# Longtime friendship goes up in (marijuana) smoke



**DEAR** ABBY

Dear Abby: I recently took a cross-country trip to visit my pregnant best friend before she gives birth. She has a new fiance and soon-to-be stepdaughter I hadn't met before. She is 12, and we enjoyed some outdoor activities together.

I have a marijuana vape pen I smoke occasionally to relieve nausea and anxiety. We both live in states where it is legal. While we were outside, I discreetly hit my vape pen. The stepdaughter noticed and later asked my friend if I was smoking weed.

My best friend proceeded to get extremely mad at me for doing it in the presence of the girl, and she no longer wants to be my

I have apologized profusely. I have little experience with kids, and now I'm scared that I have lost my best friend, who refuses to speak to me.

Abby, was what I did a friendship-breaker? Was I so in the wrong, or is my friend being extreme and overreacting? -Former Friend in Oregon

Dear Friend: Your friend is not being extreme or overreacting. You vaped in front of the child she is going to be responsible for. Underage children should not use marijuana because it can negatively affect their still-developing brains. Your friend may have ended the friendship because she wants to teach the girl by example to avoid people who do this.

What you did showed extremely poor judgment, and I don't blame her.

Dear Abby: I dated a man for a year and eight months. It seemed to be going great. The relationship took a turn around the eight-month mark. I realized through thorough observation (we lived together) that he was a textbook narcissist. He responded just like my research showed he would. He claims he has no mental issues, but I learned a lot from this relationship about narcissism and how to recognize abuse.

Narcissism is real, but most people don't know much about the signs and difficult behavior. As a result of the relationship, I am now in therapy. My question is, how (when I'm ready) do I approach the dating scene again so I don't encounter an experience like this? — Burned in Pennsylvania

**Dear Burned:** Continue working with your therapist. By the time you are finished, you will know what to look out for. You may also realize that there aren't narcissists lurking behind every bush. We form healthy relationships by getting to know people before jumping into a live-in relationship. Abusers of both sexes try to gain an advantage over their victims by chipping away at their self-esteem and making them doubt

themselves. Keep your eyes open and listen to your intuition, and you won't subject yourself to this

kind of relationship again. Dear Abby: My wife and I have been married for 35 years. She's the best. However, for the last few years I feel like she fits our relationship in between her texting and emails, and not the other way around. Should I feel hurt or just roll with the times? — Neglected in Florida

**Dear Neglected:** Neither one. What you should do is tell your wife of 35 years that she is making you feel like No. 3 on her list of priorities. The squeaky wheel gets the grease.

### NEWS OF THE WEIRD

# Yabba dabba dispute resolved, Fred Flintstone can stay

The Associated Press

HILLSBOROUGH, California — Fred Flintstone fought the law — and he won.

Technically, the owner of the fanciful Flintstones house in a posh San Francisco suburb settled a lawsuit with the town of Hillsborough. But the agreement will allow Fred and his friends to remain.

In a yabba dabba dispute that pitted property rights against government rules that played out in international media, retired publishing mogul Florence Fang defended her colorful, bulbous-shaped house and its elaborate homage to "The Flintstones" family, featuring Stone Age sculptures inspired by the 1960s cartoon, along with aliens and other oddities.

The town, however, called the towering dinosaurs and life-size sculptures "a highly visible eyesore" and sued Fang, alleging she violated local codes when she put dinosaur sculptures in the backyard and made other landscaping changes that caused local officials to declare it a public nuisance.

An attorney for the town previously said residents are required to get a permit before installing such sculptures, regardless of the theme.

Hillsborough went to court in 2019 after Fang failed to comply with multiple stop-work orders, as well as an order to remove



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A statue of Fred Flintstone stands near the front entryway of the Flintstone House in Hillsborough, California, on Thursday, April 11, 2019. The owner of the fanciful Flintstones house in a posh San Francisco suburb settled a lawsuit with the town of Hillsborough, but the agreement will allow Fred and his friends to remain.

the features around the multimillion-dollar property with its 2,730-square-foot home. Fang counter-sued. The Daily Post in Palo Alto first reported news of the settlement on Thursday, June 24.

Mark Hudak, an attorney for Hillsborough, previously said the town prides itself on its rural, woodsy feel, and rules are in place "so neighbors don't have to look at your version of what you would like to have, and you don't have to look at

According to records, the settlement stipulates that the town will review and approve a survey of the landscaping improvements. In turn, Fang will apply for building permits. The town will also pay Fang \$125,000, and she will drop the lawsuit — which was dismissed in state court on April 27.

### **Wyoming man calls** to ask why he wasn't arrested, is arrested

GILLETTE, Wyoming – A Wyoming man who asked a sheriff's dispatcher why he hadn't been arrested soon found himself in

handcuffs. The 62-year-old man called the Campbell County Sheriff's Office on Thursday, June 24, to ask why he hadn't been arrested after deputies raided his house the previous day.

Asked why he should be arrested, the man said meth use, Undersheriff Quentin Reynolds said. The man also told a dispatcher 10 men were following him.

Nobody had raided the man's house or was planning to arrest him, Reynolds said. After the call, a deputy spotted the man driving and followed when he pulled off the road, the Gillette News Record reported.

The man allegedly told the deputy he had used methamphetamine a day and a half before and was still high. He did poorly on sobriety tests and was arrested for driving under the influence of a controlled substance.

### **Error sends dumpling** machine to wrong **Portland**

PORTLAND, Maine -Trying to fill this dumpling order left one business in a pinch: A common but costly shipping error sent a custom dumpling-making machine manufactured in China to the wrong Portland in May.

The owners of Little Brother Chinese Food, which sells frozen dump lings in Portland, Maine, ordered a custom dumpling machine in March to help them meet demand, but an emailed shipping receipt delivered the bad news, the Portland Press Herald reported Monday, June 28.

"We saw that it was headed for Tacoma, Washington, and then Portland, Oregon," Richard Lee said. "We called them and they said, 'It's already in the water. We can't do anything about it now." Lee and co-owner Claire

Guyer hired customs broker Oceanair, based in Boston, to help redirect the machine they hoped would fold some 3,000 dumplings a week for Kelly L'Heureux, vice

president of Oceanair, told the newspaper the error happens frequently - especially with smaller companies — and can be costly.

"They end up working with someone who either doesn't ship a lot, or they could ship a lot but just don't know their geography," she said.

L'Heureux was able to file a required document, the import security filing, that directed the machine to be put on a truck to Maine, not Oregon, when it landed in Tacoma, Washington.

Lee said the crosscountry shipping cost almost as much as the machine itself, though he didn't tell the newspaper what the costs were. Now that the machine has arrived, Lee and Guyer are learning to use it.

"If we're being honest, we thought the process would be like turning on a dishwasher," they wrote in an email newsletter to customers, "but it's actually more like playing an accordion."

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	HOT	HOT		
<b>TONIGHT</b>	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON
Patchy clouds and mild	Sunshine and very hot	Mostly sunny and very hot	Sunny and hot	Partly sunny and hot
Baker City 56	97 54	98 54	96 53	95 51
Comfort Index <sup>™</sup> 3	3	3	3	3
La Grande 66	99 60	97 61	93 59	95 58
Comfort Index <sup>™</sup> 2	2	3	4	3
Enterprise 62	96 60	96 62	92 60	<b>92 58</b>
Comfort Index <sup>™</sup> 3	3	3	3	3

Comfort Index takes into account how the weather will feel based on a combination of factors. A rating of 10 feels y comfortable while a rating of 0 feels very uncomfortable

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<b>TEMPERATURES</b>	<b>Baker City</b>	La Grande	Elgi			
High Tuesday	103°	107°	113			
Low Tuesday	55°	59°	60			
PRECIPITATION (inches)						
Tuesday	0.00	0.00	0.0			
Month to date	0.21	0.02	0.7			
Normal month to dat		1.50	1.7			
Year to date	2.44	5.92	14.9			
Normal year to date	5.68	9.30	13.6			

## AGRICULTURAL INFO.

HAY INFORMATION FRI	DAY
Lowest relative humidity	20%
Afternoon wind	NNW at 6 to 12 mph
Hours of sunshine	8.4
Evapotranspiration	0.33

RESERVOIR STORAGE (through midnight Wednesday)					
Phillips Reservoir	14% of capacity				
Unity Reservoir	69% of capacity				
Owyhee Reservoir	39% of capacity				
McKay Reservoir	77% of capacity				
Wallowa Lake	35% of capacity				
Thief Valley Reservoir	65% of capacity				
STREAM FLOWS (through midnight Tuesday)					

### Grande Ronde at Troy Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder 140 cfs **Burnt River near Unity**

Umatilla River near Gibbon

Powder River near Richland

Minam River at Minam

## TUESDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)	
High: 118° Hermiston	n, Ore.
Low: 32° Berthoud Pass	
Wettest: 3.73" Tamp	a, Fla.
DREGON	
High: 118° Herr	niston
Low: 51° Lak	eview
Wettest: Trace	storia

## WEATHER HISTORY

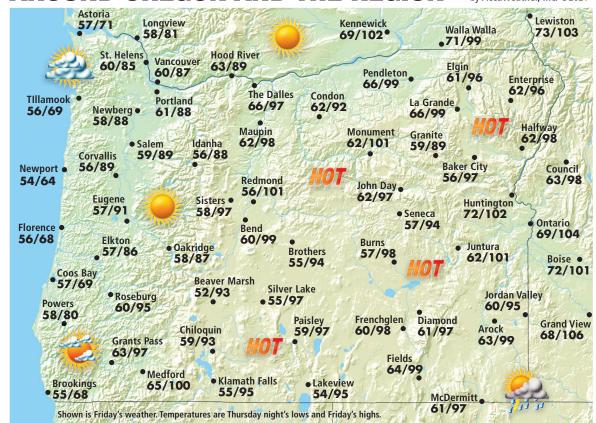
Heavy rain that started July 1, 1975, in eastern North Dakota and northwestern Minnesota caused disastrous flooding three days later on the Red River. Property damage exceeded \$1 billion.

## SUN & MOON

	THU.	FRI.			
5	:08 a.m.	5:09 a.m.			
8	3:44 p.m.	8:44 p.m.			
12	:47 a.m.	1:06 a.m.			
12	12:53 p.m.				
MOON PHASES					
New	First	Full			
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## OREGON AND THE REGION

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REGIONAL CITIES						
	FRI.	SAT.		FRI.	SAT.	
City	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	City	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	
Astoria	71/57/pc	70/57/pc	Lewiston	103/69/s	106/68/s	
Bend	99/61/s	97/58/s	Longview	81/52/s	81/54/pc	
Boise	101/70/pc	102/73/pc	Meacham	96/55/s	97/57/s	
Brookings	68/55/c	67/54/pc	Medford	100/68/pc	101/65/s	
Burns	98/59/pc	97/57/s	Newport	64/55/pc	63/54/pc	
Coos Bay	69/56/s	69/56/s	Olympia	84/53/s	84/54/pc	
Corvallis	89/56/s	89/55/s	Ontario	104/72/s	105/70/pc	
Council	98/61/s	98/64/pc	Pasco	102/64/s	102/66/s	
Elgin	96/62/s	97/60/s	Pendleton	99/66/s	98/68/s	
Eugene	91/57/s	95/55/s	Portland	88/61/s	91/58/pc	
Hermiston	100/70/s	101/71/s	Powers	80/56/pc	83/54/s	
Hood River	89/66/s	94/64/pc	Redmond	101/54/s	99/53/s	
Imnaha	100/60/s	100/60/pc	Roseburg	95/62/s	95/59/s	
John Day	97/60/s	97/59/s	Salem	89/60/s	92/57/pc	
Joseph	95/60/s	95/62/pc	Spokane	95/69/s	96/68/s	
Kennewick	102/66/s	101/68/s	The Dalles	97/66/s	99/67/pc	
Klamath Falls	95/60/pc	97/59/s	Ukiah	92/56/s	92/51/s	
Lakeview	95/59/pc	94/55/s	Walla Walla	99/72/s	98/71/s	

Weather(W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain,

## DAY

	RECREATION	<b>FORE</b>	CAST FR	RIDAY
w	ANTHONY LAKES Mostly sunny; warm	SHIP IN	PHILLIPS   Very warm	LAKE
3/s pc	<b>70 54</b>	4	90	<b>55</b>
7/s 5/s	MT. EMILY REC. Warm with sunshine	SHIP IN THE REAL PROPERTY.	BROWNLE Partly sunny	
pc pc pc	<b>81 61</b>	The same	99	66
5/s 3/s	<b>EAGLE CAP WILD.</b> Mostly sunny; warm	SHIP IN THE	EMIGRANT Sunny and v	
pc 4/s	<b>78 51</b>	1	<b>87</b>	<b>50</b>
3/s 9/s	WALLOWA LAKE Sunny and very hot	UOT	MCKAY RE Sunny and v	

THIEF VALLEY RES.

Very hot

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**RED BRIDGE ST. PARK** 

Sunny and very hot