

Selfish bride wonders if she's being selfish



DEAR ABBY
ADVICE

DEAR ABBY: I am being married to the love of my life. Aside from my soon-to-be husband, the most important participant in our wedding will be my 70-year-old father, whom I adore. Dad has been dating a woman, "Mary," on and off since my parents' divorce 25 years ago. Mary has always had health issues (lupus, kidney disease, alcoholism, etc.), so she rarely attends family functions. Dad is in excellent health, enjoys the outdoors and is

very involved in his children's and grandchildren's lives. Recently, Dad has been spending the majority of his time taking care of sickly Mary, including spending six weeks in a distant city while she underwent surgery and recovery. My siblings and I feel Dad deserves someone who can enjoy life and participate in similar activities, but we acknowledge this is the person he has chosen to be with. Mary will be attending my wedding as my father's guest. If she's feeling ill, tired, or too weak to withstand the festivities, I am terrified Dad will make an early exit to take her back to the hotel. I would be devastated if he

missed out on celebrating the most important day of my life. I also do not want her in the wedding photos, which is a whole other issue. Am I being a selfish Bridezilla, or should I voice my concerns to my father prior to the big day? — **APPREHENSIVE DADDY'S GIRL**
DEAR DADDY'S GIRL: Have you not learned by now that you cannot control what another person does? I'm sure your father would love to spend every moment of your special day with you, but there are other priorities to consider. Mary, whose health is poor, is making every effort to be there to honor you. If it becomes too much for her, what would you

have your father do — call 911 and let the paramedics haul her off? In the interest of family harmony, please grow up and stop obsessing because, to say the least, it is unbecoming. As to the wedding photos, if you don't want her in the pictures, pose her on the END, so you can crop her out of them if you wish.
DEAR ABBY: I have a question about office etiquette. My job requires that I meet with many vendors and salespeople, as well as hold informal meetings with other staff and upper management in my office. My question: When welcoming people into "my space," should I wait for them to be seated

or, as this is my home turf, can I just go ahead and sit and then wait for them to get comfortable? I have attempted to gauge my actions on other staff, but it hasn't helped, as each seems to have their own agenda. Until now I have played it by ear, but a definitive answer would be appreciated. — **TRYING TO SET A GOOD EXAMPLE**
DEAR TRYING: If I am escorting people into my office, we usually seat ourselves at the same time. If you are with a client, say "Please, have a seat," and wait for that person to get comfortable. When you're with co-workers, it isn't necessary to stand — or sit — on ceremony.

Juvenile spring chinook brought back to creeks on Nez Perce Reservation

By ERIC BARKER
Lewiston Tribune

LEWISTON, Idaho — Juvenile spring chinook are swimming in Sweetwater and Lapwai creeks on the Nez Perce Reservation for the first time in nearly a century.

Soon the young fish, released by the Nez Perce Tribe on March 9, will begin their migration to the Pacific Ocean and within two years some of them can be expected to return as adults and provide fishing opportunity to tribal and nontribal anglers, broodstock for future hatchery production and some natural spawning as well.

The roughly 200,000 smolts were produced at Dworshak National Fish Hatchery and raised at the Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery under the Lower Snake River Mitigation program that was established to replace salmon killed by the four federal dams between Lewiston, Idaho, and the Tri-Cities. The release was made possible by years of cooperative work between the tribe, the Lewiston Orchards Irrigation District and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation that has turned Sweetwater Creek in particular into a more hospitable environment for fish.

Since its inception in the early 1900s, the irrigation district has tapped the headwaters of Webb, Sweetwater and other creeks on Craig Mountain south of Lewiston and delivered water used to irrigate pastures, orchards and now mostly lawns in the Lewiston Orchards.

But it also meant the



Nez Perce tribal elder Charles Axtell, left, NPTEC Vice-Chairman Shannon Wheeler and NPTEC Treasurer Casey Mitchell sing ceremonially on Wednesday, March 9, 2022, before releasing thousands of juvenile spring chinook into Sweetwater Creek near Webb.

creeks, home to Endangered Species Act protected fish like steelhead, ran low and hot in the summer months.

In 2010, the tribe sued multiple federal agencies seeking to return water to the creeks. Negotiations between the parties and other stakeholders yielded a settlement centered on drilling a series of deep aquifer wells in the Orchards. Each time a new well comes online, an amount of water equal to its

output is allowed to stay in the creeks.

David Johnson, director of the tribe's Department of Fisheries Resources Management, said the exchange increased flows in Sweetwater Creek from a range of 0 to 3.5 cubic feet per second in summer months to a range of 3.5 cfs to 12.5 cfs. The tribe has also worked to improve habitat through various rehabilitation projects such as reconnecting the creek to its floodplain and planting veg-

etation along its banks.

The water provides better habitat for threatened steelhead and the opportunity for the reestablishment of spring chinook.

"Sweetwater Creek has been an important area for the tribe for generations because it's a cooler source of water because of its origins up there on Waha Lake," Johnson said.

Spring chinook were extirpated from the Clearwater Basin with the construction of the Lewiston



Members of the Nez Perce Tribe watch as thousands of juvenile spring chinook are released on Wednesday, March 9, 2022, into Sweetwater Creek near Webb.



Members of the Nez Perce Tribe pose for a photo in front of the tribe's hatchery truck on Wednesday, March 9, 2022, after releasing thousands of juvenile spring chinook into Sweetwater Creek near Webb.

Dam in 1927. When the dam was removed in the 1970s, a hatchery spring chinook program was established in the basin.

The juvenile chinook have had their adipose fins removed, said Scott Keller, manager of the Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery. The fin removal identifies them as being of hatchery origin and available for harvest when they return as adults.

Johnson said tribal fisheries workers will be able to collect fish for hatchery spawning at a weir near the

mouth of Lapwai Creek and tribal members will be able to fish for spring chinook in Lapwai and Sweetwater creeks.

"We want to make sure we get the brood but we are looking forward to have an opportunity to fish right here in the heart of the reservation," he said.

The fish will also be available to nontribal anglers as they pass through the lower Clearwater River.

Chinook that escape the fishery will be able to spawn in the creeks.

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	TONIGHT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
	Partly cloudy	Mostly cloudy and mild	A morning shower; cooler	Nice with clouds and sun	Occasional morning rain
Baker City	40	70 42	59 40	60 35	57 30
Comfort Index™	10	10	6	8	7
La Grande	44	71 44	57 40	61 40	56 32
Comfort Index™	10	10	5	9	3
Enterprise	42	70 41	53 39	58 34	52 35
Comfort Index™	10	10	4	9	3

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

ALMANAC			
TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Thursday	63°	62°	66°
Low Thursday	32°	38°	37°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Thursday	0.00	0.00	Trace
Month to date	0.06	0.48	1.60
Normal month to date	0.57	1.32	1.74
Year to date	0.45	2.35	7.15
Normal year to date	1.86	4.22	7.35

AGRICULTURAL INFO.			
HAY INFORMATION SUNDAY			
Lowest relative humidity			35%
Afternoon wind	SSE at 7 to 14 mph		
Hours of sunshine			3.6
Evapotranspiration			0.12

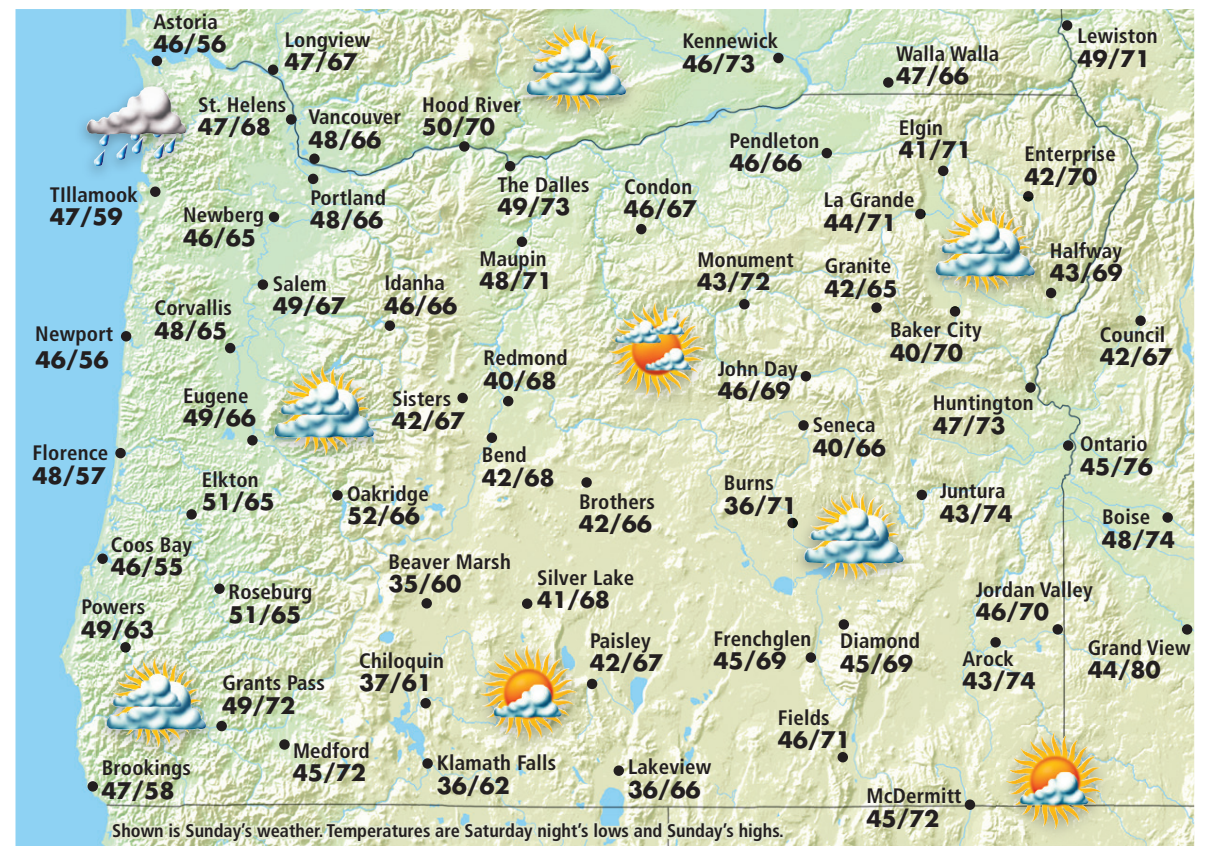
RESERVOIR STORAGE (through midnight Friday)			
Phillips Reservoir	8%	of capacity	
Unity Reservoir	52%	of capacity	
Owyhee Reservoir	33%	of capacity	
McKay Reservoir	66%	of capacity	
Wallowa Lake	34%	of capacity	
Thief Valley Reservoir	86%	of capacity	
STREAM FLOWS (through midnight Thursday)			
Grande Ronde at Troy	5370	cfs	
Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder	1	cfs	
Burnt River near Unity	8	cfs	
Umatilla River near Gibbon	702	cfs	
Minam River at Minam	386	cfs	
Powder River near Richland	69	cfs	

THURSDAY EXTREMES			
NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)			
High: 96°	Death Valley, Calif.		
Low: -5°	Gould, Colo.		
Wettest: 4.27"	Rosman, N.C.		
OREGON			
High: 75°	Medford		
Low: 21°	Klamath Falls		
Wettest: 0.04"	Florence		

WEATHER HISTORY			
On March 26, 1660, John Hull of Boston recorded a snowstorm that was the worst of the year. New England colonists learned that wintry weather could last into spring.			

SUN & MOON			
SAT.			
Sunrise	6:44 a.m.	6:43 a.m.	
Sunset	7:12 p.m.	7:14 p.m.	
SUN.			
Sunrise	6:44 a.m.	6:43 a.m.	
Sunset	7:12 p.m.	7:14 p.m.	
Moonrise	4:14 a.m.	4:58 a.m.	
Moonset	12:41 p.m.	1:57 p.m.	
MOON PHASES			
New	First	Full	Last
Mar 31	Apr 8	Apr 16	Apr 23

AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION



REGIONAL CITIES					
City	SUN. HI/Lo/W	MON. HI/Lo/W	City	SUN. HI/Lo/W	MON. HI/Lo/W
Astoria	56/46/c	54/41/c	Lewiston	71/52/c	62/46/c
Bend	68/46/c	57/36/sh	Longview	67/48/c	58/45/c
Boise	74/49/pc	62/43/c	Meacham	69/45/c	57/38/sh
Brookings	58/48/c	58/44/pc	Medford	72/47/c	57/40/c
Burns	71/39/c	58/35/pc	Newport	56/44/c	50/42/pc
Coos Bay	55/45/c	53/43/c	Olympia	63/46/c	57/41/sh
Corvallis	65/47/c	58/40/c	Ontario	76/49/c	66/46/sh
Council	67/43/c	54/42/sh	Pasco	72/51/c	72/44/pc
Elgin	71/43/c	57/37/r	Pendleton	66/48/c	64/44/sh
Eugene	66/49/c	61/42/sh	Portland	66/50/c	59/45/pc
Hermiston	74/51/c	72/45/sh	Powers	63/50/c	55/43/c
Hood River	70/51/c	65/45/sh	Redmond	68/43/c	60/34/pc
Imnaha	73/48/c	55/45/sh	Roseburg	65/50/c	59/44/c
John Day	69/43/c	59/38/sh	Salem	67/50/c	60/43/pc
Joseph	69/43/c	53/40/r	Spokane	63/45/c	61/39/c
Kennewick	73/51/c	73/44/sh	The Dalles	73/52/c	68/45/sh
Klamath Falls	62/38/c	55/29/pc	Ukiah	68/42/c	57/34/sh
Lakeview	66/38/c	55/34/sh	Walla Walla	66/51/c	64/46/sh

RECREATION FORECAST SUNDAY			
ANTHONY LAKES	Mainly cloudy	46 29	
MT. EMILY REC.	Mostly cloudy	56 39	
EAGLE CAP WILD.	Mainly cloudy	53 34	
WALLOWA LAKE	Mostly cloudy	69 43	
THIEF VALLEY RES.	Mostly cloudy	70 42	
PHILLIPS LAKE	Mainly cloudy	68 42	
BROWNLEE RES.	Mostly cloudy	72 47	
EMIGRANT ST. PARK	Mostly cloudy	64 40	
MCKAY RESERVOIR	Mostly cloudy	66 48	
RED BRIDGE ST. PARK	Mostly cloudy	71 44	

Weather(W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice