

There's plenty to chew on after dinner with in-laws



DEAR ABBY: I once hosted a holiday dinner for which I had made a ham and a turkey with all the sides and three different pies. I even made a special mince pie for one of the guests. The guests — my brothers-in-law, my brother and his family of four and his mother-in-law — all showed up carrying empty Tupperware. At the end of the day, all I had left was dirty dishes.

The same family then invited me and my husband for a holiday dinner. My husband wasn't

feeling well and couldn't go. When I asked my sister-in-law if I could take a plate home for him, she said, "Nope! If he doesn't want to come to the house, he can't have any of the food." Yes, Abby, she was serious.

My sister-in-law cooks the meat she received as a gift from her employer, and the rest of the guests prepare the sides and desserts. I never go empty-handed. At the end of the meal, she transfers any leftovers to their own Tupperware and gives us back the cleaned bowls. If I ask for a little of something to take home, she protects her leftovers like they were her children.

What's your take on leftovers? Is asking for a little fruit salad

off limits? Is relieving your host of the burden of storing all of their leftovers out of line? Are there rules of etiquette here? — **HOPING FOR A SANDWICH LATER**

DEAR HOPING: If you would like the living, breathing definition of presumptuous guests and ungracious hosts, look no further than your in-laws' contact file. The fault, however, may not lie solely with them. If this has happened more than once and you cannot summon the courage to tell these greedy folks to put away their Tupperware and help with the dishes, you can't blame them for assuming you don't mind being imposed upon in this way.

As to the sister-in-law who

refused to allow you to bring any of her food to your sick husband, I wouldn't blame you if you chose not to grace her table again after telling her the reason why.

DEAR ABBY: I am an adopted 17-year-old high school senior, and I live with four people who all have a disability. I want to move out when I'm 18 if I am able to. I have several older brothers and sisters, but they each have a family to take care of. My oldest brother is in his 60s, and my youngest in his 40s.

I don't want to seem selfish for wanting to live independently, but I don't know how to tell them. I don't know how to tell them anything because, in the past, they haven't listened to me. If you have

any advice on how to tell them, I would be very grateful. — **NERVOUS GIRL IN NEW YORK**

DEAR NERVOUS GIRL: I wish you had mentioned when you will be turning 18, because at that point you will be legally entitled to live wherever you wish, and your parents and siblings will HAVE to "listen to you."

Because you are determined to move, it is crucial that you start preparing now. You will need to find a job so you can afford a security deposit and pay for rent, food, etc. You may also have to find roommates until you can afford a place that is all your own. A counselor at school may be able to guide you, particularly if you plan to continue your education.

MEMORIES

Continued from Page B1

The metal catch to the creel's lid is missing and a "rolled" strip of leather designed to secure the shoulder strap has worn in two. There's a small gap across the front where strands of willow have worked loose. A quick inventory of required components shows the need for 6 inches of leather to replace the worn handle, 12 inches of half-inch wide strapping for buckling the shoulder harness, and 2 feet of strap leather to secure the creel around my waist. The brass buckles have patina and can be reused.

I've fashioned several personal objects from leather: cowhide belts, deer skin moccasins, and a leather scabbard for an 8-inch hunting knife — to name a few. I once built a western-style coffee table covered with cowhide scraps; each piece carefully cut to match. Restoring Grandpa's creel to good working condition is a welcome challenge. Cut leather to proper width and length, punch holes, attach snaps and rivets. That I can do.

The first order of business is to rub a liberal amount of Neatsfoot oil into badly cracked leather trim. I order a replacement shoulder strap with correct dimensions (\$35 plus \$10 shipping) from a fly shop in Wyoming. The brass buckle and tongue piece are salvaged from the original shoulder strap and a rear handle is fashioned from a short piece of rolled cowhide. The circa 1940 metal studs still function as if new. While not muse-



Grandpa Harry's fish box rides in the backseat along with my fly rod, reel, and journal.

um-quality, Grandpa's creel is ready for action. The old fish basket is a basket of memories, a keeper of faith, a vessel of my hopes and dreams. With stream trout season soon in my headlights, I long to hike up a fern-shrouded trail, inhale the honey sweet fragrance of mock orange, and watch

butterflies flutter around a trailside seep. I want to place a Royal Coachman Bucktail (Grandpa Harry's favorite pattern) where moss-covered boulders split the rush of swift current, set the hook on a pansize "keeper," and shove it through the square opening of the creel's lid. The steady beat of the trout's

tail against inside willow weave is sure to leave a sweet fragrance to remind of days gone by.

Dennis Dauble is author of five books about fishing and fishing, including his latest, Chasing Ghost Trout. Contact him on his website DennisDaubleBooks.com.

TURKEY

Continued from Page B1

What to bring on the hunt

ODFW has a list of suggested gear for turkey hunters on its website — <https://myodfw.com/learn/collection/how-to-hunt-wild-turkey-in-oregon/skill/turkey-hunting-in-oregon>.

- A face mask or camouflage face paint. Turkeys have keen eyesight so you'll want to cover your entire face and neck with something camouflage that's comfortable to wear. Bowhunters often prefer camo face paint that won't get hung up in the bow string like some masks can.
- Gloves or camouflage paint for your hands. Same reason as above.
- Something to sit on. It could be a simple pad if you're shotgun hunting from in front of a tree, to a small stool if you're bowhunting from a ground blind.
- A ground blind to help hide any movement that might spook a turkey. Ground blinds are almost essential for beginning bowhunters. It's hard to draw back a bow without moving at least a little. At the same time, shotgun hunters also will enjoy the comfort and effectiveness of hunting from a ground blind.
- A pair of binoculars to spot turkeys, and to measure the length of their beards. Binoculars also can help you study the terrain and plan your next move.
- A rangefinder, if you're a bowhunter. When it comes to accuracy, knowing the distance to your target is critical. A decent rangefinder should be at the top of any

bowhunter's check list.

- Proper clothing. This includes clothing appropriate for the weather, and a camouflage pattern that matches the seasonal vegetation, as well as comfortable, supportive boots.

Field dressing

All you need to gut a turkey is a simple pocket knife. Cut through the thin skin of the stomach from the bottom of the breastbone to the anus. Keep your cut shallow to avoid cutting into the internal organs. Open the body cavity by pulling the legs and thighs back and away from the breast muscles.

Next, grab the gizzard and remove it followed by a handful of other organs. Be sure to remove every bit of the lungs. They sit against the back, beneath a subcutaneous tissue that holds them tightly against the ribs and spine. You'll need to use your fingertip or fingernail to get between the ribs and under the lungs, so you can fully remove them.

Remove the heart and lower intestinal tract. If you want to save the heart, liver and gizzard put them in a sealable bag and get them in a cooler. Last, remove the trachea and esophagus. You might need to give them a good yank.

Once the body cavity is empty, let it air dry. Don't rinse it with water as that will promote bacteria growth. If you need to rinse away some blood, be sure to blot the turkey dry when you're done.

If you want to do any further butchering in the field, Oregon bird hunting regulations require at least the head or one fully-feathered wing remain attached to the turkey while in field or during transport.

AccuWeather | Go to AccuWeather.com

weather

	TONIGHT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
	Mostly clear and cold	Mostly cloudy and milder	A couple of showers	Winds gradually subsiding	Partly sunny and milder
Baker City	26	58 36	54 30	47 23	54 28
Comfort Index™	3	8	1	0	5
La Grande	32	60 37	51 34	45 27	59 35
Comfort Index™	5	8	0	0	10
Enterprise	27	56 31	51 31	40 26	53 35
Comfort Index™	2	6	0	0	9

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.

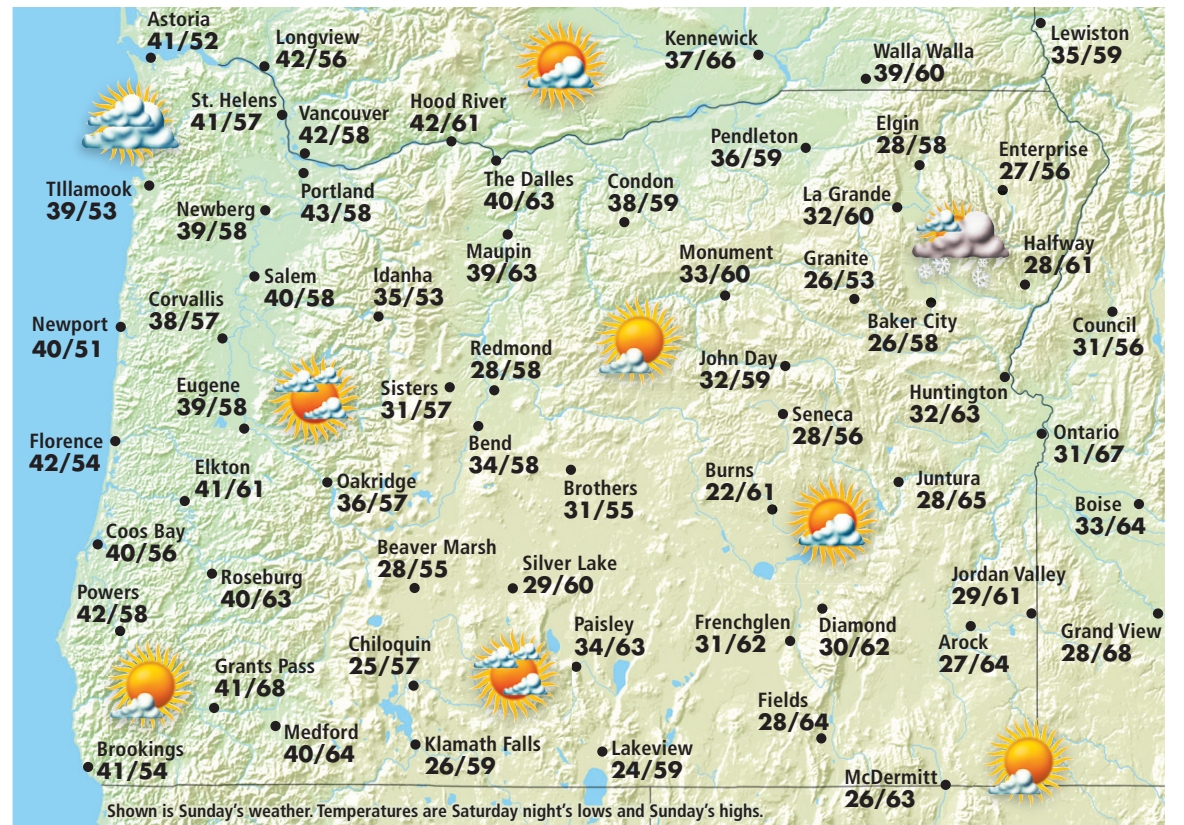
ALMANAC	TEMPERATURES			THURSDAY EXTREMES	
High Thursday	49°	49°	49°	High: 94°	Zapata, Texas
Low Thursday	24°	26°	31°	Low: 5°	Angel Fire, N.M.
Wettest: 2.56"					Stumpy Point, S.C.
PRECIPITATION (inches)				High: 63°	The Dalles
Thursday	0.00	0.00	0.00	Low: 18°	Klamath Falls
Month to date	0.28	0.51	1.64	Wettest: 0.09"	Scappoose
Normal month to date	0.77	1.72	2.25		
Year to date	0.67	2.38	7.19		
Normal year to date	2.06	4.62	7.86		

AGRICULTURAL INFO.	WEATHER HISTORY
HAY INFORMATION SUNDAY	Eleven inches of snow fell at Boston Commons on April 2, 1887. Another 4 inches accumulated on April 18 that same year, making it the largest April snowfall in Boston, in the history of modern record-keeping.
Lowest relative humidity	30%
Afternoon wind	WSW at 7 to 14 mph
Hours of sunshine	6.0
Evapotranspiration	0.10

RESERVOIR STORAGE (through midnight Friday)	SUN & MOON
Phillips Reservoir	10% of capacity
Unity Reservoir	63% of capacity
Onyhee Reservoir	40% of capacity
McKay Reservoir	71% of capacity
Wallowa Lake	37% of capacity
Thief Valley Reservoir	92% of capacity
STREAM FLOWS (through midnight Thursday)	
Grande Ronde at Troy	4690 cfs
Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder	1 cfs
Burnt River near Unity	3 cfs
Umatilla River near Gibbon	479 cfs
Minam River at Minam	444 cfs
Powder River near Richland	107 cfs

AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION

Forecasts and graphics provided by AccuWeather, Inc. ©2022



REGIONAL CITIES		RECREATION FORECAST SUNDAY	
City	SUN. HI/Lo/W	City	SUN. HI/Lo/W
Astoria	52/46/r	Lewiston	59/44/c
Bend	58/42/c	Longview	56/47/sh
Boise	64/38/pc	Meacham	56/36/c
Brookings	54/45/pc	Medford	64/46/c
Burns	61/33/pc	Newport	51/45/sh
Coos Bay	56/50/c	Olympia	52/45/sh
Corvallis	57/49/c	Ontario	67/40/pc
Council	56/34/pc	Pasco	66/47/c
Elgin	58/35/c	Pendleton	59/41/pc
Eugene	58/51/c	Portland	58/50/c
Hermiston	66/45/c	Powers	58/50/c
Hood River	61/50/c	Redmond	58/40/c
Imnaha	59/41/c	Roseburg	63/51/c
John Day	59/38/pc	Salem	58/50/c
Joseph	56/33/pc	Spokane	54/40/c
Kennewick	66/48/c	The Dalles	63/51/c
Klamath Falls	59/33/pc	Ukiah	55/36/c
Lakeview	59/34/pc	Walla Walla	60/44/c
		Walla Walla	60/44/c
		McDermitt	26/63

ANTHONY LAKES		PHILLIPS LAKE	
Mostly cloudy	33 22	Mostly cloudy	57 33
MT. EMILY REC.		BROWNLEE RES.	
Mostly cloudy	42 33	Mainly cloudy	62 36
EAGLE CAP WILD.		EMIGRANT ST. PARK	
Mostly cloudy	41 26	Partly sunny	49 33
WALLOWA LAKE		MCKAY RESERVOIR	
Not as cool	56 33	Periods of sun	59 42
THIEF VALLEY RES.		RED BRIDGE ST. PARK	
Mostly cloudy	58 36	Milder	60 37

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