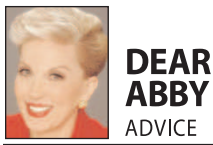


Woman faces uncertainty in marriage, health and future



DEAR ABBY
ADVICE

for support. Could I be even more lonely if I leave? The thought of divorce feels overwhelming, but I feel like life is passing me by. Hoping you can point me in the right direction. — **LIVING IN LIMBO IN MISSOURI**

DEAR LIVING: I wish you had mentioned what it was nine years ago that created a rift between you and your husband. If it was your diagnosis, it is truly regrettable. In the interim, have you tried talking about this with a marriage and family therapist? If the answer is no, you should.

I am concerned about the degree of isolation you are feeling. The National Multiple Sclerosis Society (nationalmssociety.org) offers virtual and

in-person support groups that might benefit you greatly. Divorcing one's spouse is not a guarantee that one's loneliness will end, as many divorced women and men can attest. The National MS Society may be able to provide what you need right now.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are expecting our first child. We are over the moon about it, and have lots of support from family and friends near and far. My husband's family lives in another state and would need to fly to visit us. His parents are separated, and elderly.

I love his mother dearly, but I have an issue with her best friend, "Myra." Myra has always

been passive-aggressive. She makes things difficult and makes rude, snide comments. My mother-in-law plans to travel to meet our new baby, but she wants Myra to be her travel companion.

Abby, after the stress and exhaustion of delivering a baby and any postpartum aftermath, plus the desire to keep our circle small due to COVID, I do not want to see Myra in the first few months after delivery. I have no issues with my mother-in-law, and don't want to prohibit her from seeing her new grandbaby. But she refuses to travel alone. Am I going too far in saying I won't be up for visiting with her snide best friend? — **PREGNANT IN PENNSYLVANIA**

DEAR PREGNANT: I don't think you are going too far. You have the right to control who comes into your home. Tell your mother-in-law you would welcome her coming to see the new baby, but that Myra is not welcome in your home and will have to make other plans while Grandma is visiting your infant.

If she asks why, tell her the truth — that Myra is negative and snide, and you don't want to be exposed to that while you are in a vulnerable state. If she can't agree to your wishes, tell her you and her son will visit her when the baby is older, but you will make sure she has plenty of pictures and videos in the meantime.

NORTHEASTERN OREGON FISHING FORECAST

Fishing action in Oregon starting to pick up

SALEM — The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife reports improving fishing conditions in several places around Northeastern Oregon.

The agency has also started stocking rainbow trout in several ponds and reservoirs.

Imnaha River

Steelhead fishing is open through April 30. Both bait drifted near the bottom and jigs fished under bobbers can be effective means of catching steelhead on the Imnaha. After rain or periods of warm weather, flows may increase and fishing may be more difficult. Hatchery steelhead smolts have been recently released, and anglers may catch some of these fish as they migrate downstream through the river, especially if they are using bait.

Anglers are reminded that bull trout may be encountered in the fishery and must be released unharmed. Anglers that hike down the Imnaha River and fish for steelhead in the Snake River must use barbless hooks when fishing for steelhead in the Snake River. Additionally, anglers fishing for steelhead in the Snake River need to be aware that the daily limit for steelhead in the Snake River is two hatchery steelhead this spring.

Grande Ronde River

Anglers can fish for hatchery steelhead on the Grande Ronde through the



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Morgan Lake opened for fishing on Friday, April 22, 2022.

end of the season on April 30. However, fishing may be difficult during periods of elevated flows.

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Umatilla River

Due to very poor predicted returns, retention of steelhead on the Umatilla River between the Highway 730 bridge and Three Mile Falls Dam (TMDF) will be closed through April 30, 2022. From TMDF to the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation boundary is open for fishing and retention of steelhead. There has been

a total of 1,133 steelhead counted at TMFD up to date for the run year, with an average of five fish per day over the past week.

The spring chinook season opened April 15. There is a predicted run of approximately 3,000 spring chinook returning to the Umatilla River. A total of 12 spring chinook have been counted at TMFD so far this run year. Fishing was slow for opening weekend, but there were anglers out trying to take advantage of the early fish. The flows in the Umatilla have come up in the last few days from the rain and anglers should start see fish moving because of this. Anglers should start to find

success as the clarity of the river improves and the river starts to drop. Most anglers use egg set up with a slinky weigh bounced off the bottom.

Trout fishing on the Umatilla River, and its tributaries, is closed currently and reopens May 22. Bass and other warmwater species remain open all year.

Wallowa River

Steelhead fishing is open through April 30. Additionally, fishing for trout and whitefish can be good in the spring. Fishing conditions will be best when flows are lower, and fishing may be more difficult when the weather warms and the river rises.

Wallowa County ponds

Fish at Kinney Lake that overwintered will be available to shore anglers and anglers in nonmotorized boats (motors are not allowed on Kinney Lake). Kinney Lake and ponds throughout the county will be stocked with rainbow trout over the next couple months.

Wallowa Lake

Fishing has been good for rainbow trout near the south end of the lake. Anglers have had success using both flies and lures. Anglers can have good success wading out from shore and casting lures or flies near where fish are rising. Boat anglers will have better access to more of the lake and may find fish near areas where the depth drops off.

Brownlee Reservoir

Reservoir is 24 feet below full pool, and all boat ramps are usable except Spring Recreation Site at the upper end of the reservoir near Huntington. Anglers in the Powder River arm have recently had good catches of bass, and trout have been caught from shore with bait. There also have been some perch caught, and catfish are available.

Oxbow Reservoir

Anglers have been successful catching bass, and bass fishing will likely improve throughout the year as the water temperature increases. Trout fishing will probably be good in the coming months especially

when water temperatures are in the low 50s.

Unity Reservoir

Reservoir is nearly full, and anglers have been successful catching 16- to 17-inch rainbow trout. Fishing from shore with bait has been a good technique, and fishing from a boat will probably also be a good way to fish the reservoir.

Thief Valley Reservoir

Reservoir is nearly full. The reservoir drained significantly last year, and there may not be many fish that survived through the fall and winter. However, the reservoir has recently been stocked with rainbow trout.

Phillips Reservoir

It will be stocked with trout throughout the spring. Fishing has been slow, and the reservoir is still very low, about 10% of capacity. The water has now reached the bottom of the Mason Dam boat ramp. There probably is enough water to launch small boats, but large boats may need a bit more water before they can use the boat ramp.

Remember that tiger musky and bull trout must be released unharmed.

Trout stocking schedule

Waterbodies slated to be stocked with rainbow trout this week include the Highway 203 Pond near Baker City, Murray Reservoir near Unity, Phillips Reservoir and Bully Creek Reservoir.

weather

TONIGHT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
Clear to partly cloudy	Partly sunny and milder	Cloudy with a few showers	Rain tapering off	Cloudy and cool
Baker City 27 Comfort Index™ 3	63 35 10	64 42 8	53 32 0	55 33 2
La Grande 33 Comfort Index™ 10	65 39 10	64 44 7	51 35 0	53 34 3
Enterprise 30 Comfort Index™ 6	61 36 10	61 41 8	49 35 0	50 31 2

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.

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TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Thursday	50°	50°	59°
Low Thursday	30°	33°	37°
PRECIPITATION (inches)	0.15	Trace	0.06
Month to date	0.77	0.66	2.43
Normal month to date	0.55	1.24	1.73
Year to date	1.44	3.04	9.62
Normal year to date	2.61	5.86	9.59

AGRICULTURAL INFO.

HAY INFORMATION SUNDAY

Lowest relative humidity	30%
Afternoon wind	SSE at 6 to 12 mph
Hours of sunshine	7.5
Evapotranspiration	0.16

RESERVOIR STORAGE (through midnight Friday)

Phillips Reservoir	10% of capacity
Unity Reservoir	76% of capacity
Owyhee Reservoir	45% of capacity
McKay Reservoir	81% of capacity
Wallowa Lake	44% of capacity
Thief Valley Reservoir	100% of capacity

STREAM FLOWS (through midnight Thursday)

Grande Ronde at Troy	3150 cfs
Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder	7 cfs
Burnt River near Unity	5 cfs
Umatilla River near Gibbon	516 cfs
Minam River at Minam	367 cfs
Powder River near Richland	18 cfs

THURSDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)

High: 100° Childress, Texas
Low: 14° Saco, Mont.
Wettest: 2.89" Newport, Ark.

OREGON

High: 66° The Dalles
Low: 23° Crater Lake
Wettest: 0.38" Tillamook

WEATHER HISTORY

A record chill gripped northern Florida on April 23, 1993. Tallahassee plunged to 31 degrees. The previous record of 41 was set in 1940. This was also the latest freeze recorded there last century.

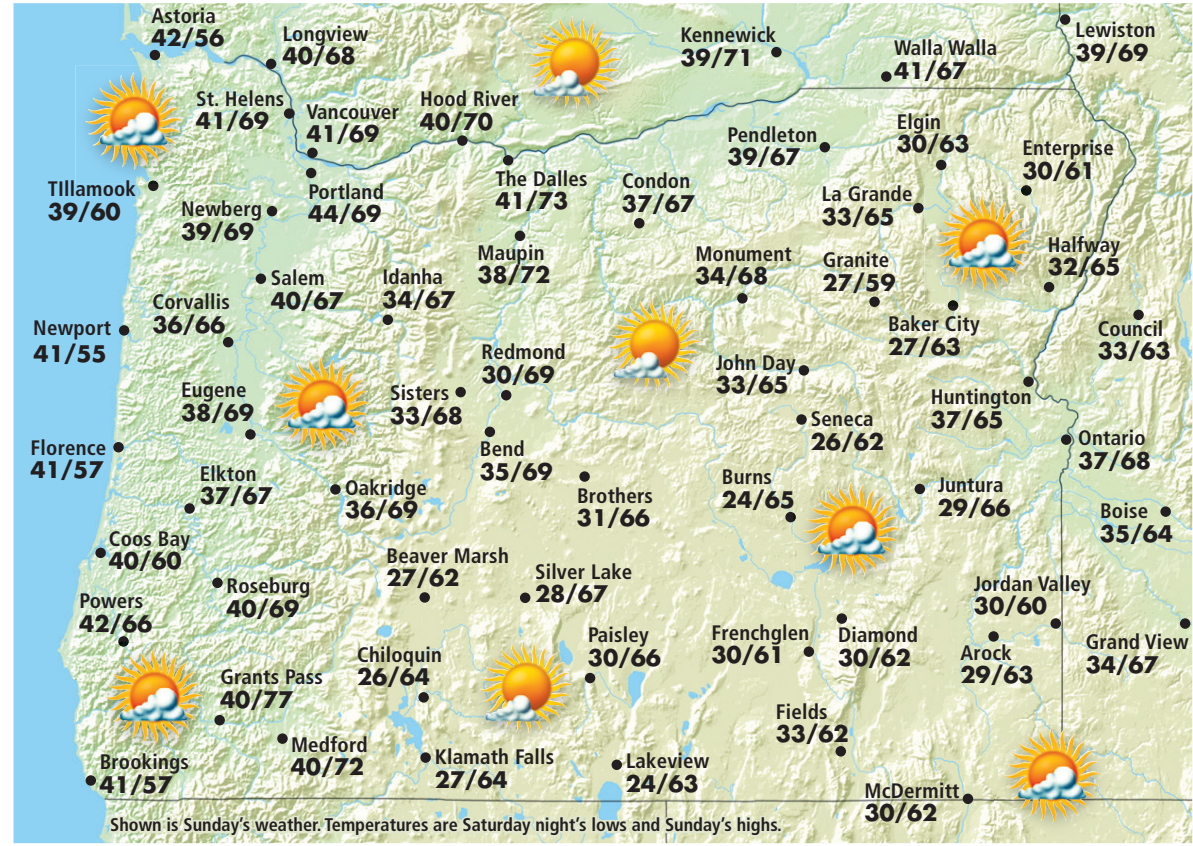
SUN & MOON

	SAT.	SUN.
Sunrise	5:54 a.m.	5:52 a.m.
Sunset	7:48 p.m.	7:50 p.m.
Moonrise	3:00 a.m.	3:37 a.m.
Moonset	11:46 a.m.	1:03 p.m.

MOON PHASES

Last	New	First	Full
Apr 23	Apr 30	May 8	May 15

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	56/45/c	54/41/c	Lewiston	69/45/s	66/49/c
Bend	69/40/pc	67/43/c	Longview	68/46/c	58/45/c
Boise	64/44/s	72/52/c	Meacham	62/36/pc	63/43/c
Brookings	57/44/pc	56/43/c	Medford	72/45/pc	68/45/c
Burns	65/34/pc	68/39/c	Newport	55/45/pc	54/43/c
Coos Bay	60/46/pc	55/43/c	Olympia	62/44/c	57/40/sh
Corvallis	66/46/pc	60/41/c	Ontario	68/40/s	73/51/c
Council	63/36/s	66/48/c	Pasco	70/45/pc	71/48/pc
Elgin	63/40/pc	64/43/sh	Pendleton	67/46/pc	64/47/c
Eugene	69/48/pc	63/42/c	Portland	69/51/pc	61/46/c
Hermiston	71/48/pc	69/51/c	Powers	66/48/pc	57/42/c
Hood River	70/50/pc	63/49/c	Redmond	69/38/pc	66/40/c
Imnaha	67/44/s	67/50/sh	Roseburg	69/47/pc	64/45/sh
John Day	65/39/pc	67/46/sh	Salem	67/47/pc	63/43/c
Joseph	60/40/s	59/44/r	Spokane	64/41/s	63/43/c
Kennewick	71/49/pc	69/50/pc	The Dalles	73/48/pc	67/49/c
Klamath Falls	64/32/pc	62/38/c	Ukiah	61/34/pc	59/41/sh
Lakeview	63/29/pc	63/37/c	Walla Walla	67/48/pc	65/46/c

RECREATION FORECAST SUNDAY

ANTHONY LAKES	PHILLIPS LAKE
Partly sunny	Partly sunny
38 32	59 34
MT. EMILY REC.	BROWNLEE RES.
Warmer	Mostly sunny
50 37	66 39
EAGLE CAP WILD.	EMIGRANT ST. PARK
Milder	Partly sunny
45 33	59 32
WALLOWA LAKE	MCKAY RESERVOIR
Mostly sunny	Partly sunny
60 40	67 44
THIEF VALLEY RES.	RED BRIDGE ST. PARK
Milder	Milder
63 35	65 39

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