

DEAR ABBY

Far-flung family makes little effort to stay in touch

Dear Abby: I am a 72-year-old divorcee. I live alone in a 55-and-older community where I have many friends and an active life.

My three adult children are ages 37 to 43. The eldest lives out of the country with my 12-year-old grandson. My other son and his wife live 2,000 miles away and have two young children, one of whom I saw once three years ago. My daughter lives with her husband an hour and a half away. I see them about twice a year.

My daughter will sometimes answer an email or text, sometimes not. My sons almost never contact me, not even on my birthday or Mother's Day. From what I understand, they have little communication with their father or each other, either.

Is this normal? It breaks my heart. This isn't how I raised them. I always encouraged them to maintain a relationship with their father and

their grandmother. Is there anything I can do? — **So Sad in the East**

Dear So Sad: I'm sorry for your heartache, and there is something you can do. Concentrate on your friends, people who are willing to return your emotional investment. You should also ignore Mother's Day, which is an emotionally loaded holiday that causes pain not only to mothers like you, but also to those who have recently lost their mothers. I think you have suffered enough, don't you?

Dear Abby: My mother-in-law, "Gladys," has never liked to shop from a gift list. She prefers to look on her own for a gift she thinks the person would like. My problem is, most of the things she buys are atrocious.

My husband and I are expecting our first child — her first grandchild — and although



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we sent her the link, she has already purchased items not on our registry. I am gracious, Abby. I thank her verbally and follow up with a note in the mail. However, we don't have enough room for all the items to use just when she visits, so I plan to quietly return or donate them.

When she's here and asks why we're not using her gifts, what do I say? I'd prefer not to lie and say something like "the dog chewed it up," nor do I want to be brutally honest and tell her I found the things she bought too ugly. — **Mom-In-Waiting**

Dear Mom-In-Waiting: Find a wide, shallow box that will fit under a bed. Select some of the "atrocious" gifts and use them when Grandma Gladys comes to visit. If she asks why you're not using all of them, explain

that because you already had some of the gifts she sent, you donated hers to a needy family who could enjoy them. (It's a diplomatic version of the truth.)

Dear Abby: I'm a single woman in my 30s, not a Mrs. and too young for Ma'am. Am I a Ms.? What do they all stand for? — **In Between M's**

Dear In Between: You qualify for "Ms.," if you wish to use it. As you know, "Miss" is the term used to denote an unmarried woman. After consciousness was raised regarding equal rights for women, some began using "Ms." in the workplace when they preferred not to reveal their marital status. Traditionally, in the South, women over 21 are called "Ma'am" as a sign of respect. Farther north it's applied to mature women, although not all of them appreciate hearing it directed at them.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Jan. 9, 1921

Declaring that he still stood squarely on his campaign slogan of "economy, a clean city and an efficient business administration of the city government," Mayor George A. Hartman Wednesday night made his inaugural address before the city council and 50 men gathered to witness the action of that body at its first meeting. The audience was hearty in its applause of the new mayor's stated policy. By the end of the week, the street department, under C.A. Crabtree, superintendent of streets, had begun cleaning up Pendleton. Old piles of junk which have reposed behind buildings for months are being ferreted out and all rubbish which can be found will be ordered removed and burned. The commissioner and his force are working in cooperation with the fire chief, for the presence of such material is not only considered unsightly but is usually a fire menace.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Jan. 9, 1971

Marine Lance Cpl. Glen C. Klein, 21, of Pendleton, died Tuesday aboard the U.S.S. Sanctuary from injuries sustained earlier that day. He received the wounds from an enemy explosive device while on a platoon size combat patrol in Quang

Nam Province, Republic of Vietnam. Klein, who had been in the Marine Corps since Sept. 8, 1969, was a member of Company L, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines, 1st Marine Division. He was born in Pendleton, attended schools here and was graduated from Pendleton High School. He attended Blue Mountain Community College for two years. He was married to June Miller on March 1, 1970, at Halfway. Survivors include the widow, in Pendleton; his father, Henry Klein, Pendleton; and two brothers, LeRoy, Pendleton, and Ronald, home on leave from the U.S. Army.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Jan. 9, 1996

An Enterprise woman's stolen pickup has been recovered thanks to her son who spied the vehicle as it was being driven through Pendleton. Tim McFetridge, 27, of Pendleton, called his mother, Gayle, in Enterprise when he saw the 1992 Chevrolet pickup being driven by a man he couldn't identify. Upon learning his mother had reported the pickup as stolen, McFetridge called Pendleton police on his cellular phone. The pickup was parked at Dairy Queen on Southwest Court Avenue. Steven D. Byerley, 27, of Lostine, was arrested on charges of motor vehicle theft, providing officers with false information and for driving with a suspended license.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

On Jan. 9, 2020, Chinese state media said a preliminary investigation into recent cases of viral pneumonia had identified the probable cause as a new type of coronavirus.

In 1788, Connecticut became the fifth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1793, Frenchman Jean Pierre Blanchard, using a hot-air balloon, flew from Philadelphia to Woodbury, New Jersey.

In 1861, Mississippi became the second state to secede from the Union, the same day the Star of the West, a merchant vessel bringing reinforcements and supplies to Federal troops at Fort Sumter, South Carolina, retreated because of artillery fire.

In 1913, Richard Milhous Nixon, the 37th president of

the United States, was born in Yorba Linda, California.

In 1916, the World War I Battle of Gallipoli ended after eight months with an Ottoman Empire victory as Allied forces withdrew.

In 1945, during World War II, American forces began landing on the shores of Lingayen Gulf in the Philippines as the Battle of Luzon got underway, resulting in an Allied victory over Imperial Japanese forces.

In 1951, the United Nations headquarters in New York officially opened.

In 1958, President Dwight D. Eisenhower, in his State of the Union address to Congress, warned of the threat of Communist imperialism.

In 1987, the White House released a January 1986

memorandum prepared for President Ronald Reagan by Lt. Col. Oliver L. North showing a link between U.S. arms sales to Iran and the release of American hostages in Lebanon.

In 2003, U.N. weapons inspectors said there was no "smoking gun" to prove Iraq had nuclear, chemical or biological weapons but they demanded that Baghdad provide private access to scientists and fresh evidence to back its claim that it had destroyed its weapons of mass destruction.

In 2009, the Illinois House voted 114-1 to impeach Gov. Rod Blagojevich, who defiantly insisted again that he had committed no crime. (The Illinois Senate unanimously voted to remove Blagojevich from office 20

days later.)

In 2015, French security forces shot and killed two al-Qaida-linked brothers suspected of carrying the rampage at the satirical newspaper Charlie Hebdo that had claimed 12 lives, the same day a gunman killed four people at a Paris kosher grocery store before being killed by police.

Today's Birthdays: Folk singer Joan Baez is 80. Rock musician Jimmy Page (Led Zeppelin) is 77. Singer Crystal Gayle is 70. Nobel Peace laureate Rigoberta Menchú is 62. Rock singer-musician Dave Matthews is 54. Actor-director Joey Lauren Adams is 53. Actor Angela Bettis is 48. Actor Omari Hardwick is 47. Roots singer-songwriter Hayes Carll is 45.

7 LITTLE WORDS

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

CLUES	SOLUTIONS
1 upholstered footrest (7)	_____
2 seat at the table (5)	_____
3 where the queen sits (6)	_____
4 comfortable seat (8)	_____
5 seat at the bar (5)	_____
6 two-person sofa (8)	_____
7 long, low seat (5)	_____

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TH	CL	STO	ER	LO
OM	CHA	OL	OTT	AT
NCH	AN	IN	RO	SE

Today's Answers: 1. OTTOMAN 2. CHAIR 3. THRONES 4. RECLINER 5. STOOL 6. LOVESEAT 7. BENCH

WORD★Roundup™

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Find and Circle...

- ___ Sea ☐☐☐☐
- Four pieces of furniture ☐☐☐☐
- Three mammals starting with C ☐☐☐
- Jane ___ ☐☐
- Two five-letter planets ☐☐

Answers to Saturday's puzzle: AEGEAN BALTIC NORTH DEAV TABLE CHAIR SOFA DESK / COYOUE COUGAR CAMEL / SEMYOUR GOODALL / VENUS EARTH

D	C	B	G	L	H	C	E	B	L	S	E
W	E	K	A	T	S	T	H	L	P	O	A
T	Y	A	R	L	O	E	A	A	R	F	R
S	A	O	D	Y	T	D	Y	L	I	A	T
U	N	B	O	R	O	I	E	M	G	R	H
N	R	C	L	O	M	M	C	U	O	N	R
E	A	E	G	E	A	N	O	D	G	U	R
V	T	H	L	C	L	C	D	E	S	K	R

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