

DEAR ABBY

High school friend oversteps bounds digging into the past

Dear Abby: Even though I have lived in a different state for many years, I've remained in touch with a female friend I'll call "Tina" from high school, mostly via text messaging. For the last 12 years, I have been in a relationship with a man who has been very good to me. We are not married and we don't live together.

When I first met him, he told me that many years ago, when he was very young, he had been involved in several barroom brawls and had been arrested more than once. He recognized that his abuse of alcohol was at the root of his problem and decided to quit drinking. Over

the years he has worked hard to turn his life around, and he hasn't been in any sort of trouble since.

I believe everyone deserves a second chance. However, I told him that if he decided to resume drinking and/or got arrested for any reason, I would have nothing further to do with him. He hasn't. I didn't share that information with Tina because it really isn't any of her business.

Unbeknownst to me, Tina decided to conduct a background

search on my boyfriend. One day, out of the blue, she sent me his "mugshot" and other details from 40 years ago, asking me if that was him. I can't believe she did that, and I feel like it was crossing the line. I can't comprehend what she hoped to accomplish. How would you advise me to handle this situation? — **Simply Stunned In Florida**



JEANNE PHILLIPS
ADVICE

Dear Stunned: I would advise you to lose your "friend" and keep the man with whom you have the relationship.

Tina was a furlong out of bounds to send you the information without first discussing it with you. She may have done it in an attempt to "warn" you, or perhaps because she's jealous. Whatever the reason, she owes you an apology — if you are still speaking to her, that is.

Dear Abby: My best friend often asks me to do errands for her, such as stop someplace and pick something up for her. It is usually close to where I live or work or on my way home. I don't always like doing it. In fact, I resent it.

An occasional favor is fine, but this happens way too often. How do I tell her "no" when it is somewhere

I have to drive right by? Once I told her I didn't think I'd have time (the truth at that moment), and she said I could do it later, when I had the time! She walks with a cane, but this started before she had mobility issues. How can I say no? — **Imposed Upon In Texas**

Dear Imposed Upon: Because you now resent your "best friend's" requests to run her errands, you will have to be honest with her. Explain that you didn't mind doing it once in a while in the beginning, but this is happening so often it is getting to you. Then "suggest" that many markets and cleaners deliver or that she use a delivery service.

DAYS GONE BY

100 years ago in the East Oregonian

At a meeting of the city council Wednesday evening, it was decided to rigidly enforce the laws relating to speeding, turning in the middle of a block, etc. Pool halls will be allowed open until 12 o'clock on Saturday nights, but must close at 11 p.m. other nights. Eraden Gerking, one of the best cowboys in the West, will make riders at the Pendleton Round-Up ride hard to take away honors from him when he comes to compete in the fall, according to Albert Peterson, president of the Camas Cowboy's Association. He is expected to win the all-around award as he did at an Idaho rodeo last month.

50 years ago in the East Oregonian

A facility that will annually convert 10,000 acres of raw potatoes into tasty French fries requires a lot of building, money and construction know-how. To handle the construction and equipment installation job in eight months also says a lot for the capability of the construction contractor and its key personnel. That's the job of Hoffman Construction Co., Portland, is doing on a Hermiston contract. Ground was broken in

April on the huge \$10 million Lamb-Weston plant in the southwest of Hermiston, and around the Fourth of July, Harvey Pruitt, general superintendent on the project for Hoffman, was predicting the plant will be completed "in the winter."

25 years ago in the East Oregonian

Ten teams will join the host team, Pendleton Swim Association, at their yearly invitational meet at the Pendleton High School pool. The meet kicks off at 5 p.m. Friday. Joining PSA in the meet is the Hermiston Swim Club, Hi-Desert Swim Club from Bend, Hood River Valley Swim Club, Milton-Free-water Valley, Mount Hood Swim Team, Oregon City Swim Team, Parkrose Swim Team, and The Dalles Swim Team. Between 350 and 425 swimmers are expected for the meet. PSA is coming off a strong performance at last weekend's Ted Walker Invitational in The Dalles where PSA's Jen Thomas earned a state-qualifying time in the 11-12-year-old 400 free-style and swam on two relay teams that also earned state-qualifying times. Hood River easily won last week's team title and will be a strong favorite again this week. Other top teams should be The Dalles and La Grande.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

In 1776, the Declaration of Independence was read aloud to Gen. George Washington's troops in New York.

In 1918, 101 people were killed in a train collision in Nashville, Tennessee. The Distinguished Service Cross was established by an Act of Congress.

In 1937, a fire at 20th Century Fox's film storage facility in Little Ferry, New Jersey, destroyed most of the studio's silent films.

In 1943, during World War II, the Allies launched Operation Husky, the invasion of Sicily.

In 1944, during World War II, American forces secured Saipan as the last Japanese defenses fell.

In 1947, the engagement of Britain's Princess Elizabeth to Lt. Philip Mountbatten was announced.

In 1965, the Sonny & Cher single "I Got You Babe" was released by ATCO Records.

In 1982, Pan Am Flight 759, a Boeing 727, crashed in Kenner, Louisiana, shortly after takeoff from New Orleans International Airport, killing all 145 people aboard and eight people on the ground.

In 2004, a Senate Intelligence Committee report concluded the CIA had provided unfounded assessments of the threat posed by

Iraq that the Bush administration had relied on to justify going to war.

In 2010, the largest U.S.-Russia spy swap since the Cold War was completed on a remote stretch of Vienna airport tarmac as planes from New York and Moscow arrived within minutes of each other with 10 Russian sleeper agents and four prisoners accused by Russia of spying for the West.

In 2015, South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley relegated the Confederate flag to the state's "relic room" after the legislature passed a measure removing the flag from the grounds of the Statehouse in the wake of the slaughter of nine African-Americans at a church Bible study.

In 2018, President Donald Trump chose Brett Kavanaugh, a solidly conservative, politically connected federal appeals court judge, for the Supreme Court to fill the seat left vacant by the retirement of Justice Anthony Kennedy. (Kavanaugh would be confirmed in October after a contentious nomination fight.)

In 2020, New York Mayor Bill de Blasio used a roller to help paint "Black Lives Matter" in front of President Donald Trump's namesake Manhattan tower. The Supreme Court ruled in favor of a New York prose-

cutor's demands for Trump's tax records.

Ten years ago: Facing sagging jobs numbers, President Barack Obama sought to recast the November election as a fight over tax fairness, urging tax cut extensions for all families earning less than \$250,000 but denying them to households making more than that. The remains of six U.S. airmen lost over Laos in 1965 were laid to rest in a single casket at Arlington National Cemetery. Detroit's Prince Fielder became only the second player, after Ken Griffey Jr., to win multiple titles in the All-Star Home Run Derby, thrilling the crowd at Kauffman Stadium with eight splash shots into the right-field fountain and beating Toronto's Jose Bautista 12-7 in the final.

Five years ago: A cease-fire arranged by the United States, Russia and Jordan took effect in three war-torn provinces of southern Syria. Iraqi Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi celebrated with Iraqi troops in Mosul after they drove Islamic State militants from some of their last strongholds.

One year ago: Relaxing its COVID-19 guidelines, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said vaccinated teachers and students did not need to wear masks

inside school buildings. The White House said President Joe Biden told Russian President Vladimir Putin in a phone call that Putin must "take action" against cybercriminals in his country, and that the U.S. reserved the right to "defend its people and its critical infrastructure" from future attacks.

Today's birthdays: Actor-singer Ed Ames is 95. Actor Richard Roundtree is 80. Author Dean Koontz is 77. Actor Chris Cooper is 71. TV personality John Tesh is 70. Country singer David Ball is 69. Business executive/TV personality Kevin O'Leary (TV: "Shark Tank") is 68. R&B singer Debbie Sledge (Sister Sledge) is 68. Actor Jimmy Smits is 67. Actor Tom Hanks is 66. Singer Marc Almond is 65. Actor Kelly McGillis is 65. Rock singer Jim Kerr (Simple Minds) is 63. Actor-rock singer Courtney Love is 58. Actor Pamela Adlon is 56. Actor Scott Grimes is 51. Actor Enrique Murciano is 49. Rock singer-musician Isaac Brock (Modest Mouse) is 47. Musician/producer Jack White is 47. Actor-director Fred Savage is 46. Actor Linda Park is 44. Actor Megan Parlen is 42. R&B singer Kiely Williams (31w) is 36. Actor Mitchel Musso is 31. Actor George Henley is 27.

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 Marge Simpson's hairstyle (7)	_____
2 Elvis' hairstyle (8)	_____
3 Princess Leia's hairstyle (4)	_____
4 Bob Marley's hairstyle (10)	_____
5 Jennifer Aniston's hairstyle (6)	_____
6 Dorothy Hamill's hairstyle (5)	_____
7 Twiggy's hairstyle (5)	_____

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Today's Answers: 1. BEEHIVE 2. DUCKTAIL 3. BUNS 4. DREADLOCKS 5. RACHEL 6. WEDGE 7. PIXIE

WORD★Roundup™

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Find and Circle...

- Four water-loving birds
- Four odd numbers
- Night _____
- Boxing _____
- Ridley Scott sci-fi movie

Answers to Saturday's puzzle: LIMB CLUB CURB DRAB CRAB FLUB / ARGENTINA CHILE PERU / STREAM RIVER CREEK / BEEF PORK / JOHNNY CASH

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Word search grid with a circled word "SWOON".

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