

New employee strives to keep gastric surgery under wraps

DEAR ABBY: I had bariatric surgery (gastric sleeve) five months ago. I left my previous job because the way I was treated by my employer and co-workers changed drastically after my procedure.

I am starting a new job soon and do not want to tell my new employer or co-workers that I have had this operation. People always treat you differently once they know. I don't know anyone at the new job, and I prefer to keep this part of my life private.

My boyfriend thinks I should tell at least HR, in case any medical issues arise while at work because then they would be able to inform medical personnel. I don't think they need to know. What do you think, Abby?



DEAR ABBY

DEAR ABBY: Our 9-year-old son makes perfect grades in school. His friends all have cellphones, and I believe he should get one also. My husband disagrees and thinks he should be a teenager first and learn more responsibility. With times changing so quickly and kids getting phones at 6 and 7 years old, am I wrong or is my husband old-fashioned in his approach?

— OLD-FASHIONED IN THE SOUTH

DEAR OLD-FASHIONED: Parents teach their children to be responsible by placing some responsibility on their shoulders. In the current landscape, it's a good idea for a child to have the ability to communicate with a parent in case of an emergency. You and your husband could give your son a flip phone so he can do that if necessary.

DEAR ABBY: I am one of those rare individuals who has no interest in music of any kind. I never listen to it, and if it's being played where I happen to be — I block it out.

I don't sing, hum, keep a beat or dance. I don't even own any CDs. I have always been this way. My former wife tolerated it because I was interested in, and well-informed about, all the other arts that didn't include music.

I am now divorced and dating again. The first thing any date or prospect wants to know is the kind of music I like, and if I like to dance. If I say I have no interest in music, I'm immediately considered a bit weird. I can't fake it, either, because I know nothing about performers, past or present, or the music they play.

What's the best way to handle this apparent negative when I want to date? I'm normal in every other way. I don't hate music; I just don't care about it one way or another. And, are there others like me?

— TUNED OUT IN AKRON, OHIO

DEAR TUNED OUT: I'm sure there are many. One way to handle your problem would be to be honest when asked about your preference in music — and quickly add, that you do enjoy the theater, movies, art exhibits, etc., and extend an invitation.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a young woman who, for years, went to my aunt and uncle's house for Thanksgiving. Every year, my aunt has made the turkey and the sides, and my uncle has done the cleanup. I appreciate their hosting every year, but I'd like to find a way to be able to help.

I have offered to clean, but my uncle insists I enjoy myself. I've brought dessert, but my aunt bakes a wonderful cake every year. I've tried to help in the kitchen, but she gently tells me to have fun. I've brought wine in previous years, but a family member struggles with drinking, so out of respect for him, I won't continue that.

I have had a lot of health issues over the years and lifelong disabilities, so it has taken me a long time to become independent. I now have my first full-time job. What's a way I could give to my family?

— THANKFUL IN FLORIDA

DEAR THANKFUL: A way to do that would be to bring your hosts a lovely flowering plant when you arrive, or alternatively, send a lovely bouquet afterward with a note of thanks. And of course, you could

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| | TONIGHT | TUE | WED | THU | FRI |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| | Clear to partly cloudy | Mostly sunny | Cloudy | Periods of sunshine | Partly sunny |
| Baker City | 15 Comfort Index™ 3 | 46 16 3 | 49 24 5 | 51 22 7 | 52 22 7 |
| La Grande | 24 Comfort Index™ 2 | 48 29 3 | 53 38 5 | 53 31 8 | 55 32 8 |
| Enterprise | 21 Comfort Index™ 5 | 48 27 5 | 52 34 7 | 51 31 8 | 52 31 8 |

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| TEMPERATURES | Baker City | La Grande | Elgin |
|------------------------|------------|-----------|-------|
| High Sunday | 45° | 43° | 46° |
| Low Sunday | 13° | 18° | 17° |
| PRECIPITATION (inches) | | | |
| Sunday | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Month to date | Trace | 0.65 | 1.80 |
| Normal month to date | 0.32 | 0.72 | 1.01 |
| Year to date | 5.24 | 13.57 | 24.87 |
| Normal year to date | 8.57 | 13.55 | 18.56 |

SUNDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)

High: 90° Immokalee, Fla.
Low: -15° West Yellowstone, Mont.
Wettest: 2.19" Henderson, Texas

OREGON

High: 70° Brookings
Low: -3° Burns
Wettest: none

WEATHER HISTORY

On Nov. 13, 1883, the Leonids Meteor Shower put on a spectacular show from midnight to dawn. Clear skies favored viewing in many parts of the country.

SUN & MOON

| | MON. | TUE. |
|----------|------------|------------|
| Sunrise | 6:46 a.m. | 6:48 a.m. |
| Sunset | 4:26 p.m. | 4:25 p.m. |
| Moonrise | 11:23 a.m. | 12:05 p.m. |
| Moonset | 8:37 p.m. | 9:33 p.m. |

MOON PHASES



AGRICULTURAL INFO.

HAY INFORMATION TUESDAY

Lowest relative humidity 35%
Afternoon wind 5 at 7 to 14 mph
Hours of sunshine 7.4
Evapotranspiration 0.07

RESERVOIR STORAGE (through midnight Sunday)

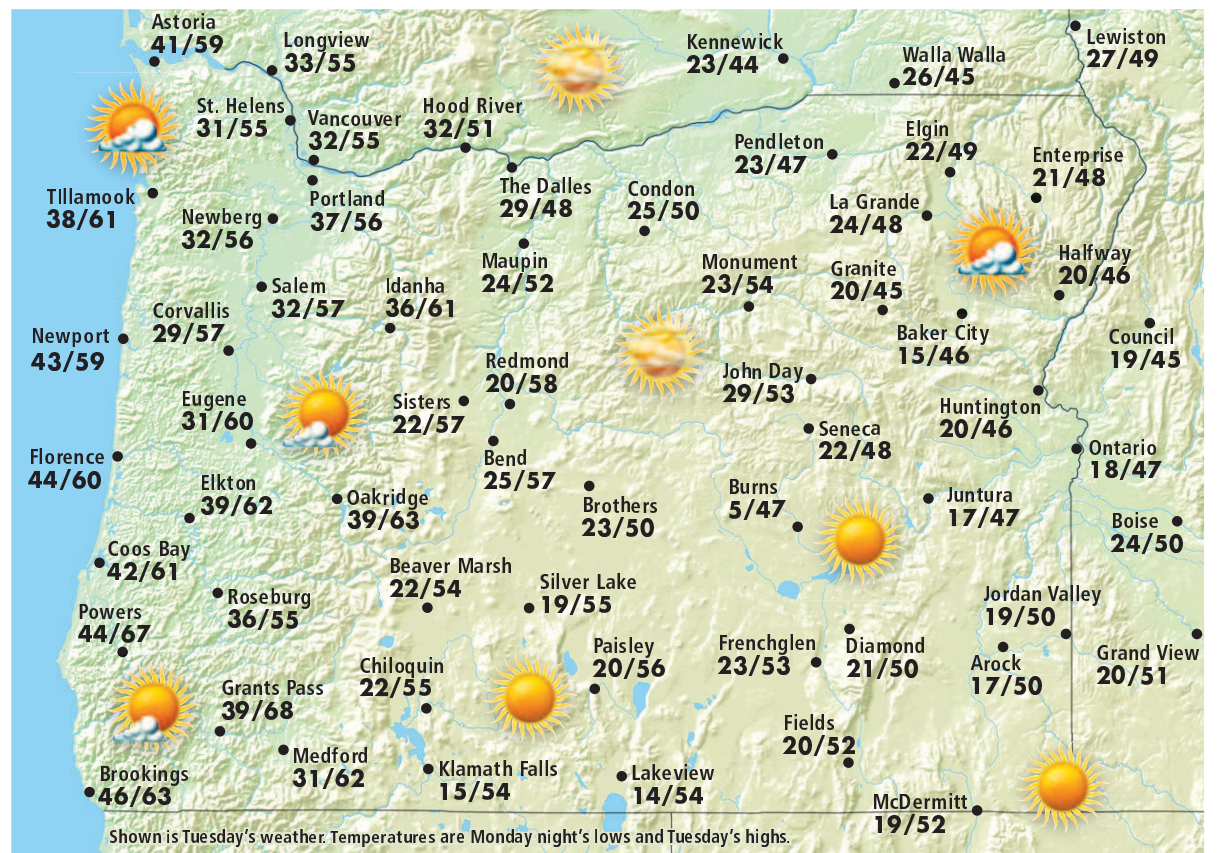
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|------------------------|-----------------|
| Phillips Reservoir | 8% of capacity |
| Unity Reservoir | 13% of capacity |
| Owyhee Reservoir | 32% of capacity |
| McKay Reservoir | 14% of capacity |
| Wallowa Lake | 9% of capacity |
| Thief Valley Reservoir | 15% of capacity |

STREAM FLOWS (through midnight Sunday)

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| Grande Ronde at Troy | 824 cfs |
| Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder | N.A. |
| Burnt River near Unity | 7 cfs |
| Umatilla River near Gibbon | 66 cfs |
| Minam River at Minam | 63 cfs |
| Powder River near Richland | 14 cfs |

AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION

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REGIONAL CITIES

| City | TUE. HI/Lo/W | WED. HI/Lo/W | City | TUE. HI/Lo/W | WED. HI/Lo/W |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Astoria | 59/49/c | 57/45/r | Lewiston | 49/30/s | 52/40/c |
| Bend | 57/31/pc | 58/31/c | Longview | 55/46/pc | 54/46/r |
| Boise | 50/27/s | 50/30/pc | Meacham | 47/27/s | 52/36/c |
| Brookings | 63/45/pc | 63/47/c | Medford | 62/31/pc | 61/36/c |
| Burns | 47/7/s | 51/12/pc | Newport | 59/48/pc | 56/48/r |
| Coos Bay | 61/45/pc | 60/46/c | Olympia | 54/43/pc | 54/43/r |
| Corvallis | 57/39/pc | 58/41/r | Ontario | 47/20/s | 49/26/c |
| Council | 45/20/s | 48/26/pc | Pasco | 43/24/s | 55/35/c |
| Elgin | 49/29/s | 52/38/c | Pendleton | 47/31/s | 57/42/r |
| Eugene | 60/36/pc | 61/42/r | Portland | 56/44/pc | 55/47/r |
| Hermiston | 44/29/s | 59/40/c | Powers | 67/44/pc | 64/44/c |
| Hood River | 51/39/pc | 56/43/r | Redmond | 58/26/pc | 59/30/c |
| Imnaha | 54/31/s | 56/36/c | Roseburg | 55/36/pc | 63/42/c |
| John Day | 53/31/s | 56/33/c | Salem | 57/42/pc | 58/46/r |
| Joseph | 48/26/s | 51/32/c | Spokane | 42/30/pc | 45/34/r |
| Kennewick | 44/29/s | 58/37/c | The Dalles | 48/33/pc | 54/41/r |
| Klamath Falls | 54/16/s | 57/20/c | Ukiah | 51/27/s | 54/34/c |
| Lakeview | 54/14/s | 57/18/pc | Walla Walla | 45/32/s | 56/44/c |

RECREATION FORECAST TUESDAY

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|---|--------------|--|---|--------------|--|
| ANTHONY LAKES Not as cold | 33 16 | | PHILLIPS LAKE Sunny | 42 16 | |
| MT. EMILY REC. Partly sunny | 38 25 | | BROWNLEE RES. Partly sunny | 47 22 | |
| EAGLE CAP WILD. Partly sunny | 33 15 | | EMIGRANT ST. PARK Partly sunny | 41 19 | |
| WALLOWA LAKE Partly sunny | 42 23 | | MCKAY RESERVOIR Sunny, but chilly | 43 24 | |
| THIEF VALLEY RES. Plenty of sun | 44 15 | | RED BRIDGE ST. PARK Partly sunny | 44 24 | |

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

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