

# Once-close sibling starts acting differently after nephew's birth

DEAR ABBY: I have always been close to my oldest brother and his wife. I'm 24 years younger than they are. In some ways, I think I was like a child to them because they were never able to have children naturally or through adoption.

Ever since I had my first child two years ago, they have become distant. They skip family occasions and don't send gifts anymore.



## DEAR ABBY

(I don't care about the material items, but they used to send me very thoughtful gifts.) My brother has gotten angry at me over how I feed my son (I don't give him sweets), and says he will no longer be around me if food is involved. He's late to return emails I send. This hurts immensely.

My brother is a straight shooter. When I asked him if I did something to offend him, he said no, but his behavior suggests otherwise. I feel like by having children, I have lost part of my family. Is there anything I can do?

—SAD SIS IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR SIS: Because your brother is a "straight shooter," get to the point and tell him you are hurt because of the change in his behavior. Then ask him to explain what's going on. Unless you know for sure what has caused it, there is nothing you can do.

from him. Should I forget about it, unless he mentions it? Even then, I'm afraid to tell him the real number.

—TORN UP IN THE EAST

DEAR TORN UP: You were entitled to have a life before you met the man you eventually married. These days, most men and women have a past, so please stop flogging yourself with guilt over yours. Your past is over. Concentrate on your present. Your husband obviously loves you exactly the way you are. Your history has made you the person you are.

DEAR ABBY: I am considering putting aside some money for my granddaughter's college education while I am able to do so. Do I need to see a lawyer for this? I just want a simple solution and need to know the best way to do it. She is 12 and wants to go to college someday. Is setting up a private bank account just for her a good idea? I really need some help in doing it the right way.

—SUPPORTIVE GRANDMA IN ARIZONA

DEAR GRANDMA: This is a question you should direct to your financial adviser or the manager of your bank. Setting up an education savings account is an excellent idea, and you are a generous and loving grandparent to want to do it.

DEAR ABBY: I have been married for two years and everything is great. We rarely fight. The only thing that's bothering me is my husband has never asked me about my past lovers — never asked how many or any other details. I have had quite a past. He hasn't. I feel bad because I feel like I'm hiding it

DEAR ABBY: I need help. I am a middle school drama teacher. Five years ago, one of my eighth graders and a friend snuck out late at night during a sleepover. While attempting to cross an interstate highway, my student was struck by a car and killed.

A few days ago, as I was clearing space off an old external hard drive, I found a 90-second video of my deceased student doing a play audition a couple of months before her demise. It is a middle close-up (waist to head) and very clear. It's probably one of the last videos of her with such high quality. My question is, five years after her funeral, should I reach out to her parents or would that be too painful for them?

—REACHING OUT

DEAR REACHING OUT: I'm glad you asked. Contact the parents, tell them about your discovery and ask whether they would like to have it. I would be very surprised if they didn't. They will probably regard it as an unexpected gift.

# World Cup downhill called off due to poor snow surface

By James Ellingworth  
The Associated Press

KRASNAYA POLYANA, Russia — The second-to-last women's downhill of the World Cup season has been canceled in Russia after poor course conditions meant a mandatory training session was canceled for three straight days.

Downhill's high speeds mean athletes can't be expected to race on a course without having trained on it. "The course was set on the slope Friday morning before heavy snowfall once again settled in for the day," the International Ski Federation said. Heavy snow continued in the afternoon. FIS said the Saturday morning race slot at the Rosa Khutor venue will go to a super-G, which was scheduled for Sunday. A second super-G will be raced on Sunday, using the vacant day to reschedule a race canceled in January at St. Anton, Austria. "Race organizers, course crew, and officials are doing everything in their power to battle the unfortunate weather conditions and hold races in Rosa Khutor where the weather is expected to clear up by Sunday," FIS said. The course is staging its first top-level Alpine ski races since the 2014 Sochi Olympics. This weekend, American star Mikaela Shiffrin will be mathematically confirmed as the winner of her third straight World Cup overall title. Shiffrin leads the standings by more than 700 points from her main rival Petra Vlhova of Slovakia. With 100 points awarded for a win, only six races will remain when the circuit leaves Russia. Shiffrin's title is already a formality as she and Vlhova, who are technical race specialists, are skipping the speed races this weekend. All other skiers trail at least 900 points behind Shiffrin, who has a career-best 14 World Cup wins this season.



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# weather

	TONIGHT	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	Mostly cloudy and cold	Mostly cloudy and chilly	A little morning snow	Increasing amounts of sun	Mostly cloudy and cold
Baker City	22	40 32	42 37	41 26	39 21
La Grande	21	40 31	42 30	40 23	37 21
Enterprise	18	38 28	40 28	37 21	34 17

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.

TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Saturday	31°	34°	37°
Low Saturday	15°	11°	14°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Saturday	0.00	0.00	0.00
Month to date	0.05	Trace	Trace
Normal month to date	0.05	0.09	0.17
Year to date	2.51	4.15	9.89
Normal year to date	1.43	2.86	5.67

AGRICULTURAL INFO.	HAY INFORMATION TUESDAY
Lowest relative humidity	40%
Afternoon wind	SSE at 7 to 14 mph
Hours of sunshine	2.5
Evapotranspiration	0.05

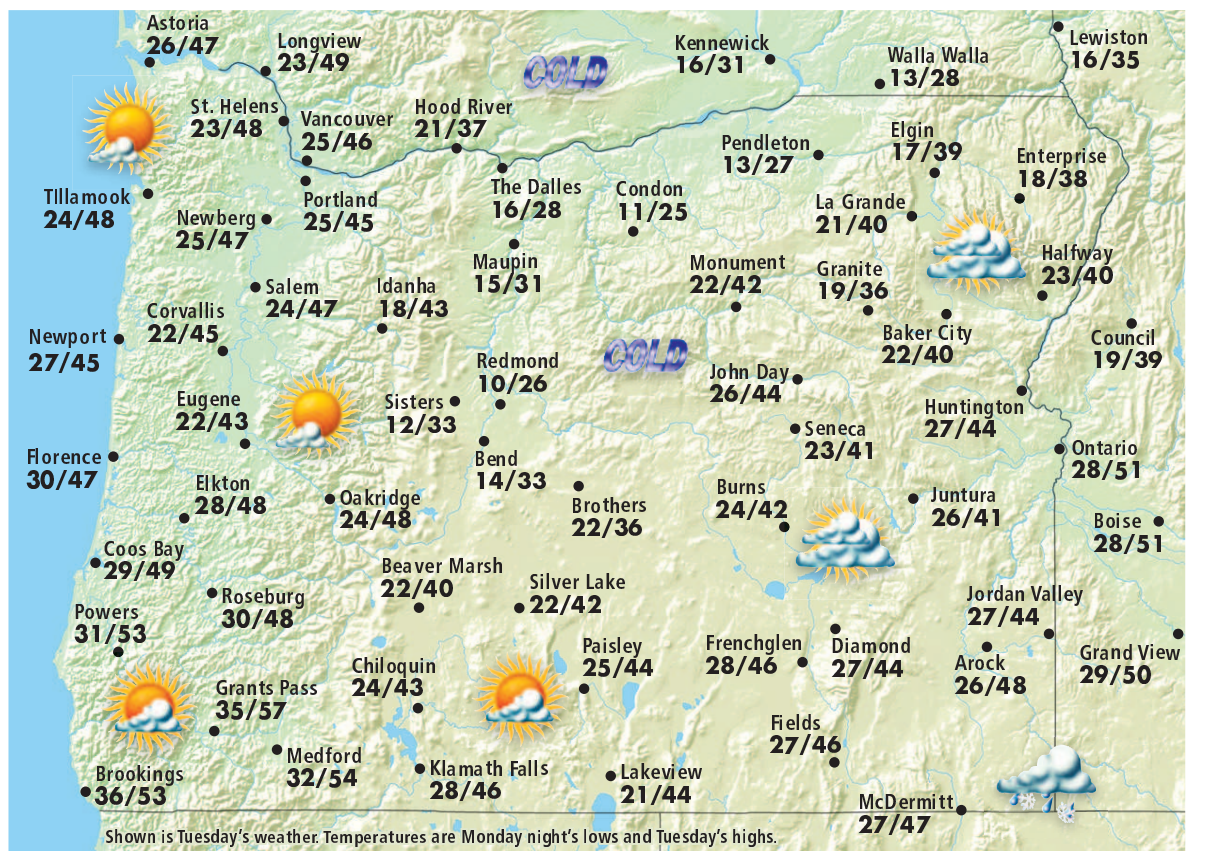
RESERVOIR STORAGE (through midnight Sunday)	MON.	TUE.
Phillips Reservoir	10% of capacity	
Unity Reservoir	39% of capacity	
Owyhee Reservoir	45% of capacity	
McKay Reservoir	58% of capacity	
Wallowa Lake	31% of capacity	
Thief Valley Reservoir	105% of capacity	

STREAM FLOWS (through midnight Saturday)	MON.	TUE.
Grande Ronde at Troy	1400 cfs	
Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder	N.A.	
Burnt River near Unity	11 cfs	
Umatilla River near Gibbon	120 cfs	
Minam River at Minam	99 cfs	
Powder River near Richland	193 cfs	

SUN & MOON	MON.	TUE.
Sunrise	6:26 a.m.	6:24 a.m.
Sunset	5:43 p.m.	5:44 p.m.
Moonrise	5:51 a.m.	6:21 a.m.
Moonsset	3:55 p.m.	4:55 p.m.

MOON PHASES	Mar 6	Mar 14	Mar 20	Mar 27
New				
First				
Full				
Last				

## AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION



REGIONAL CITIES		TUE.		WED.	
City	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	City	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W
Astoria	47/30/s	46/34/pc	Lewiston	35/29/c	40/33/c
Bend	33/20/c	34/22/sn	Longview	49/26/pc	47/31/r
Boise	51/38/c	54/42/c	Meacham	38/28/c	40/27/sf
Brookings	53/42/r	50/36/r	Medford	54/39/r	51/35/r
Burns	42/33/c	48/32/sn	Newport	45/33/pc	45/34/c
Coos Bay	49/35/c	47/35/r	Olympia	45/26/pc	44/28/sn
Corvallis	45/30/c	43/30/c	Ontario	51/38/c	55/41/sn
Council	39/31/c	42/35/sn	Pasco	30/19/c	31/24/c
Elgin	39/28/c	41/30/c	Pendleton	27/18/c	27/23/i
Eugene	43/30/c	41/29/c	Portland	45/30/c	42/32/sn
Hermiston	31/20/c	31/25/c	Powers	53/38/c	49/32/r
Hood River	37/24/c	39/27/sn	Redmond	26/18/c	34/25/sn
Imnaha	46/31/c	47/35/sh	Roseburg	48/38/c	45/34/r
John Day	44/34/c	45/34/sn	Salem	47/31/pc	44/32/c
Joseph	38/29/c	41/29/sn	Spokane	33/22/c	34/25/c
Kennewick	31/20/c	31/23/c	The Dalles	28/21/c	32/25/sn
Klamath Falls	46/32/r	45/31/r	Ukiah	36/25/c	38/24/sn
Lakeview	44/34/c	44/32/sn	Walla Walla	28/19/c	30/26/i

RECREATION FORECAST TUESDAY	
<b>ANTHONY LAKES</b> Mostly cloudy	<b>22 18</b>
<b>MT. EMILY REC.</b> Rather cloudy	<b>31 26</b>
<b>EAGLE CAP WILD.</b> Mostly cloudy	<b>23 18</b>
<b>WALLOWA LAKE</b> Rather cloudy	<b>38 29</b>
<b>THIEF VALLEY RES.</b> Cloudy and chilly	<b>40 32</b>
<b>PHILLIPS LAKE</b> Cloudy and chilly	<b>36 29</b>
<b>BROWNLEE RES.</b> Mostly cloudy	<b>43 34</b>
<b>EMIGRANT ST. PARK</b> Mostly cloudy	<b>33 23</b>
<b>MCKAY RESERVOIR</b> Cloudy; very cold	<b>29 20</b>
<b>RED BRIDGE ST. PARK</b> Rather cloudy	<b>40 31</b>

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