

# Wife stunned to discover her husband's weighty fetish

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I married two years ago. A year later we welcomed our first child. I never imagined I would ever want a divorce. Well, I found out early this year that my husband has a fetish/fantasy about bigger women. (He actually said it.) He is a "feeder." He has purchased books related to these things and watches videos and reads stories about it while sitting next me on the couch! It turns him on. He has asked me to consider gaining weight. I told him he needs help.



**DEAR ABBY**

handle this bomb he dropped on me. I don't know how to be with someone who has such a strong impulse. I hate to feel at fault for walking away and breaking up our family, but I can't go along with this and risk my health. I also don't know how to live apart from him. Any help is appreciated.

— WIFE OF A FEEDER

**DEAR WIFE:** Your husband should have discussed this with you before you married. Gaining weight to feed your husband's fetish would not be healthy for you physically or — feeling as you do — emotionally.

Because you already have a licensed mental health professional in your database, schedule

an appointment for yourself to help you rationally decide what you need to do. (Can your husband be content to have his fantasy but not involve you?) You may not want to "feel at fault" for walking away, but you aren't going to change him, and your first responsibility must be to maintain your health so you can parent your child to adulthood.

**DEAR ABBY:** This has been weighing on me for a long time. A guy I've known for years receives tons of food from a food pantry his sister runs. It sickens me because he's financially set. He brags to me about never ever having to buy groceries again. I think about the children and families who are in need of food during these terrible times. He is the worst kind of cheapskate and

doesn't like spending money on anything.

Obviously, if his sister is allowing this, she is doing the same thing. I told him he should be ashamed of himself for taking advantage of this program. His response was that he served our country, so he's entitled! (He was dishonorably discharged after seven months.) He truly feels the food is owed to him. This has been bothering me for a long time and, to be honest, I wish he had never told me.

— DISGUSTED IN CONNECTICUT

**DEAR DISGUSTED:** And your question is? Those two appear to have no conscience. Contact the head of the organization that sponsors the food bank and tell the person what you have

written to me. I don't think I'm being too harsh to point out that "Sissy" is guilty of theft by funneling food to her brother and preventing a needy family from having it. Shameless.

**DEAR ABBY:** Is it possible to be in love with someone who is incarcerated?

— ROMANTIC IN TEXAS

**DEAR ROMANTIC:** Yes. However, it depends upon the length of the relationship and whether you met the person before he or she was incarcerated. If you knew the person before, it is possible. However, if your relationship began while he or she was serving time, it is extremely important that you verify ANYTHING you are being told and refrain from sending the person money.

## NEWS OF THE WEIRD

The Observer

### Motel owner finds unwelcome guests

**NORWAY, Maine** — Inn Town Motel manager Andrew Coombs wanted to collect payment from one of his motel customers. But when he entered the room July 11, he found 53 spiders in plastic cases.

The Advertiser Democrat reported Coombs said the arachnids were arranged throughout the room on stands and tables. Coombs called police.

"The guy had been here about 10 days," Coombs said. "Turns out he gave me a bogus number and address when he checked in. He said he was from Waterford, but I don't even know where he's really from."

Norway's Animal Control Officer Robert Larrabee responded to Coombs' call and referred the case to the Maine Warden Service.

Warden Tim Coombs cited Sean Schoomaker for possessing three tarantulas that are illegal to have in Maine, according to the Advertiser Democrat. The other 50 arachnids were confiscated and transported to a facility for exotic animals in Lewiston for

further identification.

"We're a family-run business," Andrew Coombs said. "We won't put up with that kind of customer."

### Man gets prison for trying to steal copy of Magna Carta

**LONDON** — Mark Royden of Canterbury, Kent, is going to prison for four years after he tried a smash-and-grab of an original copy of the Magna Carta.

The Associated Press reported Salisbury Crown Court Judge Richard Parkes recently sentenced Royden for using a hammer to try to smash the security case holding the document at Salisbury Cathedral in England on Oct. 25, 2018. The Magna Carta is the founding document of English law and civil liberties.

Royden failed to break the protective glass, and moments later tourists and cathedral staff tackled him to the ground.

"Magna Carta is a document of huge importance to our country and many other countries that share our democratic traditions," Judge Richard Parkes said in passing the sen-

tence. "This was a determined attempt on a document of huge historical importance."

Salisbury Cathedral's Magna Carta is one of the four surviving specimens of the 1215 charter that established the principle that the king is subject to the law.

### Firefighter pushes for burpee record

**RALEIGH** — A North Carolina firefighter unofficially broke a Guinness World Record when he recently completed 5,297 burpees in 12 hours.

United Press International reported Nick Christopoulos, 30, said he trained for his record attempt by doing 100 burpees — squat thrusts with a stand in between repetitions — for every call that came in at his firehouse.

"The day I started, I did 1,300 in one day," he said.

He said the record was broken twice while he was training, adding more than 600 reps to his goal.

"It was pretty devastating, but it made me train even harder."

Christopoulos ended his attempt with 5,297. He said he was submitting video evidence and paperwork to Guinness to verify and recognize his record.



Photo by Italian Coast Guard via AP

An Italian Coast Guard diver works Sunday to free a sperm whale that was tangled in a fishing net near a tiny Mediterranean island.

## Italian Coast Guard works to free sperm whale from fish net

By The Associated Press

**ROME** — Italian Coast Guard divers and biologists were working Sunday to free a sperm whale tangled in a fishing net near a tiny Mediterranean island.

In a coast guard video, a diver can be seen slicing away some of the net in the waters surrounding the Aeolian Island archipelago. Boaters on Saturday had spotted the struggling sperm whale in that stretch of the Tyrrhenian Sea and contacted the coast guard.

The operation to free the sperm whale was particularly difficult "due to its state of agitation" that didn't allow for continual intervention near the whale, the coast guard said Sunday.

Three weeks ago, the Italian coast guard freed another sperm whale ensnared in a fishing net, also in the sea off the Aeolian Islands. Since the start of the year, the coast guard has sequestered illegal fishing nets totaling more than a 62 miles in length.

# weather

TONIGHT	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Clear	Mostly sunny and warm	Sunny to partly cloudy	Sunny and nice	Mostly sunny and pleasant
Baker City <b>55</b> Comfort Index™ 2	<b>96 58</b> 4	<b>89 50</b> 9	<b>91 49</b> 6	<b>91 50</b> 6
La Grande <b>59</b> Comfort Index™ 4	<b>91 57</b> 6	<b>84 50</b> 8	<b>87 51</b> 6	<b>87 52</b> 8
Enterprise <b>55</b> Comfort Index™ 3	<b>89 56</b> 5	<b>82 49</b> 9	<b>84 50</b> 7	<b>83 49</b> 7

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.

### ALMANAC

TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Sunday	93°	90°	95°
Low Sunday	48°	50°	49°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Sunday	0.00	0.00	0.00
Month to date	Trace	0.05	0.22
Normal month to date	0.44	0.47	0.49
Year to date	2.61	13.02	25.19
Normal year to date	6.17	9.85	14.24

### SUNDAY EXTREMES

**NATION** (for the 48 contiguous states)  
High: 122° Death Valley, Calif.  
Low: 30° Stanley, Idaho  
Wettest: 2.40" Jefferson City, Mo.

**OREGON**  
High: 99° Medford  
Low: 42° Meacham  
Wettest: none

### WEATHER HISTORY

A tornado killed two people in separate mobile homes near Hartly, Del., on July 21, 1980. These were the first tornado-related deaths in Delaware since Aug. 21, 1888.

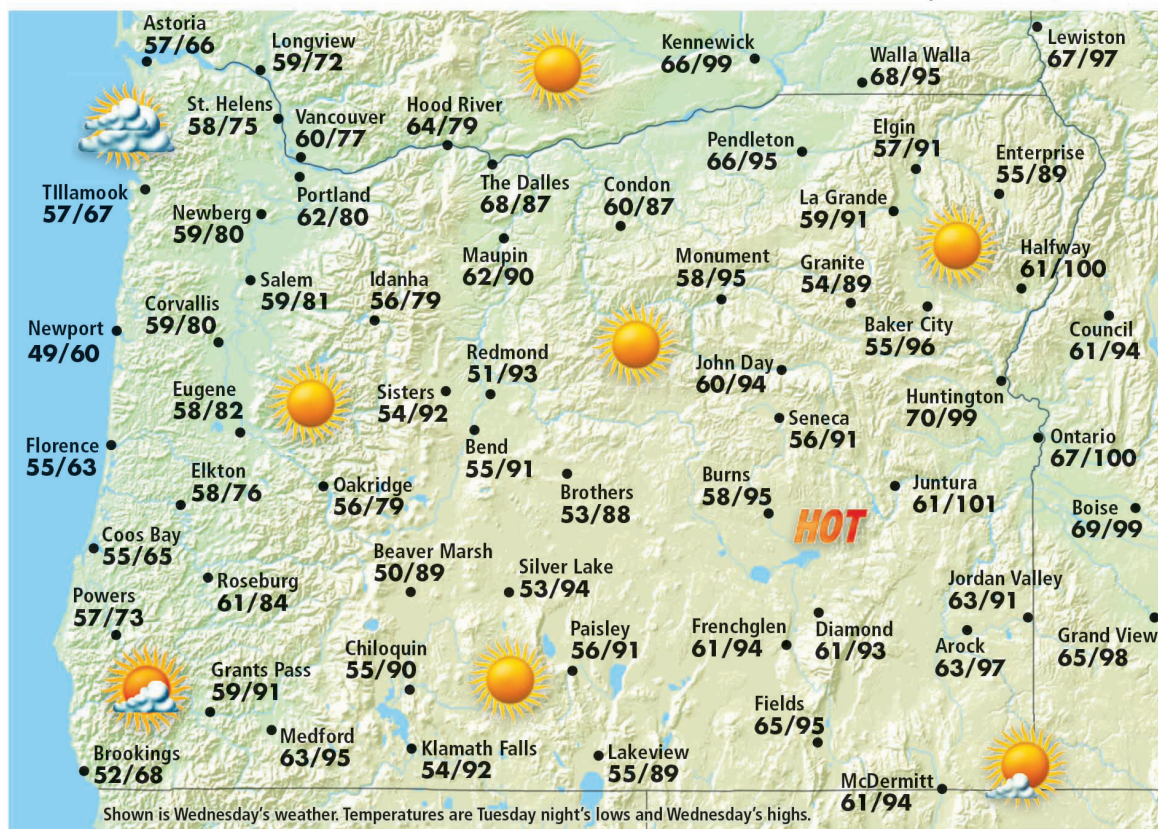
### SUN & MOON

	TUE.	WED.
Sunrise	5:25 a.m.	5:26 a.m.
Sunset	8:32 p.m.	8:31 p.m.
Moonrise	6:15 a.m.	7:30 a.m.
Moonset	9:42 p.m.	10:15 p.m.

MOON PHASES	First	Full	Last	New
	Jul 27	Aug 3	Aug 11	Aug 18

## AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION

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### REGIONAL CITIES

City	WED. HI/Lo/W	THU. HI/Lo/W	City	WED. HI/Lo/W	THU. HI/Lo/W
Astoria	66/56/c	66/55/pc	Lewiston	97/66/s	91/60/s
Bend	91/51/s	84/48/s	Longview	72/54/c	74/52/pc
Boise	99/68/pc	95/64/pc	Meacham	90/54/s	82/46/s
Brookings	68/50/pc	71/51/pc	Medford	95/57/s	88/58/s
Burns	95/57/s	90/50/s	Newport	60/46/c	60/46/pc
Coos Bay	65/54/pc	65/51/pc	Olympia	73/52/c	74/50/pc
Corvallis	80/54/s	82/50/s	Ontario	100/71/s	98/64/pc
Council	94/63/s	89/59/pc	Pasco	99/63/s	93/57/s
Elgin	91/56/s	84/52/s	Pendleton	95/63/s	88/56/s
Eugene	82/51/s	84/50/s	Portland	80/58/pc	76/55/pc
Hermiston	98/65/s	92/60/s	Powers	73/53/pc	76/51/pc
Hood River	79/58/s	81/56/s	Redmond	93/51/s	87/46/s
Imnaha	94/65/s	88/58/t	Roseburg	84/55/s	84/54/s
John Day	94/61/s	85/55/s	Salem	81/53/pc	78/51/s
Joseph	89/55/s	82/48/t	Spokane	90/61/s	85/57/s
Kennewick	99/64/s	93/58/s	The Dalles	87/61/s	83/58/s
Klamath Falls	92/51/s	87/49/s	Ukiah	88/51/s	81/44/s
Lakeview	89/53/s	86/50/s	Walla Walla	95/65/s	88/61/s

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

### RECREATION FORECAST WEDNESDAY

Location	Forecast	High	Low
ANTHONY LAKES	Mostly sunny; warm	<b>71</b>	<b>49</b>
MT. EMILY REC.	Mostly sunny	<b>79</b>	<b>54</b>
EAGLE CAP WILD.	Lots of sun; warm	<b>77</b>	<b>49</b>
WALLOWA LAKE	A stray t-shower	<b>89</b>	<b>55</b>
THIEF VALLEY RES.	Sunshine; very hot	<b>96</b>	<b>58</b>
PHILLIPS LAKE	Mostly sunny; hot	<b>92</b>	<b>56</b>
BROWNLEE RES.	Sunshine and hot	<b>98</b>	<b>66</b>
EMIGRANT ST. PARK	Mostly sunny	<b>84</b>	<b>47</b>
MCKAY RESERVOIR	Mostly sunny	<b>94</b>	<b>59</b>
RED BRIDGE ST. PARK	Mostly sunny; warm	<b>91</b>	<b>57</b>

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