

# Awkward online photos put in-laws on the outs

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been with my husband for 20 years, married for eight of them. He thinks his mother can do no wrong. She takes pictures of me when I least expect it, and then posts the worst ones on Facebook. She laughs and thinks it's funny, but I am really hurt by it.



**DEAR ABBY**

support us being together. I have deleted his mother as a friend on Facebook and no longer go to family functions. My husband agrees that what she's doing is wrong, but offers no support. His family prides themselves on class, but this is anything but classy.

— **CAUGHT OFF GUARD**

**DEAR CAUGHT:** It isn't classy to willfully hurt others, as your MIL and SIL have been doing. Both appear to have a cruel streak, and this is their way of needing you.

What troubles me is that you have allowed them to drive you away from family functions, which I assume your hus-

band is attending without you. Have another talk with him. Go to another family gathering, and when you see the cameras aimed at you, tell them to cut it out. Your spineless husband should back you up on it, tell them that it isn't funny, and if there are any shots of you on their FB pages, HE wants them deleted immediately.

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm in an eight-year relationship, and we have a 3-year-old child together. We talk about marriage, but I'm having doubts. He has a wandering eye, which is a total turn-off for me.

For instance, when we go to a restaurant and the waitress walks up to assist us, as soon as she turns around, he glues his eyes on her backside. I don't say anything about it, but it's so annoying.

Should I say anything or just continue to pretend that I don't see?  
— **BOTHERED IN LOUISIANA**

**DEAR BOTHERED:** Many men ogle, but for most of them, it's only their eye that wanders. Because it bothers you so much you may not want to move the relationship forward, by all means speak up. Pretending not to notice has changed nothing. After eight years of silence, I think it's time to set the father of your child straight, don't you?

**DEAR ABBY:** I have wonderful neighbors. They own a fish market in Chinatown. Since they moved in three years ago, he has given me fish almost every other week. My dilemma is, he speaks almost no English, and she speaks only

broken English. Some of the fish he gives me I don't use, so I offer it to another neighbor or throw it out.

— **GRATEFUL IN NEW YORK**

**DEAR GRATEFUL:** You might "innocently" mention which fish you especially appreciate when he brings it to you, but other than that, I think you should be grateful for your neighbor's generosity and forget about "placing an order" for something you're not paying for. You should also make an effort to reciprocate in some way so the man and his wife are not doing all the giving.

## NEWS OF THE WEIRD

### Official: Toilet display mocking mail-in voting is a crime

By Joseph Wilson  
Associated Press

MASON, Mich.— A Michigan resident's apparent joke showing disdain for voting by mail is no laughing matter for one election official.

The resident put a toilet on their lawn with a sign that says, "Place mail in ballots here."

Barb Byrum, the Democratic clerk of Ingham County, filed a complaint with police over the display, saying it could mislead people who aren't familiar with the voting system.

"It is a felony to take illegal possession of an absentee ballot," Byrum said Sept. 18.

"Elections in this country are to be taken seriously and there are many people who are voting by mail for the first time this election," she said.

Police told the AP the complaint is being investigated.

President Donald Trump has repeatedly warned that voting by mail could lead to fraud and spoil the election, making distorted claims that elections officials fear could cause anxiety and confusion among voters.

It's the "safest way to vote during the pandemic," Byrum said.

She didn't identify the person who lives at the address. The lawn also



Matthew Dae Smith/Lansing State Journal via AP

A political display is set up in the lawn of a home in Mason, Michigan, on Friday, Sept. 18, 2020. Barb Byrum, the Democratic clerk of Ingham County filed a complaint with police over the display, saying it could mislead people who aren't familiar with how mail-in voting works.

### Spain prohibits yachting along northwestern coast



Associated Press

Spain recently prohibited yachting along its northwest coast due to orcas knocking into sailboats.

then, it said orcas damage an unspecified number of sailboats with some needing assistance from Spain's maritime rescue service after their rudders were wrecked.

Biologist Bruno Díaz of the local Bottlenose Dolphin Research Institute said the orcas were most likely just playing a bit too rough.

He said orcas, like other cetaceans such as dolphins, like to swim alongside boats. Running into hulls is rare, but he believed it was likely done by "immature teenage" orcas getting rowdy.

"We will never be in the mind of that individual animal, but based on experience, we think that there is absolutely nothing (threatening about their behavior). We are not their natural prey," Díaz told The Associated Press by phone. "They are having fun. And maybe these orcas have fun

causing damage."

Orcas are particularly attracted by sail boats due to their size, the waves they make and the lack of pollution they produce compared to fishing boats, Díaz said. This stretch of water where the Iberian Peninsula juts out into the Atlantic Ocean is rife with tuna for them to hunt and on their migration route.

Spanish television has shown footage taken by sailors of groups of orcas swimming extremely close to their boats. No injuries have been reported so far.

Even so, the close encounters have put a scare in some sailors and hurt their pocketbooks with repairs that were needed.

British sailor Mark Smith told Spanish state broadcaster TVE that he was "a little" frightened "because they were very big and we couldn't stop them" from banging into his boat.

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has a sign that calls for the recall of Democratic Gov. Gretchen Whitmer.

No one answered the door the night of Sept. 18, the Lansing State Journal reported.

More than 2 million Michigan voters could cast absentee ballots after changes in election law.

Separately, a judge recently said absentee ballots postmarked by Nov. 2 can be counted if received within 14 days after the Nov. 3 election

### Orcas knock into sailboats, force Spain to limit yachting

BARCELONA, Spain — Spain temporarily prohibited yachting across 62 miles of its northwestern coast after orca whales apparently got carried away while playing and damaged several sailboats.

Spain's transport ministry issued the week-long prohibition for sailboats under 49 feet long beginning Sept. 22. It

said the area covered by the ban meant to protect both boats and maritime mammals and could be extended to "follow the migration routes" of the whales.

Boats could leave port to go into the open sea between the capes of the Prioño Grande and la Punta de Estaca de Bares, but they could not remain near the coast off the country's northwestern tip.

The ministry said the first reported incident occurred Aug. 19. Since

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# weather

|                | TONIGHT      | FRI                   | SAT                 | SUN                 | MON                 |
|----------------|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                | Mainly clear | Partly sunny and warm | Sunny and very warm | Sunny and very warm | Sunny and very warm |
| Baker City     | 39           | 84 42                 | 82 43               | 81 40               | 80 38               |
| Comfort Index™ | 8            | 8                     | 8                   | 8                   | 8                   |
| La Grande      | 43           | 83 44                 | 81 45               | 80 42               | 78 40               |
| Comfort Index™ | 8            | 8                     | 8                   | 8                   | 8                   |
| Enterprise     | 46           | 79 45                 | 78 43               | 79 41               | 74 46               |
| Comfort Index™ | 8            | 9                     | 9                   | 9                   | 10                  |

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 Tuesday           | 85°        | 84°       | 89°   |
| Low Tuesday            | 33°        | 33°       | 35°   |
| PRECIPITATION (inches) |            |           |       |
| Tuesday                | 0.00       | 0.00      | 0.00  |
| Month to date          | Trace      | 0.33      | 0.73  |
| Normal month to date   | 0.53       | 0.64      | 0.79  |
| Year to date           | 2.99       | 13.39     | 26.04 |
| Normal year to date    | 7.62       | 11.55     | 15.90 |

### TUESDAY EXTREMES

| NATION (for the 48 contiguous states) | CHINA, CALIF. |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| High: 109°                            | Chino, Calif. |
| Low: 14°                              | Walden, Colo. |
| Wettest: 2.92"                        | Saluda, Va.   |

| OREGON        | MEDFORD |
|---------------|---------|
| High: 98°     | Medford |
| Low: 30°      | Burns   |
| Wettest: none |         |

### WEATHER HISTORY

On Oct. 1, 1752, the second hurricane in two weeks hit coastal North Carolina. The storm erased Beacon Island.

### SUN & MOON

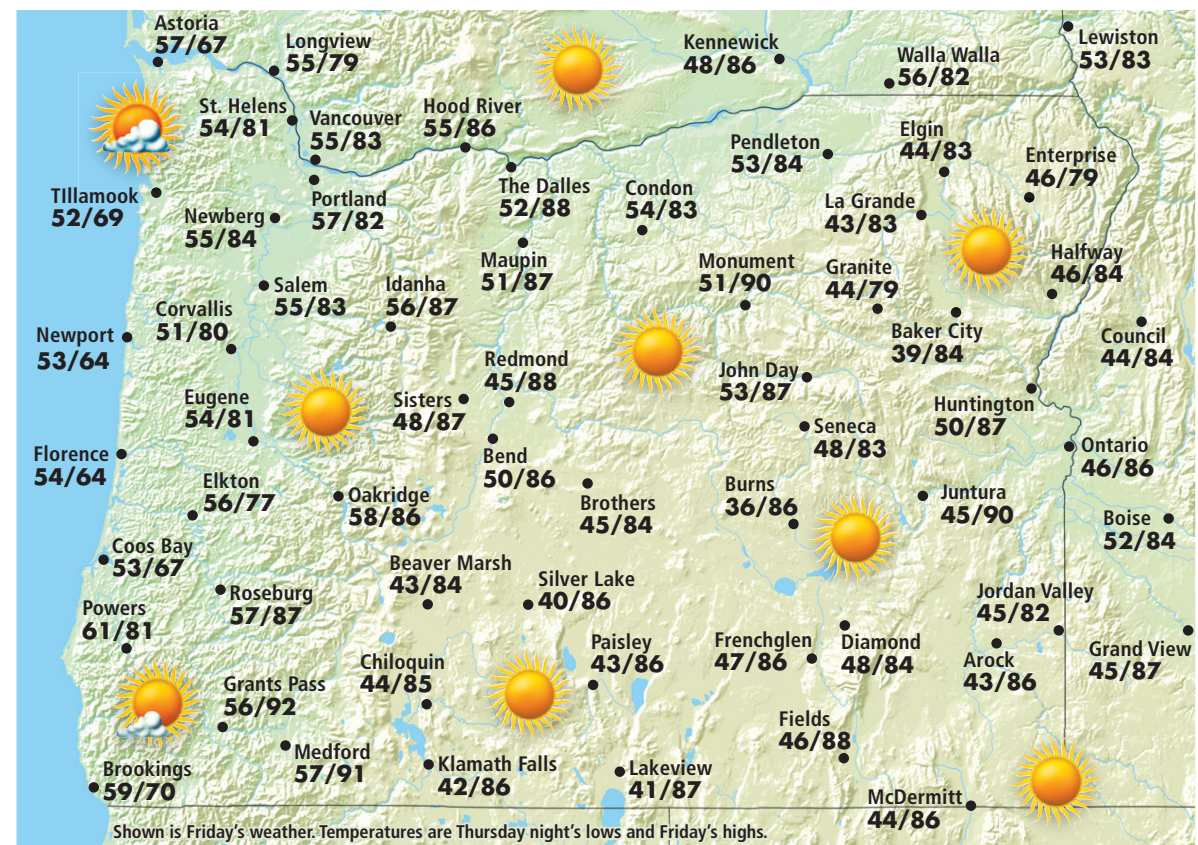
|          | THU.      | FRI.      |
|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Sunrise  | 6:51 a.m. | 6:52 a.m. |
| Sunset   | 6:32 p.m. | 6:30 p.m. |
| Moonrise | 6:57 p.m. | 7:16 p.m. |
| Moonset  | 6:26 a.m. | 7:28 a.m. |

### MOON PHASES

|  | Full  | Last  | New    | First  |
|--|-------|-------|--------|--------|
|  | Oct 1 | Oct 9 | Oct 16 | Oct 23 |

## AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION

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### REGIONAL CITIES

| City          | FRI.     |          | SAT.        |          |
|---------------|----------|----------|-------------|----------|
|               | Hi/Lo/W  | Hi/Lo/W  | Hi/Lo/W     | Hi/Lo/W  |
| Astoria       | 67/54/pc | 64/54/c  | 83/53/s     | 82/52/s  |
| Bend          | 86/49/s  | 83/47/s  | 79/55/s     | 74/54/s  |
| Boise         | 84/52/pc | 82/54/s  | 82/42/pc    | 80/41/s  |
| Brookings     | 70/56/pc | 69/56/pc | Medford     | 91/53/s  |
| Burns         | 86/35/s  | 85/40/s  | Newport     | 64/53/c  |
| Coos Bay      | 67/55/pc | 66/53/pc | Olympia     | 77/51/s  |
| Corvallis     | 80/51/s  | 77/50/pc | Ontario     | 86/47/pc |
| Council       | 84/46/pc | 82/45/s  | Pasco       | 85/49/s  |
| Elgin         | 83/50/s  | 82/48/s  | Pendleton   | 84/53/s  |
| Eugene        | 81/53/s  | 78/51/s  | Portland    | 82/57/s  |
| Hermiston     | 87/47/s  | 86/51/s  | Powers      | 81/57/pc |
| Hood River    | 86/53/s  | 83/53/s  | Redmond     | 88/45/s  |
| Imnaha        | 84/52/s  | 83/47/s  | Roseburg    | 87/54/s  |
| John Day      | 87/51/pc | 86/51/s  | Salem       | 83/53/s  |
| Joseph        | 78/46/s  | 77/43/s  | Spokane     | 78/51/s  |
| Kennewick     | 86/50/s  | 85/51/s  | The Dalles  | 88/54/s  |
| Klamath Falls | 86/43/s  | 85/42/s  | Ukiah       | 82/42/pc |
| Lakeview      | 87/42/s  | 86/42/s  | Walla Walla | 82/56/s  |

### RECREATION FORECAST FRIDAY

|  |       |  |       |
|--|-------|--|-------|
| <b>ANTHONY LAKES</b><br>Partly sunny; mild     | 62 42 | <b>PHILLIPS LAKE</b><br>Partly sunny; warm       | 81 46 |
| <b>MT. EMILY REC.</b><br>Partly sunny; warm    | 72 45 | <b>BROWNLEE RES.</b><br>Partly sunny; warm       | 85 44 |
| <b>EAGLE CAP WILD.</b><br>Partly sunny; mild   | 69 36 | <b>EMIGRANT ST. PARK</b><br>Partly sunny; warm   | 78 41 |
| <b>WALLOWA LAKE</b><br>Mostly sunny; warm      | 78 46 | <b>MCKAY RESERVOIR</b><br>Partly sunny           | 84 55 |
| <b>THIEF VALLEY RES.</b><br>Partly sunny; warm | 84 42 | <b>RED BRIDGE ST. PARK</b><br>Partly sunny; warm | 83 44 |

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