

Bossy sister turns a good deed into a bad situation

DEAR ABBY: My older sister moved in with me after she was placed on furlough because of the pandemic. I was resistant to her moving in because she likes to run the show, she has taken financial advantage of every family member, never admits she's wrong, and I was worried she'd take over. But I wanted to help her save money, so I said yes.



DEAR ABBY

my parents are begging me to let her stay because they don't want to deal with her. I just want my peace back. What should I do?

— **TIRED LITTLE SISTER**

DEAR TIRED: I'll tell you what NOT to do. Do not relent. She asked if you'd prefer she move in with your parents, and you answered her honestly. Set a date for her to be out and stick to it. It will save your sanity.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a very hands-on person, recently retired, and I would like to do volunteer work. Sounds simple, right? Well, it seems no one needs volunteers. I have been looking for some-

thing, preferably ecological in nature, for two years. But whenever I inquire, I'm flooded with appeals for money. I was hoping you might give me some more ideas.

— **BROKE BUT AVAILABLE**

DEAR BROKE: You describe yourself as hands-on with an interest in things that are ecological. Because your efforts are not needed at the organizations you contacted, modify your search.

Would you be interested in helping to keep your neighborhood clean and free of trash, starting a vegetable garden to feed the needy, performing yard and gardening chores for elderly members of your community who can no longer do it themselves? How

about teaching a class in ecology at a community center?

If that is not to your liking, would you deliver meals to shut-ins for a while? An animal hospital or pet rescue group may be able to use a willing hand in exercising the animals in their care.

The options are there. Sample them until you find something to your liking.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 40-something woman and have been with my partner for four years. I am the mother of three boys; he's a father of two girls. We live at my house.

Whenever his youngest comes to visit (she's 16), she insists on his every second of attention.

He eats it up. It's so frustrating. They both ignore the fact that I am here. It's very upsetting and, I don't think it's normal. What about you?

— **MIFFED IN MICHIGAN**

DEAR MIFFED: Have you discussed this with your partner? I don't know how often the girl comes to visit, but clearly she is starved for her father's attention. I don't think you should begrudge it unless her visits last for an extended period. Of course, your partner and his daughter should be respectful and not treat you like an old piece of furniture or a servant, but you might be less upset if you use some of that time to pursue interests or relationships of your own.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD

Call of Duty among finalists for Video Game Hall of Fame

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Voting is open for the next inductees into the World Video Game Hall of Fame, with Call of Duty, Guitar Hero and Animal Crossing among the 12 finalists.

Also on the ballot announced Thursday, March 17, are: FarmVille, FIFA International Soccer, Mattel Football, Microsoft Flight Simulator, Pole Position, Portal, StarCraft, Tron and Where in the World is Carmen San Diego.

"These finalists embody what it means to be a good game," said Jon-Paul Dyson, director of the International Center for the History of Electronic Games at The Strong museum, where the hall of fame is housed.

To be inducted, games have to have longevity, geographical reach and leave a mark on the industry and pop culture.

The winners are chosen by an international committee of journalists and scholars versed in video games and their role in society. Fans can weigh in as part of an online "Player's Choice" ballot through March 25.

The three inductees will take their place in the hall of fame during a virtual ceremony May



Strong National Museum of Play via AP

This photo from March 16, 2021, shows the 12 finalists for 2021 induction into the Video Game Hall of Fame: Nintendo's "Animal Crossing," Infinity Ward/Activision's "Call of Duty," Zynga's "FarmVille," "FIFA International Soccer," Harmonix's "Guitar Hero," Mattel Electronics' "Mattel Football," "Microsoft Flight Simulator," Namco/Atari's "Pole Position," Blizzard Entertainment's "StarCraft," Midway's "Tron," and Broderbund's "Where in the World is Carmen San Diego?"

6, joining 28 past honorees that include Minecraft, Grand Theft Auto III, John Madden Football, Pac-Man and Microsoft Solitaire.

Heads up: Some sea slugs grow new bodies after decapitation

TOKYO — Scientists have discovered the ultimate case of regeneration: Some decapitated sea slugs can regrow hearts and

whole new bodies.

This "wonder of nature," reported in a biology journal March 8, could help scientists better understand and tackle regeneration of human tissue.

Biology researcher Sayaka Mitoh said she loves studying Japanese sea slugs because they are small, cute and weird. They can even briefly photosynthesize like a plant drawing food from the sun.



Sayaka Mitoh via AP

This undated photo shows a Elysia cf. marginata sea slug after autotomy. According to a study released in the journal Current Biology on Monday, March 8, 2021, scientists have discovered that some Japanese sea slugs can grow whole new bodies if their heads are cut off, taking regeneration to the most extreme levels ever seen.

One day in the lab, she saw something bizarre: A sea slug had decapitated itself and the head kept on moving and living. Then a couple more did the same, according to a study in Current Biology.

So the doctoral student and Nara Women's University aquatic ecology professor Yoichi Yusa tried it themselves, cutting the heads off 16 sea slugs. Six of the creatures started regeneration, with three succeeding and sur-

living. One of the three even lost and regrew its body twice. Two different species of Japanese sea slugs did this regeneration trick.

Other creatures can cast off body parts when needed, like when some lizards drop their tails to get away from a predator, in a biological phenomenon called autotomy.

"We think that this is the most extreme case of autotomy," Yusa said.

— *Associated Press*

weather

	TONIGHT	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Turning cloudy and cold	Rain in the afternoon	Morning snow showers	Mostly sunny	Sunny to partly cloudy
Baker City	24	50 34	50 28	57 28	63 32
Comfort Index™	2	2	1	9	10
La Grande	25	49 33	44 26	53 28	60 33
Comfort Index™	2	0	1	10	10
Enterprise	23	46 30	40 26	51 28	57 34
Comfort Index™	3	1	0	10	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.

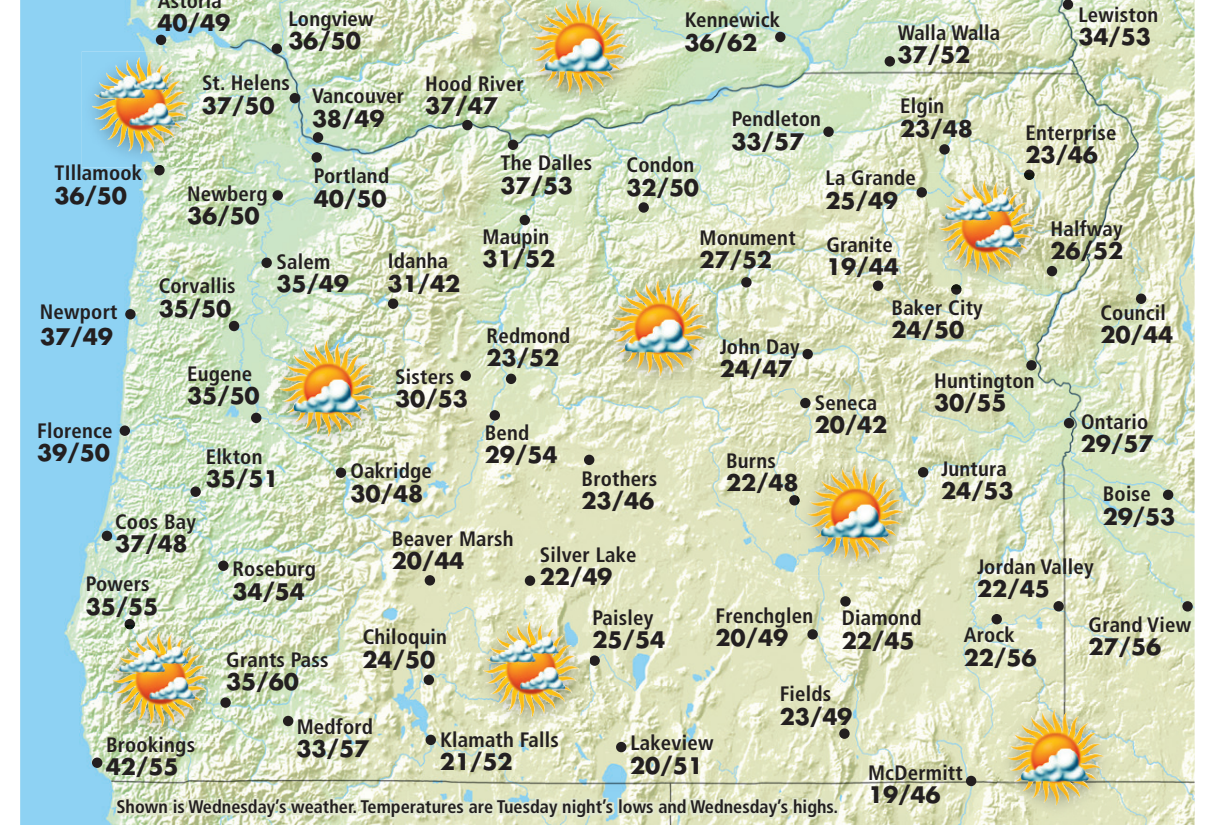
ALMANAC			
TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Sunday	50°	47°	48°
Low Sunday	21°	36°	34°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Sunday	0.00	0.03	0.04
Month to date	0.13	0.11	0.28
Normal month to date	0.55	0.98	1.52
Year to date	1.08	5.14	12.21
Normal year to date	1.93	3.75	7.02

SUNDAY EXTREMES			
NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)	High: 86°	Zapata, Texas	
	Low: 12°	Stanley, Idaho	
	Wettest: 2.16"	Savannah, Ga.	
OREGON	High: 57°	Ontario	
	Low: 13°	Lakeview	
	Wettest: 0.16"	Astoria	

WEATHER HISTORY			
Record floods hit the Midwest on March 23, 1913, with major rainstorms adding to snowmelt. This prompted the federal government's first widespread flood control projects.			
SUN & MOON			
	TUE.	WED.	
Sunrise	6:50 a.m.	6:48 a.m.	
Sunset	7:09 p.m.	7:10 p.m.	
Moonrise	1:09 p.m.	2:18 p.m.	
Moonset	4:25 a.m.	5:06 a.m.	
MOON PHASES			
	Full	Last	New
	First		
	Mar 28	Apr 4	Apr 11
			Apr 19

AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION

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REGIONAL CITIES			
City	WED. Hi/Lo/W	THU. Hi/Lo/W	City
Astoria	49/41/r	50/38/sh	Lewiston
Bend	54/36/c	50/25/c	Longview
Boise	53/37/c	52/32/pc	Meacham
Brookings	55/41/r	53/39/pc	Medford
Burns	48/30/c	46/24/pc	Newport
Coos Bay	48/41/r	49/36/sh	Olympia
Corvallis	50/39/r	52/34/c	Ontario
Council	44/26/c	47/25/sf	Pasco
Elgin	48/31/r	44/27/sf	Pendleton
Eugene	50/39/r	52/35/c	Portland
Hermiston	58/39/c	59/38/pc	Powers
Hood River	47/40/sn	54/35/c	Redmond
Imnaha	48/35/sn	45/26/sn	Roseburg
John Day	47/32/c	41/25/sf	Salem
Joseph	45/28/sn	39/27/sf	Spokane
Kennewick	62/44/c	63/37/pc	The Dalles
Klamath Falls	52/31/c	47/22/pc	Ukiah
Lakeview	51/32/c	45/22/pc	Walla Walla
			52/38/sh

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

RECREATION FORECAST WEDNESDAY			
ANTHONY LAKES	Cloudy, snow, 1-3"	28	16
MT. EMILY REC.	A little snow	35	26
EAGLE CAP WILD.	Cloudy, snow, 1-2"	34	18
WALLOWA LAKE	A little snow	45	28
THIEF VALLEY RES.	A bit of a.m. snow	50	34
PHILLIPS LAKE	A bit of a.m. snow	46	30
BROWNLEE RES.	A bit of a.m. snow	51	30
EMIGRANT ST. PARK	A little snow	44	29
MCKAY RESERVOIR	A shower	57	37
RED BRIDGE ST. PARK	Afternoon rain	49	33

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