

# Man has had enough with proselytizing in-laws



DEAR ABBY  
ADVICE

**Dear Abby:** I am having trouble dealing with my wife's extended family, who are mostly evangelicals. My family isn't overly religious and some are atheists. Her family doesn't think twice about asking me if I have a relationship with God, and have even declared that they are praying for me and my children. I chafe at these comments because I feel they do not respect our religious beliefs, as I do theirs. This has been going on for all

of the 40 years we've been married, and I'm ready to disassociate from them altogether. I do not want to be negative about their beliefs, but I should be entitled to mutual respect. Can you help, please? — **Losing Patience in California**

**Dear Losing:** I can try. One of the tenets of the faith of evangelicals is evangelizing — in other words, spreading the word about their beliefs. They feel that by doing this they are following their religion. When you are asked whether you have a relationship with God, your response should be that your relationship with God is as close as you need it to be, thank you — and please do

not ask again.

When they tell you they are praying for you and your children, say thank you again. A little prayer on our behalf hurts no one, and may make them feel better about their own lives. Limit your exposure if you must, but shunning your in-laws isn't the answer if your wife wants to maintain a relationship with them.

**Dear Abby:** My ex-husband had an affair with a woman named "Lily" that lasted for the entire year we were separated. Although we tried to work on things, he continued to sleep with both of us. I got PTSD because of how bad it messed with my head. I wanted to keep my family

together, but I was tired of being hurt.

When I finally let go, so did Lily. She got engaged not long after meeting her new boyfriend, but she and my ex still slept together. He had four relationships after her and kept trying to pursue me, but I didn't give him any more chances and met my now-husband.

After cheating in their subsequent relationships, my ex and Lily got back together. (She moved in because her fiancé kicked her out.) Eight months later they are now engaged. I don't feel safe with my son around them because they are so toxic. Am I wrong for wishing

they would separate again and both stay out of my life? It's affecting me emotionally again, as well as making it hard for me to love. — **Almost Destroyed in Illinois**

**Dear Almost Destroyed:** You are spending too much time focused on your ex and his fiancée. They are birds of a feather and meant for each other. Because you are unable to eliminate your ex from your life — I presume because of the child you share — and the stress is affecting your mental health, it's time to consult a licensed mental health professional for help in insulating yourself from this toxic twosome.

## NEWS OF THE WEIRD

# Wandering elephants near southwestern city in China

The Associated Press

BEIJING — Elephants in a wandering herd in southwest China walked down paved roads and poked their trunks through windows as they neared a city and authorities rushed to protect both animals and people.

It's not clear why the 15 wild Asian elephants made their long trek from a nature reserve, a journey documented and monitored both on the ground and from the air by a dozen drones. Authorities have urged people in the area to stay indoors and are blocking roads with construction equipment while seeking to lure the animals away with food.

The elephants have already walked 300 miles from the reserve in Yunnan's mountainous southwest. They appear healthy in images showing them roaming through farmland, villages and down paved roads at night in urban areas.

One city along their route, Yuxi, deployed hundreds of trucks along a road to discourage the herd from approaching, the Beijing News reported. Drivers ate and slept in the vehicles for days, even



Xinhua News Agency via AP

**A herd of wild Asian elephants on May 28, 2021, stands in E'shan county in southwestern China's Yunnan Province. A herd of 15 wild elephants that walked 300 miles from a nature preserve in China's mountainous southwest were approaching the major city of Kunming on Wednesday, June 2, as authorities rushed to try to keep them out of populated areas.**

as they heard the elephants moving about after dark, the newspaper said in a video clip posted online. On Tuesday, June 1, they turned

up at a retirement home and poked their trunks into some of the rooms, prompting one elderly man to hide under his bed, according

to residents interviewed by online channel Jimu News. The Xinhua News Agency reported on June 3 that the herd

by late night June 2 had reached the Jinning district on the edge of Kunming, a city of 7 million people that is the capital of Yunnan province.

The government of the semi-rural district issued a notice urging residents not to leave corn or other food out in their yards that might attract the animals and to avoid contact with them.

It was "forbidden to surround and gawk at the elephants" or to disturb them by using firecrackers or other materials, the notice said.

Sixteen animals were originally in the group, but the government says two returned home and a baby was born during the walk. The herd is now composed of six female and three male adults, three juveniles and three calves, according to official reports.

No injuries have been reported, but reports say the elephants have damaged or destroyed more than \$1 million worth of crops.

When and how the elephants will be returned to the reserve isn't clear.

Elephants are the largest land animals in Asia and can weigh up to 5 tons.

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# weather

TONIGHT	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Mostly cloudy	Cloudy	Times of clouds and sun	Considerable cloudiness	Nice with clouds and sun
<b>Baker City 44</b> Comfort Index™ 10	<b>67 43</b> 9	<b>63 38</b> 5	<b>69 42</b> 9	<b>78 45</b> 9
<b>La Grande 47</b> Comfort Index™ 10	<b>65 47</b> 9	<b>67 42</b> 9	<b>71 45</b> 10	<b>80 52</b> 9
<b>Enterprise 42</b> Comfort Index™ 8	<b>64 44</b> 10	<b>62 43</b> 9	<b>67 43</b> 10	<b>80 50</b> 8

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### ALMANAC

TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Sunday	64°	65°	66°
Low Sunday	35°	37°	41°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Sunday	0.00	0.00	0.00
Month to date	Trace	Trace	Trace
Normal month to date	0.29	0.37	0.43
Year to date	2.23	5.90	14.21
Normal year to date	4.82	8.17	12.35

### AGRICULTURAL INFO.

HAY INFORMATION WEDNESDAY	
Lowest relative humidity	40%
Afternoon wind	NW at 7 to 14 mph
Hours of sunshine	8.4
Evapotranspiration	0.14

### RESERVOIR STORAGE

Reservoir	Capacity
Phillips Reservoir	17% of capacity
Unity Reservoir	85% of capacity
Owyhee Reservoir	48% of capacity
McKay Reservoir	94% of capacity
Wallowa Lake	52% of capacity
Thief Valley Reservoir	89% of capacity

### STREAM FLOWS

Stream	Flow
Grande Ronde at Troy	5270 cfs
Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder	90 cfs
Burnt River near Unity	112 cfs
Umatilla River near Gibbon	116 cfs
Minam River at Minam	1720 cfs
Powder River near Richland	22 cfs

### SUNDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)	Death Valley, Calif.
High: 113°	
Low: 28°	Bodie State Park, Calif.
Wettest: 3.53"	Monticello, Ark.

OREGON	Rome
High: 84°	
Low: 28°	Prineville
Wettest: 0.47"	Astoria

### WEATHER HISTORY

A twister struck Cleveland, on June 8, 1953, killing 20 people and causing more than \$20 million damage. Ohio has tornadoes every spring; only six deadly storms have hit Cleveland.

### SUN & MOON

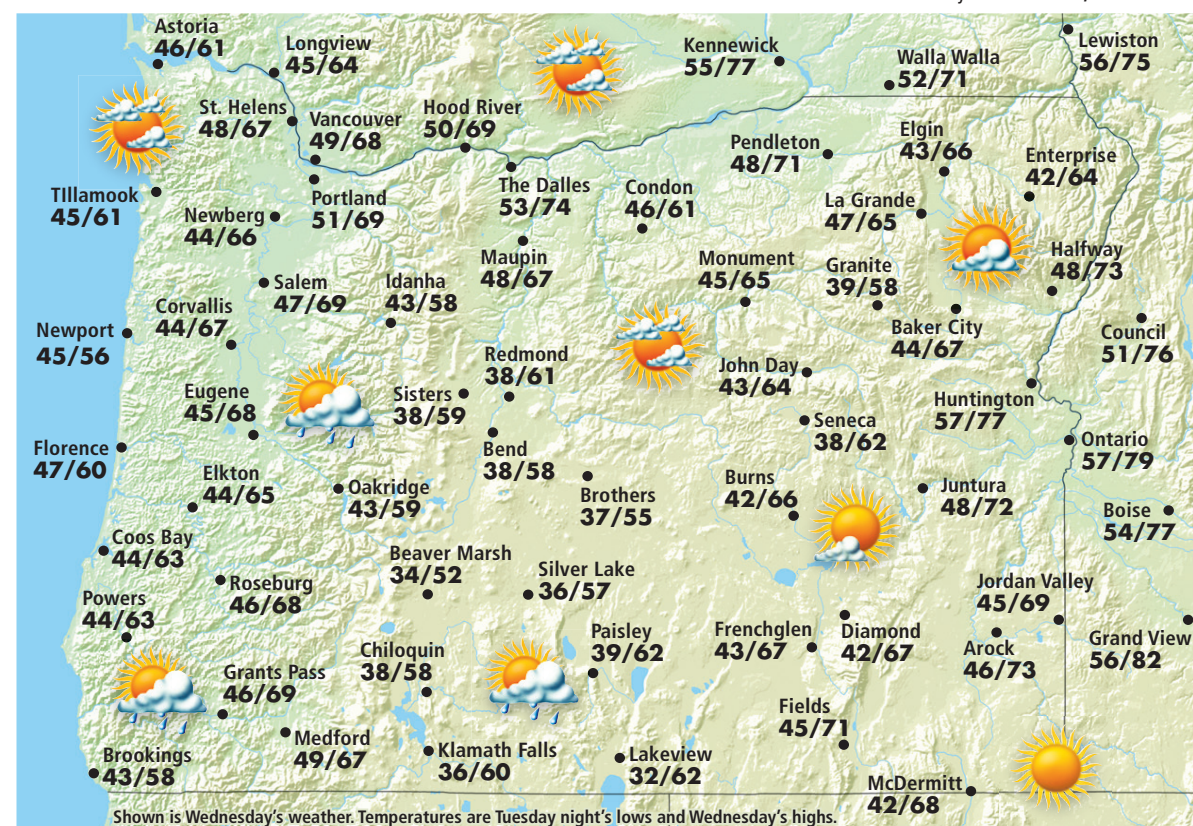
	TUE.	WED.
Sunrise	5:05 a.m.	5:04 a.m.
Sunset	8:38 p.m.	8:39 p.m.
Moonrise	4:05 a.m.	4:33 a.m.
Moonset	7:16 p.m.	8:19 p.m.

### MOON PHASES



## AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION

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### REGIONAL CITIES

City	WED.		THU.	
	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W
Astoria	61/47/pc	63/50/pc	75/55/c	74/49/pc
Bend	58/40/t	68/45/c	64/44/pc	65/50/pc
Boise	77/49/pc	65/50/sh	66/46/c	66/41/pc
Brookings	58/45/pc	58/49/pc	67/47/pc	75/52/c
Burns	66/41/c	66/43/pc	Newport	56/46/pc
Coos Bay	63/44/pc	62/51/c	Olympia	63/43/pc
Corvallis	67/42/pc	70/48/c	Ontario	79/55/c
Elgin	76/46/c	61/40/sh	Passo	77/52/pc
Eugene	68/43/pc	66/40/pc	Pendleton	71/49/c
Hermiston	76/53/pc	72/50/c	Portland	69/49/pc
Hood River	69/50/pc	69/52/pc	Powers	63/43/pc
Imnaha	70/46/c	67/45/sh	Redmond	61/36/t
John Day	64/40/c	65/44/c	Roseburg	68/44/pc
Joseph	64/44/c	60/43/sh	Salem	69/45/pc
Kennewick	77/56/pc	77/52/pc	Spokane	69/47/c
Klamath Falls	60/32/t	66/43/pc	The Dalles	74/52/pc
Lakeview	62/33/pc	65/39/pc	Ukiah	60/39/t
			Walla Walla	71/51/c

### RECREATION FORECAST WEDNESDAY

City	Forecast	Temp
ANTHONY LAKES	A stray t-storm	40 29
MT. EMILY REC.	Cloudy and cool	52 36
WALLOWA LAKE	A p.m. shower	64 44
THIEF VALLEY RES.	Breezy in the p.m.	67 43
PHILLIPS LAKE	A t-storm around	61 40
BROWNLEE RES.	Cloudy	76 47
EMIGRANT ST. PARK	A t-storm around	57 37
MCKAY RESERVOIR	Inc. clouds	68 47
RED BRIDGE ST. PARK	Cloudy	65 47

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