

Friend invited on trip seizes control of agenda



DEAR ABBY
ADVICE

Dear Abby: A few years ago, I asked a friend to accompany me to a concert for which I offered her a free ticket. (I paid \$150 for each one.) The original plan was to travel from New York state to Ohio, which would have been a three-day weekend. She responded with a grateful yes, then instantly changed the location to head in the opposite direction, planned out the entire trip, including the driving, and turned it into a five-day trip.

Well, it happened again. She's a great travel companion, so I asked if she'd like to go to Nashville with me for a couple of days. It instantly changed to a week, and she invited other people to join us without discussing it with me. Within 90 minutes of bringing up the trip to her, it no longer includes Nashville! It's like she waited for me to invite her to do something just so she could change it to something she wanted to do.

It really hurts that she oversteps my invitations. If I continue to plan the trip, including everything she wants to do, we will be gone for weeks. What can I say or do to make her see I

really wanted to go to Nashville? — **Derailed in New York**

Dear Derailed: Here's what to say to this presumptuous person:

"The itinerary you have planned isn't what I had in mind at all, so carry on by yourself. I am going to Nashville." And then follow through. Bon voyage!

Dear Abby: I currently live in my parents' house with my 1-year-old son and husband. We live here not because of unfortunate circumstances or events, but because we help my elderly and disabled parents with things such as bills, rent, groceries, etc. Unfortunately, my lazy sister

also lives under the same roof. She refuses to get a job or help around the house, and often creates extreme drama. Benign events seem to set her off.

I have told my parents on numerous occasions that I can't deal with the madness, and either she goes or we do. But I end up feeling such immense guilt at the thought of my parents struggling with bills and daily rituals that I end up pushing those feelings of anger and resentment aside.

I don't know what I should do. Should I free myself from my sister's unhelpful behavior and move out, or should I stick it out and suck it up in order to

be a good daughter and help my parents? — **Rock And A Hard Place**

Dear Rock: The problem with issuing an ultimatum is that for it to be effective, one has to be prepared to follow through.

You haven't done that, so your protestations aren't taken seriously. You and your husband need to have one more talk with your parents and make clear that the current living situation isn't working for you because it is too stressful. Tell them if the situation isn't changed — and your sister at the very least finds a job and contributes — you and your husband will be moving. Then follow through.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD

Eye-popping 6,000 false lashes seized at New Orleans airport

The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Three thousand pairs of false eyelashes have been seized by U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents after officials determined they were illegally imported from China to New Orleans.

The four boxes of long lashes seized Tuesday, July 6, at Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport were destined for a local beauty supply store, agency spokesperson Matthew Dyman said in a statement.

They hadn't been approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration and weren't labeled with the distributor's name or the manufacturer's name, he said.

That means there's no way to tell whether the eyelashes had been exposed to disease during manufacturing or whether they were stored properly and kept away from insect-infested areas, Dyman told The

Times-Picayune/The New Orleans Advocate.

"There's no telling what's on these eyelashes," he said.

False eyelashes can be made of synthetics and are attached using adhesive, and unregulated or dangerous materials could lead to allergic reactions, eye irritation or worse, Dyman said.

No business or individual has been cited, the newspaper reported.

Unlabeled, non-FDA-approved false lashes are often seized in New Orleans but officials said this shipment was "particularly large," WVUE-TV reported.

Trooper performs Heimlich after motorist chokes on marijuana

ROOTSTOWN, Ohio — An Ohio State Highway Patrol trooper successfully performed the Heimlich maneuver after a man allegedly attempted to swallow a bag of cannabis when he was pulled



U.S. Customs and Border Protection/Contributed Photo

This photo provided by U.S. Customs and Border Protection shows boxes of long lashes seized Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport. Three thousand pairs of false eyelashes have been seized by U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents after officials determined they were illegally imported from China to New Orleans. Agency spokesperson Matthew Dyman tells WVUE-TV that the four boxes of long lashes seized Tuesday were destined for a local beauty supply store.

over for speeding. Ohio State Police Sgt. Ray Santiago said the traffic stop occurred on July 3 in Portage County.

Trooper Charles Hoskins conducted a traffic stop for a vehicle that was allegedly traveling at 94 mph in a

70-mph zone, WEWS-TV reported.

Dash camera video posted to the Ohio State Police Twitter account shows Hoskins asking if the driver could breathe before helping him out of the car and performing the Heim-

lich. The man expelled a bag of marijuana and apologized to the officer.

After the man recovered, Hoskins asked, "Do you want to die over a minor misdemeanor?"

The man received citations for speeding and failing to wear a seatbelt, according to Santiago. The man also received a summons for marijuana and was released at the scene.

Gutter ball: Michigan man finds 160 bowling balls under home

NORTON SHORES, Michigan — A Michigan man made a striking discovery under his house when he went to demolish his back stairs: about 160 bowling balls.

David Olson, 33, said he found one ball buried in the sand behind cinder blocks this month and continued finding more over the following days.

"I was actually a little happy about that because it's a little easier to roll

bowling balls out of the way than to move the sand and figure out where to put all that," he told the Detroit Free Press.

Olson believes there are even more buried under his Norton Shores home.

He contacted the maker of the balls, Brunswick Bowling Products, which had a plant in the area and said they were made in the 1950s. He said former employees contacted him and told him the workers used to take scrapped bowling balls to use as an alternative to gravel or sand.

Brunswick shut down the Muskegon plant in 2006. Olson said many of the balls aren't in good shape; they don't have finger holes and aren't polished, according to MLive.com.

He has donated some and plans to give some to the Muskegon Heritage Museum. He'll use the rest for landscaping or to make sculptures, according to WZZM-TV.

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TONIGHT	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Clear	Very hot with sunshine	Sunny and pleasant	Nice with plenty of sun	Sunny and pleasant
Baker City 50 Comfort Index™ 5	97 53 2	93 50 6	91 50 6	90 49 6
La Grande 61 Comfort Index™ 4	97 56 2	88 51 6	85 52 8	87 54 8
Enterprise 57 Comfort Index™ 3	96 54 3	89 49 5	86 48 6	88 53 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.

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TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Sunday	93°	96°	98°
Low Sunday	53°	51°	48°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Sunday	0.00	0.00	0.00
Month to date	Trace	0.00	0.29
Normal month to date	0.27	0.31	0.32
Year to date	2.44	5.93	15.27
Normal year to date	5.98	9.65	13.99

SUNDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)
High: 128° Death Valley, Calif.
Low: 32° Walden, Colo.
Wettest: 2.67" Milton, Fla.
OREGON
High: 102° Ontario
Low: 41° Sunriver
Wettest: Trace Brookings

AGRICULTURAL INFO.

HAY INFORMATION WEDNESDAY	Lowest relative humidity	15%
Afternoon wind	NW at 6 to 12 mph	
Hours of sunshine	11.2	
Evapotranspiration	0.35	

RESERVOIR STORAGE (through midnight Monday)

Phillips Reservoir	10% of capacity
Unity Reservoir	60% of capacity
Owyhee Reservoir	34% of capacity
McKay Reservoir	69% of capacity
Wallowa Lake	26% of capacity
Thief Valley Reservoir	45% of capacity

STREAM FLOWS (through midnight Sunday)

Grande Ronde at Troy	645 cfs
Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder	133 cfs
Burnt River near Unity	79 cfs
Umatilla River near Gibbon	43 cfs
Minam River at Minam	200 cfs
Powder River near Richland	32 cfs

WEATHER HISTORY

A tornado cut a path of destruction from northern New Jersey into New York City on July 13, 1895. The twister first hit the small community of Cherry Hill, N.J., before moving through Harlem.

SUN & MOON

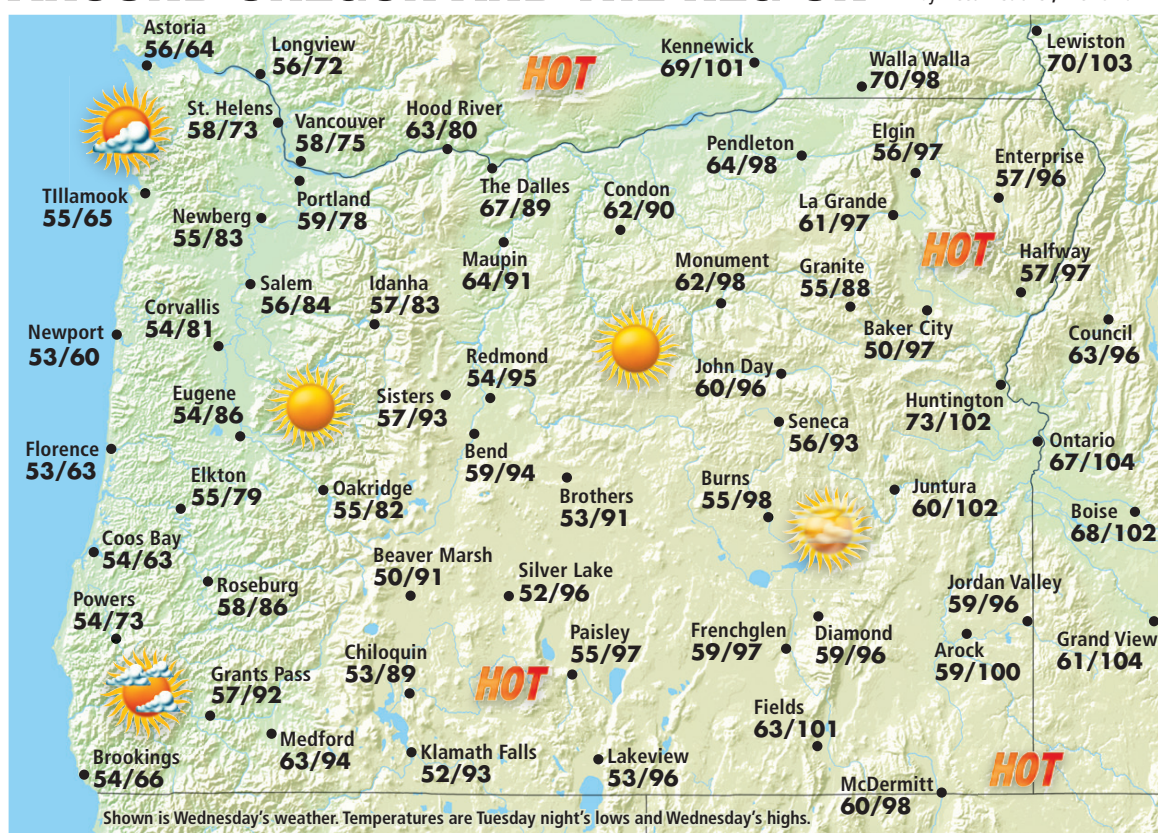
	TUE.	WED.
Sunrise	5:17 a.m.	5:18 a.m.
Sunset	8:39 p.m.	8:38 p.m.
Moonrise	8:56 a.m.	10:07 a.m.
Moonset	11:13 p.m.	11:36 p.m.

MOON PHASES

First	Full	Last	New
Jul 17	Jul 23	Jul 31	Aug 8

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	64/55/pc	64/55/c	Lewiston	103/68/s	95/62/s
Bend	94/53/s	87/48/s	Longview	72/53/pc	69/54/pc
Boise	102/68/pc	101/66/s	Meacham	97/52/s	88/50/s
Brookings	66/52/pc	65/51/pc	Medford	94/58/s	89/56/s
Burns	98/56/s	93/53/s	Newport	60/51/pc	59/51/c
Coos Bay	63/52/pc	62/53/c	Olympia	75/53/pc	71/51/pc
Corvallis	81/53/pc	77/52/pc	Ontario	104/69/pc	103/68/s
Council	96/62/pc	98/59/s	Pasco	102/64/s	95/62/s
Elgin	97/55/s	87/51/s	Pendleton	98/64/s	88/59/s
Eugene	86/53/pc	81/53/pc	Portland	78/56/pc	77/57/pc
Hermiston	100/67/s	91/64/s	Powers	73/54/pc	72/54/pc
Hood River	80/61/s	80/61/s	Redmond	95/50/s	89/46/s
Imnaha	100/60/pc	96/56/s	Roseburg	86/56/s	82/56/pc
John Day	96/60/s	92/55/s	Salem	84/54/pc	79/54/pc
Joseph	94/56/s	90/51/s	Spokane	96/62/s	88/59/s
Kennewick	101/65/s	93/63/s	The Dalles	89/64/s	83/63/s
Klamath Falls	93/48/s	89/46/s	Ukiah	92/43/s	85/40/s
Lakeview	96/50/s	91/47/s	Walla Walla	98/67/s	91/63/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

ANTHONY LAKES	PHILLIPS LAKE
Sunny and nice	Sunny; very warm
67 51	91 53
MT. EMILY REC.	BROWNLEE RES.
Sunny and pleasant	Hazy and hot
82 56	100 67
EAGLE CAP WILD.	EMIGRANT ST. PARK
Sunny and warm	Plenty of sunshine
76 45	87 35
WALLOWA LAKE	MCKAY RESERVOIR
Sunny and hot	Sunny and hot
94 56	98 62
THIEF VALLEY RES.	RED BRIDGE ST. PARK
Very hot	Sunshine; very hot
97 53 HOT	97 56 HOT

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