

Teenager's behavior makes grandma want to stay home



DEAR ABBY
ADVICE

DEAR ABBY: I must be the worst grandma in the world because I do not like my grandson. He's 16, rude, disrespectful, has no manners and his hygiene is almost nonexistent. When I mention my concerns to my son, he says, "I'm working on it." My daughter-in-law refuses to discuss it and just walks away.

We live in different states, so I don't have a lot of interaction with the boy. But when I must, I don't enjoy it. In fact, I find spending time with him very stressful.

Any suggestions? — **BAD GRANDMA IN COLORADO**

DEAR GRANDMA: If you visit, display your own good manners when dealing with your grandson and impart whatever advice you can. His behavior may improve by the time he is out of his teens. However, if it doesn't by the time he's 21, at least you'll know you tried.

DEAR ABBY: I need help navigating a situation that comes up periodically and usually leaves my sister in tears. She has a very small wardrobe because she travels all the time, so when she's in town, she'll often ask to borrow my clothes. She's similar in proportions to me and in good shape, but she's 4 inches taller than I am.

That means a lot of my clothes are too tight on her.

If I refuse when she asks to borrow my things, she gets upset and says I don't trust her. If I say yes and she tries something on that's a little small, she gets upset about being "too fat." I feel like I can't win. I do trust her, and I don't want her to have a negative image of her body. What should I do the next time she asks to borrow something? — **TRYING TO BE A GOOD SISTER**

DEAR TRYING: The next time it happens, "remind" her that although your proportions are similar, they are not identical. Then suggest she store some of her own clothes at your place so she'll have more choices the next

time she's back in town.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have wonderful friends and neighbors. We go out to dinner and concerts, and vacation together. They are smart, funny, charming folks. But there's one problem. When we go out to dinner, we always agree to split the check regardless of who had what to eat. On more than one occasion, I put in 50% of the bill but they often bring a coupon or discount card they apply only to their half.

If I had a coupon, I would share it with them so we would all benefit, so I find it kind of irksome that they don't. We are all on fixed incomes but no one is desperate for money. My wife

says I should let it go and just focus on the enjoyable evening. I wish I could, but it bugs me. Any advice on how to view this without letting it annoy me? — **FRIENDS SHOULD SHARE**

DEAR F.S.S.: Your friend appears to be a bit selfish, and I can't blame you for feeling annoyed. The way to deal with it would be to ask for separate checks when the server takes your order. But be prepared for the conversation that is sure to ensue about why you are breaking with "tradition."

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

Red panda found in fig tree after escaping Australian zoo

The Associated Press

WELLINGTON, New Zealand — A red panda that spent two days on the lam after escaping from an Australian zoo was recaptured Sunday, Aug. 14, after he was spotted hanging out in a fig tree in a nearby park.

Named Ravi, the 7-year-old panda had arrived at Adelaide Zoo last week after he was brought in from another zoo with hopes that he would pair up with a female red panda named Mishry. But by Aug. 12, Ravi was gone.

Adelaide Zoo Director Phil Ainsley told the Australian Broadcasting Corp. that zookeepers spent Aug. 14 trying to entice Ravi down from the fig tree with some of his favorite foods, including bamboo and sweet corn, to no avail.

In the end they fired a tranquilizer dart.

"We used a couple of different dart devices, finally got a dart into him and then just had to wait about 15 minutes just for the drug to take some effect," Ainsley said.

Ravi then fell into the blankets of zookeepers who were waiting beneath the tree.

"Ravi's doing really well," Ainsley told the broadcaster. "Settling down into animal health hospital, where he's just going to spend the next two or three days after being on the run. Just want to make sure he's all healthy and recovered from his adventure."

Ainsley said they discovered Ravi had escaped his enclosure Friday morning and initially focused their attention within the zoo, figuring he'd be up one of the large trees there. It wasn't until Aug. 14 that a zookeeper spotted him in the fig tree in the nearby botanic park.

Ainsley told the broadcaster they'd be reviewing the zoo's CCTV footage to figure out how Ravi escaped.



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Ravi, a 7 year old red panda, is caged after being found in a tree near the zoo he escaped from days earlier, Sunday, Aug. 14, 2022, in Adelaide, Australia. The panda escaped from his enclosure at the Adelaide Zoo and was recaptured Sunday after he was spotted hanging out in a fig tree in the nearby park.

"Obviously he'd just arrived and was testing his enclosure," Ainsley said. "We know that red pandas are incredibly agile, and renowned for being escapologists."

Protection sought for rare butterflies at Nevada site

RENO, Nev. — Conservationists who are already suing to block a geothermal power plant where an endangered toad lives in western Nevada are now seeking U.S. protection for a rare butterfly at another geothermal project the developer plans near the Oregon line.

The Center for Biological Diversity is now petitioning the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to list the bleached sandhill skipper under the Endangered Species Act at the only place it's known to exist.

It says the project the Bureau of Land Management approved last year 250 miles north of Reno could ultimately lead to the extinction of the 2-inch-long butterfly with golden-orange wings.

"This beautiful little butterfly has evolved over millennia to thrive in this one specific spot, and no one should have the right to just

wipe it off the face of the Earth," said Jess Tyler, a scientist at the center who co-wrote the petition.

USFWS has 90 days to decide whether there's enough evidence to conduct a yearlong review to determine if protection is warranted, so any formal listing is likely years away.

But the petition signals the potential for another legal fight all too familiar to Ormat Nevada, which wants to tap hot water beneath the earth to generate carbon-free energy the Biden administration has made a key part of its effort to combat climate change

with a shift from fossil fuels to renewable sources. Opposition to those efforts in Nevada has come from conservationists, tribes and others who otherwise generally support greener energy supply.

"At a time when climate change is undisputedly one of the greatest threats to the planet, it is disappointing that the Center for Biological Diversity, a group with a mission to protect the environment, is attempting to stop the development of clean, renewable energy sources," Ormat Vice President Paul Thomsen said in an email to The Associated Press.

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	TONIGHT	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON
	Partly cloudy and mild	Mostly sunny and warm	Partly sunny and hot	Mostly sunny and hot	Not as hot
Baker City	57	92 54	91 53	94 54	88 49
Comfort Index™	6	6	5	5	8
La Grande	63	93 58	95 60	93 60	87 57
Comfort Index™	4	5	6	4	9
Enterprise	58	89 57	92 58	91 58	84 55
Comfort Index™	3	5	4	5	9

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 Tuesday	95°	98°	104°
Low Tuesday	45°	48°	48°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Tuesday	0.00	0.00	0.00
Month to date	0.12	0.16	0.08
Normal month to date	0.22	0.35	0.33
Year to date	4.59	9.14	17.84
Normal year to date	6.21	11.01	15.56

TUESDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)

High: 119° Death Valley, Calif.
Low: 30° Afton, Wyo.
Wettest: 3.61" Sedalia, Mo.

OREGON

High: 103° Ontario
Low: 42° Meacham
Wettest: Trace Astoria

WEATHER HISTORY

Hurricane Bob was 45 miles south of Cape Hatteras, N.C., at 9 a.m. EDT on Aug. 18, 1991. It had sustained winds of 115 mph and gusts to 130 mph. Hurricane warnings were issued from the Carolinas to New England.

SUN & MOON

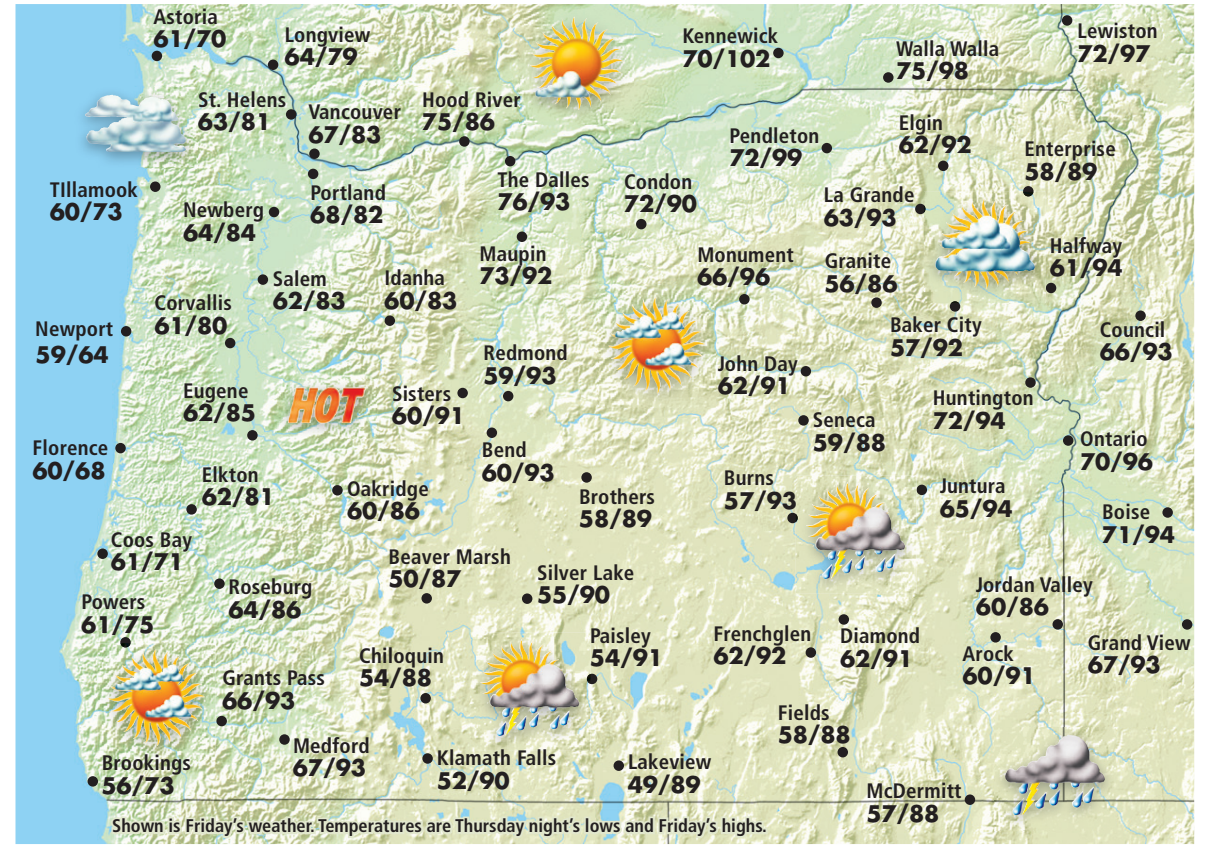
	THU.	FRI.
Sunrise	5:57 a.m.	5:58 a.m.
Sunset	7:55 p.m.	7:53 p.m.
Moonrise	11:12 p.m.	11:42 p.m.
Moonset	1:42 p.m.	2:49 p.m.

MOON PHASES

	Last	New	First	Full
	Aug 18	Aug 27	Sep 3	Sep 10

AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION

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REGIONAL CITIES

City	FRI. HI/Lo/W	SAT. HI/Lo/W	City	FRI. HI/Lo/W	SAT. HI/Lo/W
Astoria	70/58/c	72/57/pc	Lewiston	97/70/pc	98/68/c
Bend	93/56/s	94/59/s	Longview	79/58/pc	82/58/s
Boise	94/68/pc	96/70/pc	Meacham	91/55/s	90/56/pc
Brookings	73/56/s	70/54/s	Medford	93/62/s	96/64/pc
Burns	93/56/s	92/55/pc	Newport	64/52/pc	65/53/s
Coos Bay	71/57/pc	71/56/s	Olympia	76/55/pc	78/54/pc
Corvallis	80/54/pc	86/54/s	Ontario	96/67/pc	98/68/pc
Council	93/61/c	94/60/pc	Pasco	103/67/s	99/62/s
Elgin	92/59/s	93/61/pc	Pendleton	99/65/s	96/65/s
Eugene	85/55/pc	90/57/s	Portland	82/63/pc	85/63/pc
Hermiston	100/67/s	100/65/s	Powers	75/57/pc	77/57/s
Hood River	86/64/s	93/65/s	Redmond	93/52/s	78/54/pc
Imnaha	97/66/pc	98/65/pc	Roseburg	86/60/s	90/61/s
John Day	91/58/s	94/63/pc	Salem	83/56/pc	87/60/s
Joseph	87/57/pc	89/61/pc	Spokane	96/65/pc	93/63/s
Kennewick	102/66/s	100/63/s	The Dalles	93/66/s	94/65/s
Klamath Falls	90/50/s	91/53/s	Ukiah	91/47/s	89/51/pc
Lakeview	89/50/s	92/50/s	Walla Walla	98/70/s	95/69/s

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

RECREATION FORECAST FRIDAY

City	FRI. HI/Lo/W	SAT. HI/Lo/W
ANTHONY LAKES	70	47
Some sunshine		
MT. EMILY REC.	81	56
Mostly sunny; warm		
EAGLE CAP WILD.	76	48
Partly sunny		
WALLOWA LAKE	87	57
Warm with some sun		
THIEF VALLEY RES.	92	54
Mostly sunny; warm		

City	FRI. HI/Lo/W	SAT. HI/Lo/W
PHILLIPS LAKE	88	50
Warm with some sun		
BROWNLEE RES.	99	65
Very warm		
EMIGRANT ST. PARK	88	46
Sunshine and warm		
MCKAY RESERVOIR	98	63
Hot with sunshine		
RED BRIDGE ST. PARK	93	58
Mostly sunny; warm		