

Old romance rekindled amid current marriage



DEAR ABBY
ADVICE

DEAR ABBY: I have been in love with a man for 34 years. I was married to him once, then divorced him because of drugs. I have been remarried for eight years now, to a wonderful man who is good to me, but aloof to my needs or desires. I am not in love with him. When we talked early in the marriage about my needs, he got sullen and said he would “try.” That lasted a very short time. He is focused only on his wants and needs.

Three years ago, my ex lost his mother. I contacted his brother to offer sympathy, and then my ex contacted me. We have talked and cried together. He has apologized and asked for forgiveness. He then told me he has never stopped loving me. We have met a couple of times since, and I’m having a hard time deciding what to do.
My home is more like a small office than a home. We have a business, a ministry, and I have a full-time job. I can’t just pack up and leave, but in my heart I want to go back to my ex. He has been clean for three years, free from the drug-related health problems and is not going to return to that life. What do I

do? — **TORN IN LOVE IN THE SOUTH**
DEAR TORN: The relationship you have described with your self-centered husband seems more like a business partnership than anything else. From what you describe, he’s either unwilling or unable to give you what you need. Unless you like living in an emotional desert, you will have to take charge of your life. If you decide to divorce your husband, I urge you to take a long pause and not rush back to the altar. Get to know your ex again. Learn what pressures drove him to substance abuse. Although you care for him, the last thing you need is to wind up back at square one.
DEAR ABBY: My pregnant oldest

niece just had a gender reveal party to which I was not invited. She called me instead to tell me the gender of the baby. My brother (her father) and his wife were invited. My sister-in-law is now having a baby shower for my niece. I don’t feel like I’m being treated like family anymore. My brother and his family never invite me to any family get-togethers.
I’m wondering why I was not invited to the gender reveal party, yet she’s inviting me to her baby shower. My feelings are if I wasn’t good enough to be invited to the gender reveal along with her friends and the rest of our family, then why should I go to her baby

shower? — **HURT AUNT IN INDIANA**
DEAR HURT AUNT: If you want a relationship with your pregnant oldest niece, attend the shower and be friendly. If you decline the invitation, you will further the estrangement from your brother’s family. I don’t know what caused it and neither do you, but you should definitely ask if you did something that offended them because it has been hurtful. (Just don’t ask that question at the shower.)
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

US providing abortion access for detained migrant youths

The Associated Press
SANTA FE, N.M. — The U.S. government took steps Thursday, Nov. 10, to ensure that pregnant migrant youths who are in its custody but not accompanied by parents can access abortion services by assigning them to shelters in states that still allow the procedure.

Pregnant migrants under 18 who want an abortion should also be provided transportation, if necessary, from states such as Texas, where abortion is largely banned, to a state where it is legal, according to the written guidance from the Office of Refugee Resettlement.

The policy changes from the Biden administration arrive after the Supreme Court in June overturned the nationwide right to abortion access. Advocates for abortion rights say the new policy guidance complies with court orders that reined in efforts to deny the procedure to migrant children during the administration of former President Donald Trump.

Government officials and contractors who have religious objections to abortion aren’t required to assist in providing access under the updated policy, but they must notify authorities of any pregnant migrant youths.

The directive should provide critical access to health care for young, unaccompanied migrants who in many cases are fleeing violence, including sexual assault, the American Civil Liberties Union said. Migrants traversing Central American and Mexico are often subject to extortion and rape.

“We applaud Office of Refugee Resettlement’s decision to place pregnant unaccompanied immigrant youth in states where they can access the full range of health care they may need, including abortion,” said Brigitte Amiri, deputy director of the ACLU Reproductive Freedom Project, in a statement Thursday.

The refugee office is part of the Health and Human Services Department and is responsible for oversight of migrant children who are found traveling alone.



In this July 9, 2019, photo, immigrants play soccer at the U.S. government’s newest holding center for migrant children in Carrizo Springs, Texas. The U.S. government is taking new steps to ensure access to abortion services for pregnant migrant youths who are not accompanied by parents by assigning them to shelters in states that still allow abortion.

Charges: Wisconsin nurse amputated man’s foot without orders

SPRING VALLEY, Wis. — A nurse in Wisconsin has been charged with elder abuse, accused of amputating a hospice patient’s frostbitten foot without his consent and without doctor’s orders.

After she cut off the man’s right foot last spring, Mary K. Brown, 38, of Durand, told her colleagues that she wanted to display it at her family’s taxidermy shop with a sign that said: “Wear your boots kids,” according to charges filed last week in Pierce County.

The amputation happened May 27, and within about a week the 62-year-old man was dead. The complaint gives no indication the amputation hastened his death, the Milwaukee Journal Senti-

nel reported.
The Associated Press was unable to reach Brown for comment Thursday, Nov. 10. Online court records do not list an attorney for her, and a phone call to her home rang several times and was not answered.

According to the complaint, the man was admitted to Spring Valley Health and Rehab Center after he fell at his home in March. The heat in his home was not turned on, and he suffered frostbite to both feet, leaving the tissue necrotic. His right foot remained attached to his leg by a tendon and roughly 2 inches of skin.

While at the Spring Valley center, the man was getting separate care through St. Croix County hospice health workers. Brown worked at the center but was not a hospice nurse.

One nurse who had changed the

man’s bandages on the morning of May 27 said he could wiggle his toes, the complaint said. Brown told two other nurses at shift change that she was “going to cut off the victim’s foot for comfort,” but they told her not to. Brown and two certified nursing assistants went into the man’s room to change his bandages, but Brown cut his foot off instead, one of the nursing assistants told an investigator.

Tracy Reitz, the center’s director of nursing, learned of the amputation two days later from a distraught nursing assistant, according to the complaint. Reitz said the nursing assistant told her the man didn’t appear to be in pain during the amputation, but another nurse told an investigator the man said afterward that “he felt everything and it hurt very bad,” according to the complaint.

Brown told an investigator that the man did not ask her to remove his foot, which she described as “mummy feet,” but that there was no life in the foot and she did it to make his quality of life better, the complaint said. She acknowledged that it was outside her scope of practice and that she did not have authorization.

Brown has been licensed as a registered nurse in Wisconsin since July 14, 2020, according to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services. Her license is still listed as active. The agency said it has processed a complaint against Brown, and that the Wisconsin Board of Nursing is investigating.

Kevin Larson, the administrator and CEO of Spring Valley Senior Living and Health Care Campus, said Brown does not currently work at the center.

weather

TONIGHT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
Mainly clear and cold	Some brightening, cold	Partly sunny and cold	Mostly sunny and chilly	Mostly cloudy
Baker City 14 Comfort Index™ 0	37 15 0	37 15 1	38 13 2	43 24 2
La Grande 21 Comfort Index™ 1	39 24 1	38 19 2	39 18 2	43 30 2
Enterprise 20 Comfort Index™ 2	35 22 1	36 18 2	38 19 3	40 19 3

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 Thursday	41°	42°	42°
Low Thursday	12°	22°	20°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Thursday	0.00	0.00	0.00
Month to date	0.55	2.74	5.13
Normal month to date	0.23	0.62	0.85
Year to date	6.26	13.67	25.52
Normal year to date	7.71	14.20	19.88

THURSDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)
High: 91° McAllen, Texas
Low: -18° Bodie State Park, Calif.
Wettest: 3.91" Cape Canaveral, Fla.

OREGON
High: 55° The Dalles
Low: 0° Alkali Lake
Wettest: 0.02" Astoria

WEATHER HISTORY

On Nov. 12, 1906, the temperature reached 105 degrees at Craitonville, Calif. -- the hottest reading ever recorded for the United States in November.

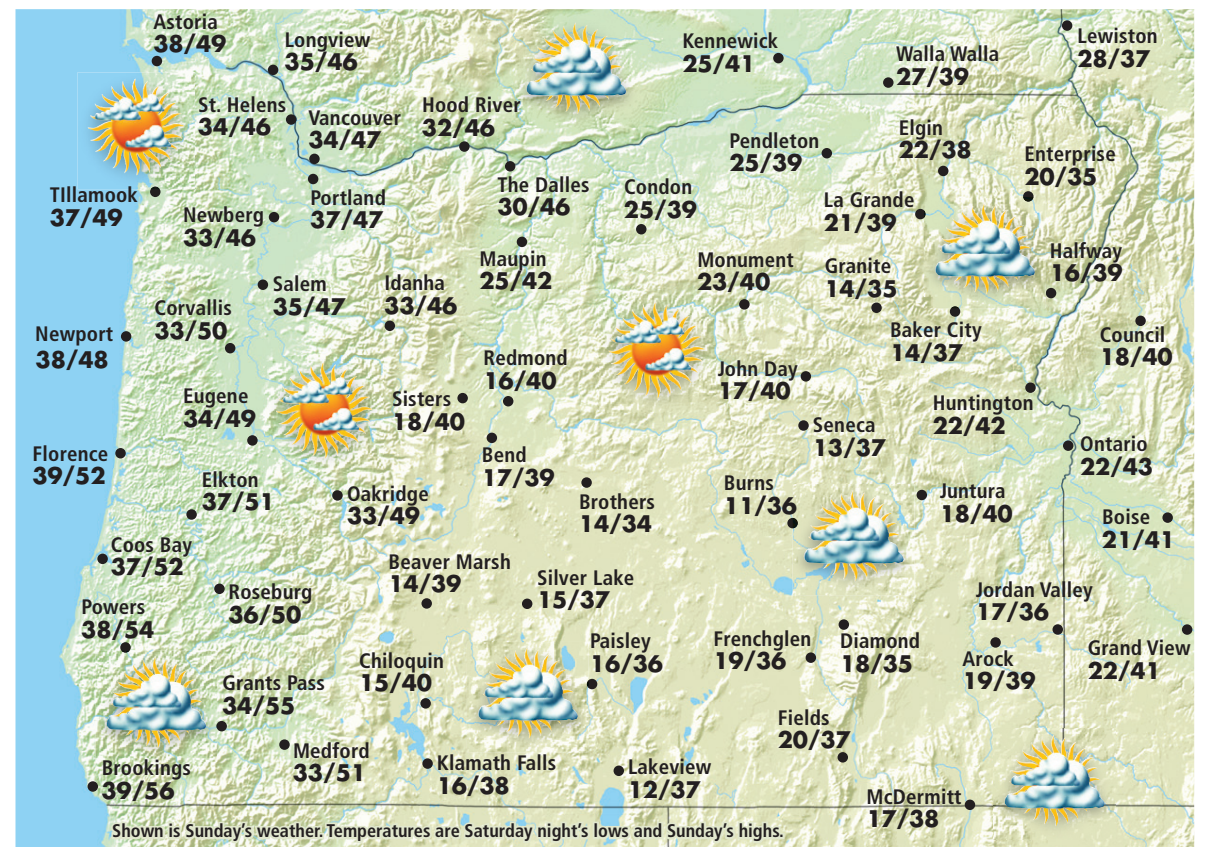
SUN & MOON

Sunrise	6:47 a.m.	6:48 a.m.
Sunset	4:26 p.m.	4:25 p.m.
Moonrise	7:18 p.m.	8:17 p.m.
Moonset	11:13 a.m.	11:58 a.m.

MOON PHASES

Last	New	First	Full
Nov 16	Nov 23	Nov 30	Dec 7

AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION



REGIONAL CITIES

City	SUN.		MON.	
	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W
Astoria	49/37/c	52/37/s	Lewiston	37/27/pc
Bend	39/21/pc	35/18/s	Longview	46/33/c
Boise	41/23/s	39/22/pc	Meacham	38/18/c
Brookings	56/40/pc	55/43/pc	Medford	51/34/pc
Burns	36/13/pc	38/11/s	Newport	48/38/pc
Coos Bay	52/38/pc	54/37/pc	Olympia	47/29/c
Corvallis	50/33/pc	49/27/s	Ontario	43/23/c
Council	40/16/pc	37/16/pc	Pasco	41/25/pc
Elgin	38/22/c	39/20/pc	Pendleton	39/26/pc
Eugene	49/31/c	48/28/pc	Portland	47/35/c
Hermiston	42/24/c	43/22/pc	Powers	54/37/pc
Hood River	46/30/c	46/31/pc	Redmond	40/22/pc
Imnaha	38/24/pc	42/24/pc	Roseburg	50/36/c
John Day	40/15/pc	38/14/pc	Salem	47/33/c
Joseph	34/19/pc	35/17/pc	Spokane	33/18/c
Kennewick	41/24/pc	41/23/pc	The Dalles	46/30/c
Klamath Falls	38/19/pc	40/15/c	Ukiah	38/18/c
Lakeview	37/15/pc	37/15/pc	Walla Walla	39/28/pc

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

RECREATION FORECAST SUNDAY

Location	SUN.	MON.
ANTHONY LAKES	26	9
Becoming cloudy		
PHILLIPS LAKE	36	11
Partly sunny		
MT. EMILY REC.	30	22
Cold		
BROWNLEE RES.	42	18
Partly sunny		
EAGLE CAP WILD.	27	7
Cold		
EMIGRANT ST. PARK	34	17
Cloudy and chilly		
WALLOWA LAKE	34	19
Cold		
MCKAY RESERVOIR	39	26
Cold		
THIEF VALLEY RES.	37	15
Cold		
RED BRIDGE ST. PARK	39	24
Cold		