

TODAY

Today is Friday, June 4, the 155th day of 2021. There are 210 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On **June 4, 1919**, Congress approved the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which said that the right to vote could not be denied or abridged based on gender. The amendment was sent to the states for ratification. In **1812**, the Louisiana Territory was renamed the Missouri Territory, to avoid confusion with the recently admitted state of Louisiana. The U.S. House of Representatives approved, 79-49, a declaration of war against Britain. In **1912**, Massachusetts became the first state to adopt a minimum wage law. In **1939**, the German ocean liner MS St. Louis, carrying more than 900 Jewish refugees from Germany, was turned away from the Florida coast by U.S. officials. In **1940**, during World War II, the Allied military evacuation of some 338,000 troops from Dunkirk, France, ended. British Prime Minister Winston Churchill declared: "We shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight in the fields and in the streets, we shall fight in the hills; we shall never surrender." In **1942**, the World War II Battle of Midway began, resulting in a decisive American victory against Japan and marking the turning point of the war in the Pacific. In **1972**, a jury in San Jose, California, acquitted radical activist Angela Davis of murder and kidnapping for her alleged connection to a deadly courthouse shootout in Marin County in 1970. In **1977**, the VHS home video-cassette recorder was introduced to North America by JVC. In **1985**, the Supreme Court upheld a lower court ruling striking down an Alabama law providing for a daily minute of silence in public schools. In **1986**, Jonathan Jay Pollard, a former U.S. Navy intelligence analyst, pleaded guilty in Washington to conspiring to deliver information related to the national defense to Israel. In **1989**, a gas explosion in the Soviet Union engulfed two passing trains, killing 575. In **1990**, Dr. Jack Kevorkian carried out his first publicly assisted suicide, helping Janet Adkins, a 54-year-old Alzheimer's patient from Portland, Oregon, end her life in Oakland County, Michigan. In **1998**, a federal judge sentenced Terry Nichols to life in prison for his role in the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. **Ten years ago:** China's Li Na captured her first Grand Slam singles title, becoming the first tennis player from China to achieve such a feat. **Five years ago:** A day after the death of Muhammad Ali, President Barack Obama said the boxing legend "shook up the world and the world is better for it," and that Ali stood with Martin Luther King Jr. and Nelson Mandela in fighting for what was right. **One year ago:** In the first of a series of memorials set for three cities over six days, celebrities, musicians and political leaders gathered in front of George Floyd's golden casket in Minneapolis. In an incident captured by a TV news crew, a 75-year-old protester, Martin Gugino, fell and hit his head on the pavement after being pushed backward by two police officers in Buffalo, New York. **Today's Birthdays:** Sex therapist and media personality Dr. Ruth Westheimer is 93. Actor Bruce Dern is 85. Musician Roger Ball is 77. Actor-singer Michelle Phillips is 77. Jazz musician Anthony Braxton is 76. Rock musician Danny Brown (The Fixx) is 70. Actor Parker Stevenson is 69. Actor Keith David is 65. Blues singer-musician Tinsley Ellis is 64. Actor Eddie Velez is 63. Singer-musician El DeBarge is 60. Actor Julie White is 60. Actor Lindsay Frost is 59. Actor Sean Pertwee is 57. Former tennis player Andrea Jaeger is 56. Opera singer Cecilia Bartoli is 55. R&B singer Al B. Sure! is 53. Actor Scott Wolf is 53. Actor-comedian Rob Huebel is 52. Comedian Horatio Sanz is 52. Actor James Callis is 50. Actor Noah Wyle is 50. Rock musician Stefan Lessard (The Dave Matthews Band) is 47. Actor-comedian Russell Brand is 46. Actor Angelina Jolie is 46. Actor Theo Rossi is 46. Alt-country singer Kasey Chambers is 45. Actor Robin Lord Taylor is 43. Rock musician JoJo Garza (Los Lonely Boys) is 41. Model Bar Refaeli is 36. Olympic gold medal figure skater Evan Lysacek is 36. Americana singer Shakey Graves is 34. Rock musician Zac Farro is 31.

— Associated Press

DEAR ABBY

Write to Dear Abby online at dearabby.com or by mail at P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069



Dear Abby: My wife and I separated three months ago. She has moved out into her own apartment. We are not legally separated or divorced. She removed her wedding ring three weeks after she left. I want to reconcile. Whether she does at this point, she's not sure. She says she isn't seeing anyone, nor is she interested in anyone. I want to keep wearing my wedding ring, but because she's not wearing hers, I feel like an idiot wearing mine. What is the proper etiquette for us?

— *Can't Let Go*

Dear Cant' Let Go: A wedding ring indicates that the person — female or male — is unavailable for a romantic involvement. When your wife removed her ring, the message she was sending out is that her marriage is over — whether you two are officially divorced or not. Now you need to do what is comfortable for yourself. Because you want to reconcile, give her a deadline to make up her mind whether the separation is permanent, and suggest marriage counseling to settle your differences. After that, if she still isn't interested and wants a divorce, talk to a lawyer.

Dear Abby: I live in an affluent neighborhood where a group of us get together for drinks, holidays, etc. But out of seven women in the group, only two or three are given birthday parties every year. The rest of us are never acknowledged — not even with a card.

I'm tired of going to celebrate someone else's birthday when mine is passed over with no mention. This may seem petty, but after years

of this, it has gotten old. I've thought of saying something, but I'm not sure how to express it. Or should I just keep my mouth shut?

— *Overlooked in South Carolina*

Dear Overlooked: Is everyone in that group aware of when all of the members' birthdays are? Because you haven't spoken up, they may not be. I don't think it would be poor form to pipe up at the next get-together that "Jennifer," "Angelina," "Viola" and you also have birthdays coming up and when they occur. If none of them are acknowledged after that, speak up as a group and say humorously that your feelings are hurt. However, if still no effort is made, the four or five of you should consider celebrating your birthdays separately.

Dear Abby: In the last few years, a good friend has grown increasingly radical in his political views, which caused a severe rupture in our friendship. I am still hurt by what transpired because it turned personal at one point.

My friend has now written an apology for his extremism and asked for my forgiveness. I can't help but wonder whether, if the political climate hadn't changed, he would be apologizing now. How do I forgive my friend, and perhaps open a path to a renewed friendship, while I still feel this way?

— *Nervous About This in New York*

Dear Nervous: You can (possibly) manage it by concentrating on the positive aspects of the relationship you shared rather than dwelling on the pain of the rupture. It can be done. It's called selective memory.

YOUR HOROSCOPE

By Georgia Nicols

Stars show the kind of day you'll have

★★★★★ DYNAMIC | ★★★ POSITIVE | ★★ AVERAGE | ★ SO-SO | ★ DIFFICULT

MOON ALERT: There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today. The Moon is in Aries.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2021: You have the charisma to be convincing and draw people to you. You are restless, versatile and lovable to others. You are also trustworthy and reliable. Domestic responsibility will be your theme this year, which is why you will be focused on your obligations to home, friends and family. Finances and romance look promising.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ You have a strong need to communicate lately, which might be prompted by the fact that, once again, you're in touch with old friends and relatives. Nevertheless, you are restless and taking short trips. (Again?) Look for ways to bounce your ideas off someone. Tonight: Talk to someone.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ You have money on your mind — cash flow, earnings, assets and, of course, your possessions. In fact, you're thinking a lot about this right now. Today things are nicely balanced in your mind because some behind-the-scenes news or research makes you feel better. Tonight: Watch your money.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Today everything is pretty copacetic. The Sun is in your sign dancing nicely with the Moon in Aries. Naturally, with Mercury retrograde taking place in your own sign, things are frustrating. Silly errors and misplaced items! Oy! Courage. Tonight: You're in charge.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Even though you're happy to take a back seat at the moment, nevertheless, Venus and Mars are both in your sign pushing you to be sociable, friendly and physically active with others — even competitive! (Venus will smooth all your relations with everyone.) Tonight: People notice you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You want to socialize with others today, especially people who are far away or different. In part, this is because you want the stimulation of talking to someone fascinating as well as a chance to learn something new and expand your world. Smart choice. Tonight: Do something different.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ With the Sun still at high noon in your chart casting you in a flattering spotlight, you are unstoppable! Go after what you want, because you look good to others, especially bosses and VIPs. Timing is everything. Make your pitch! Tonight: You have a winning hand.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ It's Friday and this is a great day to schmooze with everyone! Be prepared to go more than halfway when dealing with others, because today the Moon is opposite your sign. (Aries and Libra are 180 degrees opposite.) Make sure that whatever you do is stimulating and a tad adventurous. Hmmm? Tonight: Enjoy schmoozing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Do yourself a favor. It's the end of the week and the planetary energy right now will help you finish some kind of job or project, perhaps related to your work or some financial matters. Whatever the case, do what you can to get this stuff off your plate. Just do it. Tonight: Tidy up things.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ It's Friday and you're in a playful mood! Enjoy fun times with kids, sports activities and entertaining diversions. Ex-partners might be back in the picture, which could complicate things — or not. Your breezy style will probably take everything in stride. Tonight: Party and play!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Be patient with partners and close friends, because with Mars opposite your sign, it's easy to be annoyed with someone. (Of course, they might be annoying!) You've been working hard, which is why you want to cocoon at home. It figures. Tonight: Relax.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ TGIF! You've been in party mode this week and perhaps enthused about sports events or fun activities with kids. Romance is also looking cozy! That's why today you are eager to talk to others and get the latest scoop on what's happening. Tonight: Be friendly.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You have been strongly focused on home and family, in part because relatives might be in touch again. Today you are balancing money and how to handle your possessions and keep everyone happy. Fear not, because you will be able to do this. Why? You bring the magic! Tonight: Entertain at home.



Dawn Kane collects trash outside her tent along NE Emerson Avenue in Bend on Thursday.

Ryan Brennecke/The Bulletin

Homeless

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Kane is one of dozens of campers who will be moved off Emerson Avenue near Bi-Mart in the near future. The road is home to roughly 38 camps, according to King, and has been growing in size since the beginning of this year.

Things that can make a campsite unsafe, according to the administrative order, are camps being in or near the roadway, environmental issues like trash or human waste, or the "amount or seriousness" of crime being reported by the Bend Police. In a document given to the council, Bend Police cite accumulation of trash and waste, "multiple crime reports taken" in the area and a fire incident where a tent burned down as reasons to justify moving the camp.

Outreach efforts to notify people are slated for sometime next week, King said. While the administrative policy says the city must give 72 hours notice, King said the intention is to spend longer than that doing outreach.

"This is not a blanket statement by any means to those individuals experiencing homelessness. There are just certain situations where health and safety is a concern," King said.

The number of unhoused people has continued to increase in Central Oregon, bringing the issue to the forefront of local politics. Preliminary numbers from a Point in Time count conducted in January show a 13% increase in the population over last year — an estimate that is likely to be lower than reality, said Colleen Thomas, the Deschutes County homeless services coordinator, in the meeting Wednesday.

The administrative policy comes after the city received several complaints about homeless people around the city, and several specifically referencing Emerson Avenue. In a public records request, The Bulletin received dozens of emails sent to the City Council complaining about the encampments over the past two months.

Some raised concerns about feeling unsafe around encampments. Others cited trash and other waste as a part of their frustration. But above all there was a sense of frustration about the character of the city changing, and fears that Bend is turning into a city like Portland and Seattle, which have large homeless populations.

"Bend is turning into Portland and I want out. And I will take my substantial property taxes with me," a resident named Joan Rowe wrote to the council in May.

But advocates for the homeless call the new policy inhumane when the city has no place for people to go.

"If you are not willing to provide a safe place for these people to move, you have a moral obligation to not to move them," Ashley Nissa, a Culver resident

who says she provides services to homeless people in Bend, told the council Wednesday.

Several homeless activists called into the Wednesday meeting irritated by the fact that trash and waste were being used as reasons to clear the camp when volunteers have set up portable toilets and offer trash service to this area specifically to address these issues. Some also challenged the narrative that people camping along the roadway was the problem.

"They're not the ones making the street unsafe; it's the 10-ton trucks going 60 mph," Bend resident Moey Newbold said to the council.

Some asked why the city doesn't just close the road to traffic until there are enough places for people to go. When asked whether this was ever considered, King said it had not been, and that typically the city only closes streets for short-term things like events rather than indeterminate closures.

A long-term closure would require a significant public process, he said.

The city does have several homeless initiatives in the works. A low barrier shelter run by Shepherd's House Ministries with 70 beds opened on Tuesday, making it Bend's first long-term shelter for anyone.

The city is also in the process of purchasing the Bend Value Inn, which will provide roughly 20 shelter beds, with money from the state Legislature from a program called Project Turnkey. King also mentioned the city is looking for publicly owned land around the county to create a managed camp.

In Wednesday's meeting, Councilor Anthony Broadman proposed offering \$1.5 million of federal COVID-19 relief money to Deschutes County as a match to any money the county would put in to get the process of planning a managed camp going in the next 30 days.

While homeless advocates are supportive of the city's efforts to address homelessness, the reality is there is still no place at this point for service providers to tell homeless campers to go. The shelter is a start, but only runs at night, leaving people with nowhere to

go during the day.

"We are pushing people back to China Hat, back to Hunnell (Road), people are going right back into little areas in residential areas," Stacey Witte, the executive director of the homeless nonprofit REACH, said Wednesday. "We are not taking a problem away. We are pushing it to another location."

When asked why the city couldn't wait until more shelter beds came online before moving campers, King said the city has to balance looking at ways to provide housing capacity for homeless people and the responsibility of managing the city's rights of ways.

James Cook, a co-chair of the Central Oregon Leadership Coalition, criticized the city for the lack of communication about the administrative policy before bringing it to the council, and compared the situation to the city's efforts to remove campers on Juniper Ridge last year.

"The city announces something and then gives more time for outreach, and then ultimately goes ahead and then pats itself on the back (for) working with service providers," Cook said Tuesday.

Whenever the city does issue notices, Kane said her plan is to go to another camp site in Bend she has identified.

Because of a traumatic brain injury that happened a few years ago, Kane said she is unable to work due to memory loss and being almost completely blind. Before that, she became homeless while running away from an abusive spouse and while battling an addiction, leaving her few resources to find a place to live on her own.

She hopes housing will become available so she can use her voucher, but with the price of housing skyrocketing in Bend, she did not appear confident.

While standing by her tent in the sweltering heat radiating from the asphalt, Kane did issue a warning to those who judge people in her situation.

"Don't ever think you're exempt," she said. "They could just as easily be in this spot."

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