

ALEXIS & MARK'S NEWS

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A Note From Alexis & Mark

February was the month of birthdays in the Breyer household. All three of our oldest girls are born in February. Karina, who is born in October, broke the February birthday mold for Breyer girls. Ariella turned 7, Kailey turned 12, and Talia turned 6!

Ariella had her birthday party at home. We invited a small amount of girls and did arts and crafts projects and ordered pizza. The girls colored paper which we put inside see-through cups so they could display their art. The kids also "painted" ceramic piggy banks - not actually with paint, but with magic markers. I also bought some construction paper with sticky letters so they all made cards for their loved ones. I think the girls enjoyed all the TV breaks they took more than they enjoyed anything else. It's funny that the simplest things.... and most often free or inexpensive things... are what kids like best. (Editor's Note from Mark: I had to coach two games of flag football for Tate on the day of Ariella's party. There was a one-hour break between the games, so Tate, Zev and I ran home from the game to go be a part of Ariella's party. Of course, it did not hurt that Alexis had ordered pizza just around the time we were going to show up. When I showed up, all of the girls were quietly working on art projects or watching TV together. The quiet just did not seem right, so I had all the girls screaming and yelling and riled up while I handed out pizza . . . the I immediately left to go back to the game, leaving Alexis with a much louder house. Just glad I could be of help and a part of Ariella's birthday party!)

Kailey and Talia have not yet had their birthday parties. Kailey wants to go to Laser Quest and Talia wants to ride ponies for her birthday. We are still in the planning stages. It's not easy planning all these birthday parties. It's like I need an event coordinator. I suppose I realize I have had a lot of kids when it gets to the point that I feel I need an event coordinator to plan all the kid's parties. We actually missed Kailey's birthday because we were at a legal conference. However, I got her a pair of boots that she loved for a long time so I think she's forgiven us for not being there on her birthday.

A Little About The Law:

Can an Injury Victim Still File a Personal Injury Lawsuit after Admitting to not Wearing a Seatbelt?

The simple answer to this question is yes. You can file a lawsuit for injuries you suffered even if you were not wearing your seatbelt. However, even if you prove that the other driver was negligent and that the injuries suffered resulted from the accident, you will still need to deal with another issue. The driver's insurance company will most probably hire an expert witness to help develop evidence to the effect that the injuries incurred in the accident would not have been as serious if the plaintiff had worn a seatbelt. This in essence will determine the proportion of the responsibility for the injuries that were due to your negligence in not wearing a seatbelt, and the driver who caused the accident, as well as the driver's insurance company, will not have to pay the difference.

We understand and sympathize with people who come to us after an accident that they did not cause but in which they were not wearing a seatbelt. Of course, they wish they had worn their seatbelt. They did not wear their seatbelt in this situation, but would still like to make a personal injury claim. The claim may still be viable even if you did not wear your seatbelt, as the burden of proof lies with the driver who was at fault to show that the injuries sustained could have been lessened or prevented by wearing a seatbelt. To learn more about what can be done regarding your specific situation, please give us a call.

Protect Your Children!

Is there a sex offender in your neighborhood? visit: www.azdps.gov to find out.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Arizona Geographic Facts!

- ◆ The highest temperature recorded in Arizona is 128°F recorded on June 29, 1994 at Lake Hayasu
- ◆ The lowest temperature recorded in Arizona is -40°F recorded on January 7, 1971 at Hawley Lake.
- ◆ The 13 rays of red and gold on the top half of the flag represent both the 13 original colonies of the Union, and the rays of the Western setting sun.
- ◆ Since Arizona was the largest producer of copper in the nation, a copper star was placed in the flag's center. Flag was adopted in 1917.
- Arizona is the 6th largest state with 113,628 square miles, the 18th most populous state with 5,944,351 people and is approximately 400 miles long and 310 miles wide

"Fun facts all per www.davidstuff.com/geo/arizona.htm"

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CHILD SAFETY Questions

Q. We were just in a car accident. Fortunately, everyone was restrained and no one was injured. Can we still use our children's car seats even though they were in an accident?

A. It depends. If it was a moderate or severe crash, then yes, you should replace the car seats.

However, if it was just a minor accident, then you may not automatically need to. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, an accident is minor if:

- the vehicle was able to be driven away from the crash site;
- the vehicle door nearest the safety seat was undamaged;
- 3. there were no injuries to any of the vehicle occupants;
- 4. the air bags (if present) did not deploy; AND
- 5. there is no visible damage to the safety seat.

If your accident meets all of those criteria, then you may not need to replace their car seats. If it was a more moderate or severe crash or if you aren't sure if your child's car seat is still safe, then you should replace it or at least have it checked at a *Child Safety Seat Inspection Station*

visit: http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/CPS/CPSFitting/Index.cfm

safety information provided by: www.About.com

A NOTE FROMALEXIS & MARK

For Talia's birthday we all went to Amazing Jakes for what seemed like a week (actually about 3 hours) and then we went to a event for Purim, which is a Jewish Holiday where the kids dress up and play. (Editor's Note from Mark: Kailey turned 12, so she thinks she is a grown-up and did not seem to care at all that we were not there. Still, I am sure we can expect reminders in the future that we did not even make sure we were home for her birthday. As far as Kailey's birthday party, that will happen when she stops acting like a 12 year old and starts acting like a sweet, loving daughter. Thus, at this rate, we should be allowing her to have her 12th birthday party around the time she turns 24. As far as Talia, she is definitely influenced by her older siblings. The other day, she asked me, "Daddy, what song do you like better, "Party in the USA" or "Damn Girl" - one is a pop song, the other a rap song, and neither is a song that my oldest kids would have even heard at the

went to McDonalds for all the kids based on Talia's last birthday request and I gave in and ordered Happy Meals for all the kids as Pierce thought it was the end of the world if he did not get his star wars toy. I seriously would like to speak to McDonald's marketing people. Pierce has been asking for this star wars toy from McDonald's Happy Meal for the last couple of weeks. I think Karina recognizes the M for McDonald's symbol wherever she sees it and is already addicted to McDonald's McNuggets. Either McDonald's has the secret to marketing or they are putting something in the children's food! Maybe the key is to market to children? Anyways we usually don't get the kids happy meals so it was a freat for them and they were all very excited. (Editor's Note from Mark: Alexis did not mention that the McDonald's people failed to put a Star Wars toy in the bag, instead giving Pierce a "girl's toy" for his Happy Meal. Pierce just about lost it when he realized he was not getting his Star Wars toy. Not a pretty sight. Apparently, a Star Wars toy from McDonald's to a four year old boy is about the same as \$1,000,000 to you and me. Big deal. Really big deal!)

Zev took a field trip with his class to the zoo. I asked him if he wanted me to chaperone as they were looking for parents to tag along but he said, "No." I'm not sure who would have been more upset – Zev, if I chose to go on his field trip over his objections, or Pierce when he did not get his Star Wars toy. Needless to say, Zev was emphatic that his mom not go on his 7th grade field trip. Unlike Zev, Kailey actually invited me to go on her school field trip to the Renaissance Festival. I think she thought that if she invited me, I would buy her a lot of stuff. So Kailey was probably disappointed when she found out that all I brought to the festival was my charge card (since I left my pocketbook in the car so I would not have to carry it) and that no one at the festival took charge cards!

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Luckily, I found someone who charged my card and gave me some cash so Kailey and I could eat. I made a mental note to myself that if I ever do go to a festival again to make sure I bring cash.... or at least my bank card! (Editor's Note from Mark: The Zoo? The Renaissance Festival? These are not school field trips. These are a day off school. When I was in school, we took field trips to the planetarium, the science museum, places like that. And we had to walk there, uphill, in the snow, with no shoes on . . . or at least that is what I tell the kids.)







Pierce

Talia

Last but not least, little Karina. Karina is now almost totally potty trained and sleeping in a big girl bed. She came home counting to ten a couple of months ago and then yesterday she was counting to ten in Spanish. I think she is trying to surpass all her siblings in every way. I wasn't sure how smart she was but I am totally sure she is super smart because the last week when Mark and I have come home together she has started running straight to me and running right by him. I knew her smarts would kick in one day, I just wasn't sure it's be this soon! (Editor's Note from Mark: I knew Karina was smart a year ago, when she was singing the Michigan State Fight song. She thus accomplished what all her siblings before her had accomplished . . . learning the MSU fight song before she learned her ABCs! By the way, Karina will not go to bed. She just refuses. Her sleeping outside of her crib is a problem, because there is no way to keep her in her room. Every night, almost without exception, she is the last kid to bed. She is talking very well now - having learned everything in about a month, it seems. Until then, her answer to everything was an emphatic "NO!" She did not even know what you were saying, and still wanted you to know you were wrong. Smart and stubborn . . . maybe not the easiest combination for her poor father!)

CHECK OUT OUR NEW BLOGS!

Thanks to everyone for all your referrals as always. If you have any legal questions remember to call or email us anytime. Also, we have started new blogs that you can subscribe to: Visit

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They are new so they don't have many entries but the entries will be coming.....

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 - Nursing home abuse ◆ Dog Bites
- ◆ Slip and falls ◆ All Personal Injury

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SOMETHING OUR CLIENTS

Testimonial Steven F. - Peoria, Arizona
I was in a car accident. My children found Breyer Law while
I was in the hospital. Everything was handled well. Alexis
was almost like a family member. It was a great experience. Don't be stupid, call Breyer Law!

If you have a testimonial for us please send to lucia@breyerlaw.com We love to hear from you!

Do Something Fun: Dinner Party!

Dinner Parties are the perfect way to connect with friends, so here we have a dinner party recipe for those fun times!

Prime Rib

Ingredients:
Prime Rib Roast, at room temperature
Dijon mustard
Thyme
Garlic, minced
Salt & Pepper



- With the roast bone side down, starting at the tail or narrow end, make a "flap", by cutting the fat strip on top of the meat, going toward the thicker part.
- 2. Lay the fat strip back, and set aside.
- Mix Dijon, thyme, garlic, salt and pepper in small bowl. Rub this mixture on top of the meat, under the flap. Replace the flap and use kitchen string to loosely wrap the meat.
- 4. Place roast in oven roasting pan.
- 5. Preheat overn to 500° F. Multiply the roast weight on the package times 5 minutes and set a timer for this amount of time in minutes. Place the
- 6. Once the timer goes off, turn off the oven but leave the roast in the oven for at least 2 hours.
- During this time do not open the door, as the meat is still cooking very slowly.
- · for a side dish you can serve a salad, baked potato or steamed veggies!

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THE 7 FUTURE BREYER LAWYERS!



Karina 2, Pierce 4, Talia 5, Ariella 6, Tate 9, Kailey 11, Zev 12

TOYOTA RECALLS



Do you own or drive a Toyota? Have you heard about the many injuries caused by these Toyota defects?

As many of you have probably heard, Toyota has announced two safety recalls in regards to some of their models. The first recalls has to do with the "Floor Entrapment." Basically that is where it is alleged that the driver's floor mat is interferring with the brake and accelerator. The second recall is with regards to the "Pedal." This is where the accelerator pedal is getting stuck. Toyota is taking calls Monday-Friday from 5:00a.m.-6:00p.m. PST and Sat-Sun from 7:00a.m.-4:00p.m. PST.

To learn more about the "Floor Mat Entrapment" recall you can visit http://www.toyota.com/recall/floormat.html.

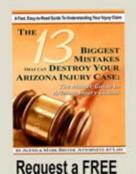
To learn more about the "Pedal" recall, you can visit http://www.toyota.com/recall/pedal.html.

If you have been injured or know anyone who has been injured or has questions on these types of recalls and injury claim have them give us a call.



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