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Spring is Here!

IS YOUR GARDEN READY?

I can always tell Spring is here, even before you see any plant growth, when my allergies start flaring. Everything is growing now. Here are **10 Tips** for getting your garden ready for the season.

PULL THOSE WEEDS

Whether you're seeing left-over weeds from last year or new ones that sprouted in cool weather, eliminate them now when the ground's still soft from winter.

PRUNE THE SUMMER-BLOOMING FLOWERING SHRUBS

End of winter to early spring is prime time to prune shrubs that flower from late June through Fall.



FERTILIZE THE BEDS

Once the ground thaws, apply granular fertilizer around the trees, shrubs and perennials. Inspect trees and shrubs for winter damage. Prune off any broken, dead or storm damaged branches.

GET RID OF DEAD PERENNIAL LEAVES

If you didn't already cut back your frost-killed perennial flowers last fall, rake or clip off that browned foliage now. It'll clear the way for this year's new growth, which will be pushing up shortly.

DIVIDE PERENNIALS

Right before new growth begins is an ideal time to dig and divide most perennial flowers that are growing beyond where you'd like them. Replant divided



clumps ASAP, and water them well in their new home.

RAKE MATTED LEAVES

Matted leaves should be raked or blown off of the lawn and out of evergreen groundcover beds so these green plants can take in sunlight.



REMOVE WINTER PROTECTION

As the threat of frost wanes, remove burlap barriers, wraps and other protective material from around landscape plants that needed the extra winter protection.

PROBLEM PREVENTION

Apply a granular weed preventer on the garden beds. Your lawn could also use some good fertilizer and weed killer as well as a moss killer.

EDGE BEDS

The end of winter is a good time to cut sharp edges along all garden beds.

This not only neatens the landscape, it creates a "lip" to contain mulch that can be applied once the soil warms consistently for the season.



Happy Spring!

Thank You for Your Referrals!!

Referrals from family, friends, and clients are the highest compliment we can receive. We thank you for trusting us with your closest friends and loved ones.

This month, we want to recognize the following friends for their referrals:

- Charles Duff
- Brandon Johnson
- Lee Scott & John Meyers
- Melissa Dill

Thank you!



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Spring Cleaning? Don't forget the salt!



- **POUR A BIT OF SALT**, followed by a few cups of boiling water down your kitchen drain once a week to prevent clogs or unpleasant smells.
- **GREASY PAN?** Scour it with some salt and a paper towel before washing.
- **POUR SALT OVER** a grease fire to smother it quickly.
- **SALT CAN REMOVE GREASE FROM CLOTHING.** Simply pour some salt on a fresh grease spot to soak up some of the grease. Then gently scrub some more salt into the fabric. Rinse before washing.
- **A PASTE OF VINEGAR AND SALT** can add shine to old copper pans and molds.
- **SALT MAKES A GREAT RUST REMOVER** for getting bicycles moving again in the spring, or for refreshing worn household objects. Make a paste using three parts salt to one part lemon juice.

April 1 - 30 Skagit Valley Tulip Festival

Spectacular fields of blooming tulips and daffodils. There is a free Tulip Festival street fair that takes place in Mt. Vernon, April 1 - 30. Visit www.tulipfestival.org/ for more details.

April 14 - 16 & 21 - 24 Puyallup Spring Fair

Spring Fair features baby animals, pig races, fair food, a garden show, and a demolition derby at the Puyallup Fair and Events Center. Visit www.thefair.com/spring-fair/.

April 15 - 17 Sakura-Con

Seattle's premier convention for anime and manga fans. The event features Japanese anime, graphic novels and pop culture like cosplay, anime screenings, gaming, live music, exhibits and guest speakers.

Visit www.rostercon.com/en/eventconvention/sakura-con-2022.

April 16 Earth Day Run

Earth Day Run is at Magnuson Park. For more information, visit www.magnusonseries.org/earthday.

April 28 - May 8 Washington State Apple Blossom Festival

The Washington State Apple Blossom Festival in sunny Wenatchee offers apple pie, arts and crafts, golf, a car show, a carnival, a parade, and run. Details at www.appleblossom.org.

April Events



GAS PRICES ARE GOING TO THE MOON, WHICH MEANS MORE BICYCLES ON ROAD

Bicycling in Washington is a great way to get exercise, save money on gas, and reduce air pollution. It's also an excellent way to enjoy the beautiful scenery of our state. But drivers don't always pay attention to bicyclists on the roadways, and with more people on bicycles now than ever before, injury accidents are also on the increase. **Here in Washington state alone, at least 670 people were injured in bicycle accidents in 2021.**



If you were injured in a bicycle accident caused by another person's negligence or recklessness, you are legally entitled to damages to cover the total costs involved with your recovery. But getting compensation is far from automatic, and insurance companies like to look for reasons not to pay. Let's take a closer look at what kinds of damages you can recover in a bicycle accident case—and what to do to ensure you actually recover those damages.

DAMAGES YOU MAY RECOVER

When you file a personal injury claim for a bicycle accident, you must demonstrate that the person at fault was negligent and that their negligence caused your injuries. When you are successful, you should be able to recover all of the following damages that apply:

- **Medical expenses** (both past and future)
- **Lost wages** (past and future)
- **Lost earning capacity** (if your injuries permanently affect your ability to work)
- **Out-of-pocket costs** (e.g., home care while you're recovering)
- **Pain and suffering**

YOU MUST BE INTENTIONAL IN RECOVERING DAMAGES

The total of the damages mentioned may come to much more money than you realize because your attorney is not just going to calculate your current losses but also estimate your future losses. You should also be compensated a fair amount for intangible losses like pain, suffering, emotional trauma, and more. Taken together, these damages are the amount needed not just to pay your bills but to *make you whole*.

And yet, you must also recognize that the defendant's insurance isn't going to hand over all that money just because you're legally entitled to it. Not only will they try to undercalculate and pay the bare minimum, but because Washington is a pure comparative fault state, they can get your settlement

reduced if they can show that you share some fault. This is precisely why it's important to fight for your fair compensation. If you are the least bit passive, you may end up paying for more of the cost of your recovery than you realize.

STEPS TO TAKE TO PROTECT YOUR FAIR COMPENSATION

Understanding that you must be proactive in getting compensated for your bicycle injuries, what can you do after a bicycle accident to protect your interests for filing a personal injury claim?



Here are some tips that may help:

- **Obtain a police report of the accident.** The police report can provide strong evidence as to who is at fault in the accident.
- **Gather evidence at the scene.** Take photos and gather witness information and anything else that helps tell the story of what happened so you can prove your case.

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Shelly's RECIPE CORNER

Coconut Lime Martinette

(Alcohol-Free)

Ingredients:

- 2 cups ice cubes, or as needed
- 2 cups pineapple juice
- 1/2 cup fresh lime juice
- 1/2 cup unsweetened coconut cream
- 1 lime, cut into 8 wedges

Directions:

Fill a pitcher with ice. Pour pineapple juice, lime juice, and coconut cream over ice. Cover pitcher with a secure lid and shake mixture vigorously. Strain mixture into martini glasses and garnish with lime wedges.

If you want to add alcohol, a good Tequila, Rum or even Gin will work well. Enjoy!



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- Get medical attention. Get checked out even if you don't think you're seriously injured because you may have internal injuries that aren't evident yet. If you don't get medical help to minimize any complications, it could work against your case in the long term.
• Contact an experienced personal injury attorney right away. Having a good attorney will improve your chances of full, timely compensation.

HOW A LAWYER CAN HELP YOU

Our experienced personal injury attorneys understand the dynamics and complexities of bicycle accidents and how to prove fault. The attorney will be able to properly value your claim and all damages you're entitled to receive, negotiate with insurers for fair settlements, and, if necessary, pursue your case aggressively in court.

The Max Meyers Law Firm has extensive experience with bicycle injury accidents in Washington state, and we know how to help you recover the full amount of damages you should receive. Call for a free consultation at 425-399-7000.



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