

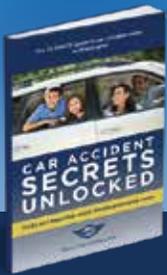


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What are you Looking Forward to Most Post Pandemic?

GOOD RIDDANCE 2020... HERE WE COME 2021!

I think it is safe to say that we are ALL ready for a fresh start this year in 2021. We all had to cancel plans and make sacrifices in 2020 due to travel bans and lockdowns. With a COVID vaccine on the horizon, we just may be able to start getting back to some sort of normal in the weeks and months to come.

There is a quote that says "People say you don't know what you've got until it's gone. Truth is, you knew what you had, you just never thought you'd lose it." Having lived through the recent lockdown, what are you missing the most? What are you looking forward to doing again after the pandemic is over? We asked our friends and family members what they are missing the most and put together the following list - in no particular order:

Eating out

A lot of people said they plan to go to their favorite restaurant to order their favorite food and enjoy dining out.



Sporting Events

Thank goodness we have had some football to watch on tv, but for many it just isn't the same as being at the game with a live crowd. We are looking forward to cheering our Seahawks on from the sidelines!

Pampering

Many people we know have held off on their usual haircuts, pedicures, massages, and eyebrow waxing routines and are desperate for some TLC.



Live Music

We know some huge music lovers and not being able to go to concerts to see their favorite musicians has been tough, so they are looking forward to these events being rescheduled in 2021.



Shopping

People we know have avoided retail shopping as much as possible. And let's be honest, there is nowhere to go, so people aren't going clothes shopping like they normally would. People are looking forward to a getting out and having a reason to dress up!

Travel

It gets old staring at the same four walls for months on end. There are a lot of people out there who are looking forward to going on a vacation and getting out of their homes as soon as the pandemic is over.



Friends & family

We have really been missing our loved ones and are looking forward to big hugs and spending time together (in person... not on Zoom or Face-time) again.

What are you most looking forward to post pandemic? Send us an email with your answer to [dawn@maxmeyerslaw.com!](mailto:dawn@maxmeyerslaw.com)

WISHING YOU ALL A HAPPY, HEALTHY, AND EVENT FILLED 2021!

WHAT OUR CLIENTS ARE SAYING...

"I would use him again in a heartbeat."

"Max and his team were very helpful and were able to settle my case very fast and handle all the leg work. I would use him again in a heartbeat."

-Michael A.

"Always willing to do what they can to help."

"Great staff. Always willing to do what they can to help. Takes the time to make sure you fully understand everything and why."

-Anonymous



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Check out our Facebook page for current news, including changes and updates you should be aware of before hitting the road.



BLACK THURSDAY IS JANUARY 21ST THIS YEAR AT THE CAPITOL IN OLYMPIA

Black Thursday is a yearly event in January where motorcycle enthusiasts across Washington state ride to Olympia and meet with legislators to discuss motorcycle riding issues.

This event is a time for the motorcycle community to come together and protect the right to ride and fight for common ground motorcycling issues. This event was originally organized by ABATE of Washington, which is a non-profit organization whose main purpose is upholding citizen's Rights as they apply to Motorcyclists.

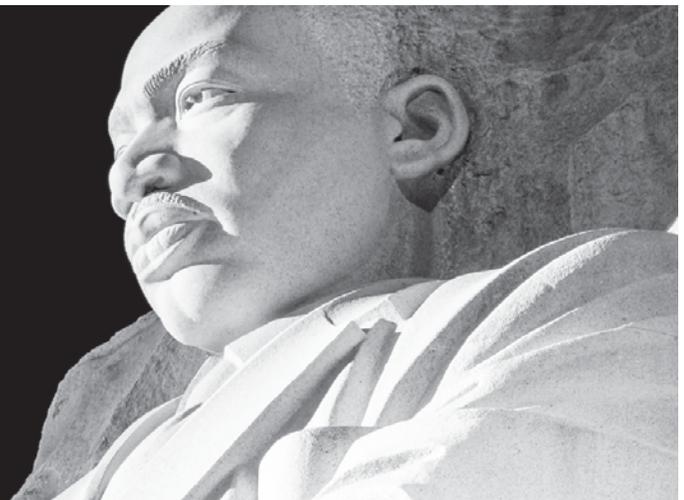
Black Thursday is a day where riders unite at the Washington State Capitol in Olympia to speak directly to our elected politicians regarding legislative issues pertaining to motorcyclists.

For more detailed information about Black Thursday, please visit the ABATE of Washington website at www.abate-wa.org.



I have a dream.

Monday, January 18th
is Martin Luther King Jr. Day



ARE PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS More Prevalent in Winter?

Studies have shown that more pedestrian accidents happened in the low light or dark part of each day. In Washington we have a paltry 8-9 hours of daylight per day from 8am to 4-5pm.

When we are going to work and coming home, we are in the dark for most of December and January. If you walk to work from home or a bus stop you know how dangerous it can be to cross a street in the dark. Especially, given how many distracted drivers are on cell phones these days, it's downright scary!

WHAT IS THE DEFINITION OF PEDESTRIAN?

Many people know that pedestrians must follow certain rules when walking along roadways, but what is the definition of pedestrian?

Section 47.04.010 (23) Revised Code of Washington defines a pedestrian as, "Any person afoot or who is using a wheelchair, power wheelchair... or a means of conveyance propelled by human power other than a bicycle."

It is important to note that cyclist are not treated as pedestrians and are subject to a different set of regulations while on the roadways. However, individuals on skateboards and roller skates are treated as pedestrians.

WHY THE DEFINITION OF A PEDESTRIAN IS SO IMPORTANT?

Why is it important to distinguish between pedestrians, bicyclists, and motor vehicle

drivers? Each class of individual using the roadways and walkways (driver, pedestrian, bicyclist) must follow certain rules applicable to them. These laws dictate who can cross the street when, who was right-of-way, etc., so everybody stays safe.

And in the event of an accident, knowing who had to follow which rules can help establish which party was negligent and liable for the pedestrian crash.



Pedestrians must follow traffic control signals and vehicles must yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. Pedestrians should be familiar with jaywalking rules, right-of-way, and other laws applicable to them as well as vehicles.

If a pedestrian violated a rule of the road – such as suddenly leaving the curb – then the pedestrian may be liable for an accident that this causes. But if a pedestrian was in a crosswalk when a vehicle overtook another car that

was stopped for the pedestrian, and in doing so struck the pedestrian, then that driver may be liable.

CROSSWALKS SHOULD BE YOUR BFF!

Crossing the street only in a crosswalk has become a bit of a running joke in our family because of how often I bug my extended family about making sure to use the crosswalk and only when the walk sign is light up. It's extremely hard for a car's insurance company to blame a pedestrian who's in a crosswalk for causing an accident.

Washington laws hugely favor pedestrians in a crosswalks. Liability is usually not disputed when a car hits a pedestrian in a crosswalk.

Walking an extra 50 feet to the corner so you can use the crosswalk is not a big deal. Especially when it means the difference between getting all your medical bills paid or not.

IF YOU'RE IN AN ACCIDENT AS A PEDESTRIAN, LAWYER UP IMMEDIATELY!

The sad reality of pedestrian accidents is that insurance companies will try to blame you for part if not all of the fault in causing the accident. Not all intersections have marked crosswalks or adequate lighting this time of year. Drivers will claim they never saw you or you just jumped out into the road. Getting good legal help as soon as possible is important for pedestrians. An accident investigation needs to be completed and witness statements secured before they disappear.

If another person caused an accident that injured you, call Max Meyers Law at **425-276-7804** to set up a consultation about your case.

Shelly's RECIPE CORNER

Pumpkin Chicken Curry

Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons canola oil, divided
- 1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breast halves, cut into cubes
- ¾ cup chopped yellow onion
- 1 tablespoon grated fresh ginger
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons yellow curry powder
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon ground coriander
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup LIBBY'S 100% Pure Pumpkin
- ½ cup coconut milk

Directions:

Heat 1 tablespoon canola oil in a medium sauté pan over medium heat. Brown chicken pieces in the pan, being sure to brown the meat on all sides. Place the chicken on a plate and set aside.

Heat remaining tablespoon canola oil in the same pan over medium heat. Sauté onion, ginger, and garlic until the onion is translucent, approximately 2-3 minutes.

I love any recipe with pumpkin... here is another yummy recipe that was shared by one of our avid newsletter readers!



Photo and recipe courtesy of verybestbaking.com

Stir in the curry powder, spices, and salt. Cook mixture an additional minute. Stir in the pumpkin and coconut milk, then add the browned chicken. Bring it to a simmer.

Reduce the heat and cook an additional 8-10 minutes until the chicken is cooked through and sauce is fragrant and homogenous.

Serve with rice or another grain. Enjoy!



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