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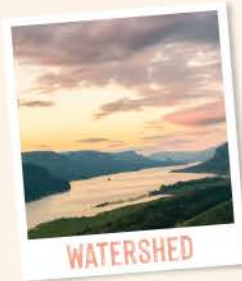
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**MUSIC FESTIVALS** WORTH CHECKING OUT!

We are huge fans of live music. It is one of the things that always makes us happy. In this day and age pursuing those things that make you happy and give you an experience to remember for a lifetime are worth every penny spent. Check out these big festivals across the USA.



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# Saint Patrick's Day Origins

Did you know Saint Patrick's Day originated as a religious holiday and feast? You probably guessed as much given the Saint Patrick title!

The day commemorates Saint Patrick and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland, and celebrates the heritage and culture of the Irish in general. Celebrations generally involve public parades and festivals, céilithe, and the wearing of green attire or shamrocks.

Saint Patrick was a 5th-century Romano-British Christian missionary and Bishop in Ireland. At the age of sixteen, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders and taken as a slave to Gaelic Ireland. He spent six years there working as a shepherd and that during this time he found God. Patrick returned to Ireland to convert the pagan Irish to Christianity. He spent many years evangelizing in the northern half of Ireland and converted thousands.

Patrick's efforts were eventually turned into an allegory in which he drove "snakes" out of Ireland, despite the fact that snakes were not known to inhabit the region.

Today we mostly use Saint Patrick's Day as a nice celebration of Irish traditions and heritage. Don't forget to wear your green on March 17th!

**Have a fun Saint Patrick's Day!**



## 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.

# MARCH EVENTS

## March 4 Bourbon Tasting

Sample 100 bourbons with heavy appetizers, and admire the view from the 21st floor, at the \$258 Bellevue Bourbon Bash at Daniel's Broiler, 10500 NE 8th St. in Bellevue.

## March 12 St. Patrick's Day Dash

The 5K run begins and ends at Seattle Center. (Dogs, strollers, and walkers start behind runners.) Start time is 8:30 am.

Visit [www.stpatsdash.com/race-info/](http://www.stpatsdash.com/race-info/) for details and to sign up.

## March 17 - 19 41st Annual Quilt Show - Monroe

Quilters Anonymous Annual Quilt Show at Evergreen State Fairgrounds, 11405 179th Ave. SE in Monroe. Admire 500 quilts, see demonstrations, and shop from vendors.

Visit [www.quiltersanonymous.org/qa/events/quilt-show/](http://www.quiltersanonymous.org/qa/events/quilt-show/) for details.

## March 25 Norwegian Festival - Seattle

Norwegian Heritage Day has a 5K run, Norwegian food, music, and crafts at Leif Erikson Hall in Ballard.

Visit [www.leiferiksonlodge.org/events-and-activities](http://www.leiferiksonlodge.org/events-and-activities) for more information.

## March 25 The Big Taste - Seattle

Get your taste on for amazing wines, beers, spirits and ciders. Live music and BBQ on hand. 5 - 8 pm. Being held at the historic Sandpoint Naval Air Station "Hangar 30" in Magnuson Park!

Visit [www.tickettomato.com/event/7812](http://www.tickettomato.com/event/7812) for more information.



# Driveways and Kids Can Equal Dangerous Accidents

Few people think of driveways as potential sources of danger. However, every year, thousands of Americans are injured in so-called back-over accidents. While individuals of any age could be stricken by an inattentive motorist trying to reverse their vehicle, children are especially and uniquely vulnerable.

## How Back-Over Accidents Happen

A back-over accident is a type of car crash that can happen when a driver who is moving their vehicle in reverse collides with another automobile, pedestrian, or cyclist. These crashes most often occur in:

- Driveways
- Parking lots
- Residential streets

While back-over collisions usually result in little damage to the vehicle, they can inflict serious injuries upon victims.

## Potential Injuries in Driveway Car Crashes

The injuries sustained in a back-over car accident vary depending on:

- The speed of the vehicle
- The size of the vehicle
- The age and health of the victim

However, common injuries resulting from driveway car crashes include but are not limited to:

- Severe bruises and contusions
- Serious cuts and lacerations
- Broken or fractured bones
- Traumatic brain injuries
- Loss of limb
- Wrongful death

## Liability in Back-Over Accidents

In most cases, the inattentive driver responsible for the accident will be liable for any resulting injuries and damages. However, you could also file a claim against:

- The owner of the driveway or parking lot
- The driver's employer, if they were working when the accident occurred
- A city or municipal corporation, if you or your loved one were injured by a local

government vehicle

- An automobile manufacturer or parts manufacturer, if a vehicular defect caused or contributed to the accident

## Potential Damages in a Washington Back-Over Claim

Washington state law affords accident victims the right to recover damages from any persons, parties, or entities whose negligence caused or contributed to their accident-related injuries. Max Meyers Law could help you claim damages for:

- Past, present, and anticipated medical care
- Physical rehabilitation
- Prescription medication co-pays
- The income you lost from work while recovering from your injuries
- The income you lost from work while taking care of your injured child
- Diminished earning potential
- Emotional pain and suffering
- Disability
- Disfigurement

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## Shelly's RECIPE CORNER

# Corned Beef

In honor of Saint Patrick's Day perhaps try your hand at making your own corned beef. It's delicious!!

## Ingredients:

- 2 quarts water
- 1 cup kosher salt
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons saltpeter
- 1 cinnamon stick, broken into several pieces
- 1 teaspoon mustard seeds
- 1 teaspoon black peppercorns
- 8 whole cloves
- 8 whole allspice berries
- 12 whole juniper berries
- 2 bay leaves, crumbled
- ½ teaspoon ground ginger
- 2 pounds ice
- 1 (4-5 pound) beef brisket, trimmed
- 1 small onion, quartered
- 1 large carrot, coarsely chopped
- 1 celery stalk, coarsely chopped

## Directions:

Place the water into a large 6 to 8 quart stockpot along with salt, sugar, saltpeter, cinnamon stick, mustard seeds, peppercorns, cloves, allspice, juniper berries, bay leaves and ginger. Cook over high heat until the salt and sugar have dissolved. Remove from the heat and add the ice. Stir until the ice has melted. If necessary, place the brine into the refrigerator until it reaches a temperature of 45 degrees F. Once it has cooled, place the brisket in a 2-gallon zip top bag and add the brine. Seal and lay flat inside a container, cover and place in the refrigerator for 10 days. Check daily to make sure the beef is completely submerged and stir the brine.

After 10 days, remove from the brine and rinse well under cool water. Place the brisket into a pot just large enough to hold the meat, add the onion, carrot and celery and cover with water by 1-inch. Set over high heat and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat to low, cover and gently simmer for 2 1/2 to 3 hours or until the meat is fork tender. Remove from the pot and thinly slice across the grain.





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## • Wrongful death

Washington does not currently cap the damages available for back-over car crash claimants. You could receive as much compensation as you need to clear your hospital debt, seek higher-quality health care, and begin reclaiming your independence.

However, you have to act fast. While Washington does not cap damages, the Evergreen State does have a strict statute of limitations.

## What to Do After a Serious Washington Driveway Accident

If you, or your child, have been injured in a serious Washington back-over accident that was not your fault, you could protect your right to a legal recovery by:

- **Calling the police.** While many people are hesitant to involve the police after an automobile accident, a law enforcement officer's written report could help you estab-

lish fault in an eventual insurance claim or personal injury lawsuit.

- **Seeking immediate medical attention.** You should always seek immediate medical attention after a back-over accident, even if you do not believe that your child's injuries are severe. Since children cannot always accurately identify or describe pain-related symptoms, a doctor could help identify, diagnose, and treat injuries you did not realize that your child suffered.

- **Collecting evidence.** If your child does not require urgent medical intervention, you could collect evidence from the accident site. You could take photographs of the reversed vehicle, the victim's visible injuries, and any nearby traffic control signals or road features that may have played a role in the collision.

- **Speaking to eyewitnesses.** If you believe that somebody else may have witnessed the

accident, ask them for their full name, phone number, and other contact information—their testimony could prove critical in court.

- **Contacting an attorney.** Studies have shown, time and time again, that car crash victims with experienced legal counsel are more likely to succeed in their personal injury claims than victims who try to represent themselves in court or insurance negotiations.

If you, a loved one, or friend have been in a vehicle accident cause by another driver and you have past injuries that were made worse, please call us before speaking with any insurance companies.

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