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A NOTE FROM MARK & ALEXIS

What we are Thankful for: Funny Things our Kids Say

KARINA (age 7)

At the very beginning of a movie, as it is just starting: "*How many more minutes?*"
At bed time: "*I have to go to sleep again?*"
"*The pool is brown. Can we go swimming?*"
"*Fruit flies keep following me and I don't have any fruit.*"

[Editor's Note from Mark] Most of our kids have to be pushed and prodded to go to sleep. Karina, on the other hand, will sometimes just head off to bed and go to sleep without a word being said. If she is awake and I give her a hug before she goes to sleep she will grab and hold onto my tie and not let me go! So it is easier if she goes on her own!

CADE (age 3)

"*This shirt says it's too scary for me to go upstairs*"
"*Can you stop talking.You are giving me a headache.*"
In the mirror: "*Hey, these guys all look like me.*"
Cade: "*Can you take me to Jacob's house?*"
Alexis: "*Sure. Where does he live?*"
Cade: "*I told you, nowhere.*"

[Editor's Note from Mark] Cade has been talking about Jacob for at least two years. Jacob is his "friend." In fact, Jacob is a friend of Tate's that was over our house a few times and must have been nice to Cade when Cade was about 2. Now Cade is convinced that he is "friends" with Jacob and that he and Jacob should hang out!

PIERCE (age 9)

"*All I want is to be in the NBA*" (My other boys wanted this as well. It took them a while to figure out that with their parents genes they wouldn't be heading to the NBA!)
Alexis: "*How was your day at school?*"
Pierce: "*Bad.*"
Alexis: "*Why was it bad?*"
Pierce: "*I had to learn.*" (Oh my! Pierce definitely is not a love of school type of kid. He would sit and play video games all day if he could.)

[Editor's Note from Mark] I do not know what Alexis is talking about. If Pierce still says he will play in the NBA, it seems totally reasonable to me. The other day Zev, Tate, Pierce, and me all went out to play basketball. It evolved into a series of one-on-one match-ups. For the most part, nobody went easy on Pierce but he kept trying just as hard. He did "win" a few, which probably kept him motivated. And allowed him to trash-talk his father, which is always a good thing!

ZEV (age 17)

Zev: "*Let's go to lunch.*"
Alexis: "*Great!*"
Zev drives to Arby's and wants to do drive thru
Alexis: "*Can we go in?*"
Zev: "*Why would we go in?*"
Alexis: "*Ahhhh Zev…*"
In the car and the song "Life is a Highway" comes on and I start to sing...
Zev: "*I really like that song so don't ruin it.*"
(Apparently my signing isn't so great!)

[Editor's Note from Mark] Zev often shows up at work and tries to get his mom to take him to lunch. I think it is awesome that he wants to spend that time with his mom - even if it is just to snag a free meal. And he almost never cares or even wants to pick where we go to eat. Alexis is also like that, so I have no idea how they ever decide on where to go if I am not there to help them!

TALIA (age 10)

Talia: "*I need a notebook.*"
Alexis: "*Why do you need a notebook?*"
Talia: "*It's a strategy my teacher and I have come up with. It's to help me stay quiet.*"
Alexis: "*Why don't you just not talk then you don't need a notebook!*"
Talia: "*I don't want to go to chess this afternoon.*"
Alexis: "*Too bad. I paid a lot of money. You are going.*"
Talia: "*Well, it comes back to you in a tax credit*"

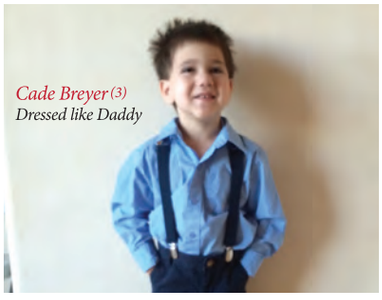
[Editor's Note from Mark] Talia is doing some amazing things recently. She will stay up to do her

★ VICTORY OF THE MONTH

After our client was struck crossing the street by a driver under the influence, he fell into a coma and suffered serious, life-threatening injuries. While our client focused on recovery, we were dedicated to holding the driver accountable and doing everything we could to keep the financial burden at a minimum for the victim. This was no easy task as the driver had no license and had no insurance.

Luckily, our client made a full recovery, but was left with over 135,000.00 in medical debt. Our client was in shock! There were many happy tears in this meeting on both sides of the table.

Ultimately, our job as attorneys is to help our clients obtain the best possible outcome while they focus on. We were elated to have exceeded the client's expectations!



Cade Breyer (3)
Dressed like Daddy

A NOTE FROM MARK & ALEXIS *(con'd)*

homework even if she is tired - and even when her homework is not being graded. She even created her own goal system - and showed it to her teacher! She also memorized an entire speaking project so she could deliver it better to her class!

KAILEY (age 16)

Kailey to Pierce: *"Come here I have to kiss you."*
Kailey to Cade: *"Come here I have to kiss you."*
Cade and Pierce run for their lives.
Kailey catches them and kisses them.
Cade and Pierce: *"I hate your kisses."*
Kailey laughing to her room.

[Editor's Note from Mark] Watching Kailey with the younger kids is consistently a combination of amusing and infuriating. She will kiss Cade, especially, until he gets mad. Usually that takes one kiss. But if it takes more, she will keep going until he screams. She will sneak up behind Cade and kiss him, Cade screams and runs away angry, and Kailey stands there laughing. This happens every day, often multiple times. Should be interesting watching their sibling relationship over the years!

TATE (Age 14)

Tate: *"Mom, You need to go to sleep now because Dad and I have to watch The Walking Dead."*
Alexis: *"Well I'm watching The Voice now."*
Tate: *"O.K. one more song. Walking Dead is too scary for you."*
(How funny! They actually waited ten minutes before putting on Walking Dead and I actually did go to sleep but then I had a dream someone cut my arm off on purpose so I think I must have been listening to this TV show.)

[Editor's Note from Mark] Tate wanted me to read the Hunger Games trilogy a couple years ago. He had read them and wanted to discuss them with me. I rarely read for pleasure, but finally did it so we could discuss it. *(I loved the books, by the way.)* Now Tate wanted me to watch the Walking Dead with him. It is just him and me, watching while Alexis sleeps. And it is a good thing, since I really am not sure if Tate is old enough to watch that show, but I am certain Alexis is not ready!

ARIELLA (Age 11)

Ariella told me a funny joke the other day. Ready?
Ariella: *"Mom, What did the math book say to the other mathbook?"*
Alexis: *"What Ariella?"*
Ariella: "The math book said I have a lot of problems."

[Editor's Note from Mark] Alexis and I requested a parent-teacher conference with Ariella's middle school teachers even though it is not mandatory at this age, but we know all the drama of middle school girls. That must've been the most glowing parent teacher conference we have ever been to. All three teachers told stories of how happy Ariella is and how she does in class. My favorite part: she participates too much!

A LITTLE ABOUT *Law*

MISTAKE #8 - Failing to Say "NO" to a Request for a Recorded Statement

When one child runs in the room in tears, the first question we ask is "What happened?" When someone is injured in an accident, the insurance companies involved will often ask the same. However, the insurance company will record the statement or document it verbatim.

We almost never advise clients to give recorded statements because they are not required. The insurance companies want the statement in order for their lawyer to twist and turn their words and potentially take the statement out of context. This statement is usually made while the victim is in pain and discomfort, and likely speaking freely and honestly, but not watching their every choice of words carefully. Recorded statements that are misinterpreted can greatly impact a settlement. We can usually overcome the anticipated twisting of words by the adverse party from what was state in the recorded statement. Still, getting a favorable result is more likely when these recorded statements are not provided.

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a yummy recipe:

HOMEMADE PUMPKIN SPICE LATTE

8 ounces brewed coffee *(or 1-2 shots of espresso)*
½ cup unsweetened vanilla almond milk
3 Tablespoons pumpkin puree
1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
½ teaspoon vanilla
2-3 drops of liquid stevia *(or sweetener of choice)*
Sprinkle of cinnamon

DIRECTIONS

In a cup or sauce pan, mix together almond milk and pumpkin. Cook on medium heat on the stove top or microwave for 30-45 seconds.

Remove from heat, stir in vanilla, spices and sweetener, place in a cup and use a frother to foam the milk. You can also use a blender - just process for 30 seconds or until foamy.

Pour coffee into a large mug, add the foamy milk mixture on top. Sprinkle with cinnamon. *Enjoy!*

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The Teacher Appreciation Award highlights one amazing teacher each month. The prize - $250, a special plaque and a pizza party for his or her classroom - is a way for Breyer Law to appreciate the hard work put in by teachers across the state. The nominations for the Teacher Appreciation Award are always accepted at the Breyer's website, www.breyerlaw.com/LawyersForTeachers. Nominations are ongoing, and may be made for any teacher that deserves special recognition.



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RAVING FAN Brittany Phipps

After my two year-old daughter had a 13 day hospital stay, I knew she would need ongoing treatment that I couldn't afford. I contacted The Husband and Wife Law Team when I didn't know where else to turn. Mark and his team handled our case with care, compassion, and a tremendous amount of knowledge. I truly felt they were looking out for the best interest of my daughter. Nothing about having an injured child is easy, but Mark and his team made this process simple by taking the time to make sure I understood every step.


Brittany's Children

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monthly top 10

1. Our main offices have moved! Due to an amazing staff and the best current and former clients anywhere, we outgrew the old space. Still doing some finish work, but keep your eyes open for an open house.

2. Mark is a board member on AMSAF (Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation) and we were able to achieve a $150,000 grant that was used to invest in motorcycle training to increase rider safety.

3. Our client was severely injured and needed the money from the at-fault party to help get life in order. The hospital filed a lien seeking $100,000 from our client.We fought and got the hospital to agree to accept only $175.00.

4. We recently closed out a successful settlement for a client and achieved an award greater than anything he ever expected. A fantastic individual, our client had kidney failure but was saved by a donation from his own brother!

5. A man had given up on the possibility of receiving any money from his settlement due to very high co-pays. A former client of ours (from ten years ago!) told him to call us. We were able to work our magic with the providers and reduce all co-pays and our client got a significant amount of money in his pocket.

6. We had a client who was hit by a drunk driver with minimal limits.We were able to get a lien from over $200,000 reduced to just $1,000. These victories led to a very happy meeting!

7. Check out our huge banner at a Phoenix YMCA! All our kids have played sports through the YMCA so we always support this great organization.

8. A client hired us to help with a wrongful death claim 14 years ago for her son's benefit. Now, all these years later, the money has grown and remained protected, and she was excited to let us know that this young child was now going to use that money for college. All these years later, the results still pay important dividends!

9. Our office was at the Arizona State Fair with AMSAF promoting motorcycle safety, right alongside Arizona DPS.

10. We sponsored a college football game tailgate here in Arizona for the Michigan State vs. University of Michigan game. Of course, the good guys (MSU) won. There were almost 300 people at the event. We gave away Michigan State cups, some T-shirts, and free coupons to a fantastic restaurant in Tempe: Detroit Coney Grill. If you haven't checked out Detroit Coney Grill, you must.

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