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THE LONG-AWAITED WARMTH OF JUNE

Embracing the Freedom and Excitement of Summer

Even though I was born in February, right in the heart of winter, June is hands down my favorite time of year; it's safe to say I was always more of a summer person. Living in Virginia means it's cool from about November to April, so I eagerly anticipate the warm summer months. Despite being accustomed to the cooler months, there is something exciting about running in the morning when the air isn't frigid anymore.

Among the many things I love about summer, my favorite has to be our annual family vacations. The traditions we keep make summer even more special to me. We take a vacation to South Carolina every year, which always proves to be a good reset button for all of us. The beginning of summer also means the start of baseball season, for which my son and I share a huge love. Watching the games together on TV is incredible, but nothing beats the adrenaline rush of taking in a game at Yankee Stadium.

Some of my best summer memories take me back to my childhood, specifically the trips to the beach. Kiawah Island, a vacation spot I have been visiting off and on since the 1980s, holds a place in my heart; those trips were filled with many moments I will never forget. Summer always meant freedom, especially as a kid when I didn't have to go to school every day. Fast forward to now, I work most of the time but always prioritize new and exciting activities for our family to enjoy together.

This year, we have many exciting changes on the horizon that will constantly keep us busy and on the road. Sarah Ann has already moved to New York for a summer job. In mid-August, I'll move her to Berkeley, California, where she will go to grad school. About the same time, we'll be moving Catherine to Columbia, South Carolina, to start her freshman year at the University of South Carolina. I could not be prouder of my daughters as they embark on their new journeys.

Because of all these changes, we've planned a lot of fun events to create memories. In addition to the beach, we have planned a fantastic family trip to Nashville in early August. Along with enjoying everything Nashville has to offer, the main event will be the Kenny Chesney concert in Nissan Stadium. We are taking eight people on this trip, so it will be a blast full of many memories near the end of the summer! Tricia and Catherine have a trip planned to New York to visit Sarah Ann, and I am sure Andrew and I will either tag along or have our own trip to catch a Yankees game. Then, when I'm out in Berkeley, I'm taking Sarah Ann and her new roommate to see Billy Strings, who'll be in town the same weekend.



When speaking of June, I would be remiss if I did not mention that, by late June, I am starting to feel the rumblings of the approaching fall (my second favorite season). College football has always been a big part of my life, and late summer is when that kicks off. Keep an eye out for our August edition of The Mottley Crew Review, when I typically give some predictions for the upcoming season. This year, we'll most likely hit a few South Carolina games in Columbia, a game in Blacksburg, and possibly the Hokies' road trip game to Stanford in October. (I'm still working on that one.) Summer is about creating long-lasting memories and enjoying the season's warmth. It's a time for fresh starts, reminding me that each summer brings a chance for new experiences and opportunities. I honestly can't wait for all of this year's adventures for our family!

-Kevin Mottley

MOONLIT MOVIE MAGIC HOSTING THE ULTIMATE OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT



Whether it's blocking pucks during a street hockey game or checkmating chess hustlers at the park, traditionally indoor activities take on an entirely new feel and flavor when taken outside. While a rare sight these days, moviegoers worldwide used to enjoy cinema from the comfort of their cars at drive-in theaters. These made a brief resurgence during the pandemic, but now that movies are rolling in theaters again, the fad has begun to die off.

These days, if you want to watch a movie, it seems like you are limited to three options: Watching it at the theater, on your TV, or on your phone or tablet. Now, I think we can all agree that watching a movie outside on your phone does not make for a great cinematic experience. Debtrette, a TikTok influencer and mom, has a suggestion. She put a spin on an old classic — family movie night — by holding it in her backyard with all the conveniences you would expect at a movie theater — like an air mattress, pillows, and blankets!

If you are looking for a fun way to spruce up a traditional movie night, what better way than to bring it outside under the stars? Here are some necessities to make your moonlight movie night truly magical:

- A portable projector screen, like a sheet on a clothesline
- Portable movie projector
- Candy, popcorn, and beverages
- Some outdoor seating and cushions
- Lamps, lanterns, or candles
- Warm blankets
- The perfect movie to bring it all together

You can find screens and projectors to fit any budget, and your movie selection will depend on the crowd. Just make it fun: Lie back on the grass and watch "Antz" or lounge in the pool while watching "Jaws"! The key is to make the experience unforgettable, and all who share in it will be thankful for your effort to make it all possible.

Unlock the Mysteries of Fort Knox

FROM GOLD BARS TO PRICELESS ARTIFACTS

We all know the country's gold reserve is securely stored in a vault at Fort Knox. However, have you ever wondered about the exact amount of money housed in the vault or who can access it? A treasure trove of interesting facts lies hidden in the billions bunker of Kentucky, but here are a few tidbits we know.

GOLD

The first pieces of gold arrived at the fort in 1937 and had to be transported by a top-secret caravan. Every gold bar weighs 27.5 pounds, and Fort Knox currently holds about 147.3 million ounces of gold. By today's standards, that's almost \$300 billion. The most gold to ever be held at the fort was in 1941 when it contained 649.6 million ounces.

SECURITY

This building is one of the most secure in the country; no one person knows the whole combination number to access the vault of gold. The information is



split up among several different people. The exterior has two separate electric fences and an additional concrete barrier. The government spends about \$5 million yearly to protect the site, including other security measures like searchlights. Visitors are rarely allowed inside, but Franklin Roosevelt did get to inspect the gold vault himself in 1943, making him the only U.S. president in history to visit.

OTHER VALUABLES

Fort Knox has also kept other valuable, historic items safe. During WWII, the government kept the Constitution, Bill of Rights, and Declaration of Independence within its walls. In 1978, it housed the cape of the king of Hungary and the Magna Carta, the medieval English charter of rights. The military even stored supplies of morphine sulfate inside during the Cold War due to the fear they might run out of painkillers if foreign sources of opium dissipated.



ON IMPACT

Legal Options and Recovery Strategies of Traumatic Brain Injuries

Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBIs) are often caused by accidents such as falls, vehicle collisions, or sports incidents and can disrupt the normal function of the brain. If the TBI directly results from someone else's negligence or intentional act, you may be eligible to file a personal injury claim against them, as recurring medical expenses can prove very costly. A successful brain injury lawsuit could help you pay for all the rehabilitation you need to regain a better quality of life. Workplace accidents, premises liability cases, slip-and-falls, and pedestrian accidents are common causes of brain injuries where other parties may be liable for damages.

WHEN SHOULD YOU CALL THE MOTTLEY LAW FIRM FOR A TBI CASE?

If you or a loved one has recently suffered a brain injury that may have been someone else's fault, it's prudent to speak with an experienced attorney right away. We have experience representing many types of personal injury cases, including TBIs. After reviewing the details of your case, we'll explain your legal options to recover damages and pay your rehabilitation bills.

HAVE YOU OR A LOVED ONE SUFFERED A TBI IN VIRGINIA?

If you believe you or a loved one suffered a TBI, an experienced traumatic brain injury lawyer can help you focus on recovery instead of fighting a complex battle against an insurance company and the people who caused the injury.

If you are worried about the cost of hiring a Virginia brain injury lawyer, then rest easy knowing The Mottley Law Firm operates on a contingency fee basis. There are no upfront costs, including a free initial consultation. Legal fees are contingent on the case's successful outcome — we don't get paid unless we secure a settlement for you. The Mottley Law Firm's passion is protecting the legal rights of clients who have suffered life-disrupting brain injuries. We want to hear from you no matter where you are in Virginia.

—Kevin Mottley

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SHEET PAN SHRIMP FAJITAS

INGREDIENTS

Inspired by DamnDelicious.net

- 2 lbs shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 2 bell peppers, sliced
- 1 onion, sliced
- 3 tbsp olive oil
- 2 tsp chili powder
- 2 tsp cumin
- 1 tsp smoked paprika
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Tortillas
- Topping Options**
- Sliced avocado
- Salsa
- Sour cream
- Chopped cilantro

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 400 F and line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
2. In a small bowl, combine chili powder, cumin, paprika, garlic powder, salt, and pepper.
3. Place bell pepper and onion on the baking sheet.
4. Drizzle evenly with 2 tbsp of olive oil and sprinkle with the chili powder mixture; reserve some for shrimp. Bake for 12 minutes.
5. Remove sheet pan from oven and push veggies to one side. Add shrimp to the empty side. Drizzle with 1 tbsp olive oil and spices. Return sheet pan to oven and bake for another 6 minutes, until shrimp are pink.
6. Serve on warm tortillas with desired toppings.



KEEP YOUR COMPOSURE

Phone Call Tips Following a Truck Accident

GET THEIR CONTACT AND CLAIM INFORMATION

Take note of the specific insurance adjuster calling you about your claim. Get their name, direct phone number, and your claim number. Write down the date and time of the call for your records. Pass all of this information along to your personal injury lawyer.

SPEAK RESPECTFULLY AND KEEP YOUR EMOTIONS IN CHECK.

Naturally, emotions might get the best of you, but it's in your best interest to remain cool. Be polite with the insurance adjuster and speak in a respectful tone. They may try to disarm you with feigned kindness but don't be fooled. While you shouldn't get angry or upset on the phone, you shouldn't let down your guard either.

CONTACT YOUR TRUCK ACCIDENT LAWYER.

Take the time to ask your truck accident attorney any questions you have. Then, when

an adjuster approaches you, make it clear that you hired a lawyer to represent your case. Stand firm. The adjuster may pressure you to answer their questions immediately but tell them you'll call them back after discussing the matter with your counsel.

DON'T ACCEPT THE FIRST SETTLEMENT OFFER.

Car and truck accident victims commonly make the mistake of jumping on a quick settlement. They want to put the case behind them as soon as they can. This is an error, as the first offer will typically be much less than the total compensation you deserve.

Let your legal team estimate the value of your claim and negotiate for a fair settlement; the Mottley Law Firm is here to support you. Call us so we can answer all your questions and concerns.

—Kevin Mottley