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TIGERS, ELEPHANTS, AND MICE

I'M CASE, YOUR JUNGLE CRUISE SKIPPER

y family has a surprising history with Disneyland. My uncle worked at the Disneyland hotel and went on to be the head of Disney International. My aunt worked in the park, operating the Casey, Jr. ride. She eventually went on to join the Disney legal team. Even my dad worked at Disneyland and holds the proud distinction of being fired from the Matterhorn. There are a few different stories about the reason behind the firing. My dad likes to say that he was trying to unionize the Disney employees. I've also heard a story that claims he accidentally let an actress dressed as Tinker Bell crash into the side of the Matterhorn.

I also worked at Disneyland and spent the summer between my freshman and sophomore year of college with animatronic elephants and tigers on the Jungle Cruise ride. That was when my uncle was president of Disney International, so he got me the job. Disneyland training was the most intense thing I'd ever seen. It was four days long, and that was just the general training. Before starting to work on the ride, they had trainees do crowd control during the light show at night. If you got through that, then they started you on the ride training.

I was a skipper on Jungle Cruise, which is what they call the people "driving" the boats. Of course, I didn't really drive the boat. The boats are all on a track. My job was to entertain guests with the joke-filled script the skippers recite during the ride. A bunch of new skippers all started at the same time I did. That was because a bunch of previous skippers had been fired for using inappropriate material during the ride.

When people find out I worked at Disneyland, they always want to hear about the weird behind-the-scenes stuff that happened. I don't think it's really any weirder than any other job people work at when they're young, except my job took place at a theme park, and sometimes the ride would break down and we'd get an unexpected break. Although, once, I did see Minnie Mouse without her head on, eating a sandwich backstage. The person in the costume had a shaved head and an eye patch. I haven't looked at Minnie the same way since.

If you've never been on the ride, then you need to know that the word "joke" is really a matter of opinion on Jungle Cruise. There are a lot of puns and wordplay. Some people groan, but I had a lot of fun. I got to interact with the guests more than I would've working on other rides which I liked. The interactions were cheesy but still fun. They would go something like this:

- "Welcome to the Jungle Cruise. Where are you from, ma'am?"
- "Denver."
- "I'm sorry."
- "I said Denver."
- "Oh, I heard you the first time. I'm just sorry about Denver."

The eight-minute spiel was full of things like that. I recited it for 40 hours a week for a whole summer and had that spiel memorized for years after I stopped working at Disneyland. It became a surprising source of entertainment. In college, everyone wanted to hear it all the time. Later, when I worked at the public defender's office, we figured out that we could call another branch court from the public defender's office and get on their loudspeaker. As a Friday afternoon prank, we'd call another branch court and I'd do the Jungle Cruise spiel over their loudspeaker.

Case working as

Jungle Cruise skipper with his mother and

aunt as boat guests

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The COVID-19

pandemic put the

world on hold, but even during the shutdown and quarantine, Case Barnett Law has been hard at work pushing cases forward. Here are a few major cases we have settled recently.

\$100,000 – Car Accident Case

Case Barnett Law took over this case after a previous attorney pushed a \$30,000 settlement on the client. The client and CBL knew her suffering was worth more. CBL obtained the entirety of the defendant driver's \$100,000 policy. We are currently working on obtaining another \$150,000 from the client's underinsured policy.

Justice in the Time of Quarantine

\$85,000 – Injured Pedestrian Case

Case Barnett Law obtained \$85,000 for a client injured by a vehicle while she was walking down the street.

\$800,000 – Big Rig Trucking Accident Case

Case Barnett Law obtained the entirety of a commercial liability policy for a client who was rear-ended by a big rig on the 91 freeway. The law firm that had the case before CBL obtained an offer of \$150,000 to settle the case. After turning the screws on the defense, CBL received all of the \$800,000 available and is currently going after more justice through the client's underinsured policy.

As we navigate life through COVID-19, we want our clients to know that they have not been forgotten. They still deserve justice and we will continue to do everything in our power to make sure they are taken care of.

OUR CLIENTS SAY IT BEST

"I have nothing but good things to say about Case and his entire staff. They are absolutely great people. In my experience, I found that they were really on top of their game, extremely knowledgeable in how the law works and how to get what you want. The whole staff was empathetic and compassionate about the pain that my family and I have been going through. They were always there to answer any questions I had. Even after working hours, they won my lawsuit in amazing time. I could go on but this review would turn into a short story. Thank you, Case and your whole staff. You're all awesome in my book."

–Ryan H.

Thank you.

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Finn's Story Time

The Best Place to Play With LEGOs



Hey there!

My family has been spending a lot more time at home. We haven't been to Disneyland or the playground in forever! Mommy and Daddy say that everyone has had to stay home more, so I'm glad to know it's not just us. Daddy has been working from home a lot more, too, which makes things even better. We get to see him all day.

Staying at home sounds like it could get boring fast, but I have Harlow to play with me! I'm great at coming up with new games and using my imagination. My favorite game is to create new characters with my LEGOs. I like to play with the sets and build what's on the box, but I also like to do what Daddy calls "freestyling." I like to use all the bricks to build robots and cars and other new inventions. It's also super fun to take the LEGO characters and use their body parts to make brand-new characters to play with. Then the good guys and the bad guys have to fight!

I think the best place to play with LEGOs is in a blanket fort that you built yourself. Daddy has helped me build a lot of blanket forts recently, so we've gotten really good at it. Apparently, a lot of people are really tired and worried right now. If you're feeling this way, then why not build your own fort and play with LEGOs for a while? That always makes me feel better. Everyone has blankets and couch cushions, so you probably already have all the supplies you need at home. Even grown-ups need to have fun and play sometimes!

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As cheesy at the jokes and spiel were, that was a super fun summer. I learned a lot about customer service, and I really liked getting to connect with people. Sure, the uniform was ridiculous and I had to wear shorts that were 10 sizes too big in order to get pants that were long enough, but as far as summer jobs go, Jungle Cruise was pretty great. It's really fun to get on the ride with Finn and Harlow these days and tell them it's Daddy's

ride. They always get excited, and we get some sideways glances from the other passengers.



-Case Barnett



NO-CHURN S'MORES ICE CREAM

Inspired by GrainChanger.com

July is National Ice Cream Month, so why not cool off with some sweet, homemade s'mores ice cream? You don't even need an ice cream churn!

Ingredients

- 14 oz sweetened condensed milk
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 10 graham crackers, crushed
- 1 chocolate bar, chopped
- 2 cups whipping cream, chilled

Directions

- In a large mixing bowl, combine sweetened condensed milk, vanilla extract, graham crackers, and chocolate.
- 2. In a separate bowl, use an electric mixer to beat whipping cream until peaks form, about 3 minutes.
- 3. Fold whipping cream into the condensed milk mixture. Transfer ice cream to a freezer-safe container, cover, and freeze for at least 8 hours.
- 4. Serve and enjoy on a hot summer day. It's especially delicious in a waffle cone!

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DELIVERY BOXES PILING UP?

4 Ways to Reuse Instead of Recycle

As more people opt for online shopping, the number of home deliveries is skyrocketing. Almost every item ordered comes in its own cardboard box, and nearly 20% of these boxes end up in landfills, while the other 80% require significant amounts of energy to recycle. Here are four ways to reuse those boxes instead of just tossing them out.

Garden Bed Starters

Because cardboard boxes are loaded with carbon and not contaminated by many other chemicals, they're great for starting new plants or flower beds. They help reduce weeds and protect weak or young plants from the elements, and when the carbon in cardboard combines with the nitrogen in the dirt, a nutrient-rich soil emerges for plants to flourish in.

Compost

Clean corrugated cardboard — what most Amazon boxes are made of — is another great source of useful carbon. Cut your boxes into pieces and place them in your compost pile so the carbon combines with the nitrogen from food scraps. The process helps break the pile down into nutrient-rich humus for healthy soil.

Toys or Art Supplies



Kids tend to play with the box their new toy came in rather than the toy itself for a reason. Cardboard boxes spark creativity, and the possibilities are endless! Boxes can be used as forts, spaceships, building blocks, art canvases, and more. Empty boxes can provide hours of fun with a little help from a vivid imagination.

Storage

Boxes are meant for holding items, so use empty ones to organize a cluttered garage or attic or safely store less frequently used items like winter jackets or holiday decorations. If the brown cardboard aesthetic on a shelf just won't cut it, paint the boxes or wrap them in eye-catching gift wrap, then label them.

If you're not sure how you want to use your boxes, just hold on to them until you're ready. The beauty of cardboard is that you can break it down, store it easily, and reconstruct the boxes later when you find a use for them.

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