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common vehicular injuries

Auto accident injuries are wide-ranging, but some are more common than others. They can be influenced by seatbelt usage (or lack thereof), airbags, the direction the impact came from, the speed of impact, or the position of the occupant's body when impact occurred (facing straight ahead or turned).

Soft-tissue injuries—those involving ligaments, muscle, or tendons—are the most common car accident injuries. Whiplash is a notable one. Muscles and ligaments of the neck and shoulders are unnaturally stretched due to sudden, high-energy movements caused by impact. These forces are responsible for many back injuries as well, including serious ones involving the spine.

Scrapes and lacerations can result through contact with something solid inside the car; loose, flying objects, such as a cell phone, eyeglasses, or a bag of groceries; or getting smacked in the face by an airbag.

A blow to the head can cause a concussion, as the brain is slammed against the interior of the skull. A severe impact might cause permanent brain damage. Arms and legs may be thrown against the door or get rammed into the dashboard or front seat. Cuts, scrapes, sprains, and fractures are all possible.

And don't forget about chest injuries, which can range from bruising to broken ribs and internal injuries caused by impact with the steering wheel or dashboard. Seatbelts may be responsible for severe chest bruising in high-impact crashes—but it still beats the alternative.

Some auto accident injuries aren't readily apparent. It may take days, weeks, or even months for them to become evident. Always seek medical treatment for even the slightest discomfort or early indication of injury. ■



SKILLET VEGETABLE AND egg scramble

Servings: 4; prep time: 30 min.; total time: 30 min.



Nearly any vegetable will work for this easy and delicious skillet recipe, so choose your favorites or use what you have on hand.

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 12 ounces baby potatoes, thinly sliced
- 4 cups thinly sliced vegetables, such as mushrooms, bell peppers, and/or zucchini (14 oz.)
- 3 scallions, thinly sliced, green and white parts separated
- 1 teaspoon minced fresh herbs, such as rosemary or thyme
- 6 large eggs (or 4 large eggs plus 4 egg whites), lightly beaten
- 2 cups packed leafy greens, such as baby spinach or baby kale (2 oz.)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Directions

1. Heat 2 tablespoons oil in a large cast-iron or nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add potatoes; cover and cook, stirring several times, until they begin to soften, about 8 minutes.
2. Add 4 cups sliced vegetables and scallion whites; cook uncovered, stirring occasionally, until the vegetables are tender and lightly browned, 8 to 10 minutes. Stir in 1 teaspoon of herbs. Move the vegetable mixture to the perimeter of the pan.
3. Reduce heat to medium-low. Add 6 eggs and scallion greens to the center of the pan. Cook, stirring, until the eggs are softly scrambled, about 2 minutes.
4. Stir 2 cups leafy greens into the eggs. Remove from heat and stir to combine well. Stir in 1/2 teaspoon salt.

Recipe courtesy of www.eatingwell.com. ■



whatever it takes

The terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center (WTC) 25 years ago claimed 2,753 lives, from America (79%) and 61 other countries. Approximately 40% of victims — 1,100 — have not yet had their remains identified. But it's not due to lack of effort. (All 224 Pentagon and Flight 93 victims have been accounted for.)

There are three principal forensic methods for identifying remains: analysis of teeth and dentistry, fingerprint analysis, and DNA analysis. Today, DNA analysis of bone fragments is the near-exclusive avenue of 9/11 victim identification. (Some tissue samples remain, but commingling of DNA complicates testing.) DNA technology has advanced since 9/11, offering additional opportunities to make positive identifications.

The work is meticulous and painstaking. It encompasses scraping and cleaning, cutting, zapping with liquid nitrogen, pulverizing into a fine powder, unlocking any cells containing DNA, adding heat and chemicals to ready cells for machine analysis, and hopefully making a link to a genetic profile on the database. Three new WTC 9/11 victims were identified in 2025; one in 2024.

Fire, water, sunlight, bacteria, mold, insects, fuel, chemicals in the buildings, and the tremendous forces involved in the WTC buildings' collapses have all conspired to degrade or destroy the DNA in bone fragments. Intense heat for a sustained period of time frequently reduces bone to ashes, obliterating all DNA.

Successful IDs bring closure for many families. Others prefer not to be notified, as it opens old wounds. Some remains have had DNA extracted, but there's no existing profile on the medical database to match it to.

Current New York City Chief Medical Examiner Jason Graham says his agency will always keep "a very solemn promise to do whatever it takes, for as long as it takes, to get [victims] identified." ■

unleashing trouble

AT THE DOG PARK

Dog parks are popular — they provide off-leash opportunities for dogs to run, play, and socialize with other dogs in an area designed exclusively for them. But with the benefits come risks. Dog bites, knockdowns, and fights; poor park design or management; and inadequate owner supervision can harm dogs and humans alike.

Certain dogs are bad fits for dog parks. Overly aggressive, assertive, or territorial dogs — including those unneutered or unspayed — should not be attendees, nor should undersocialized dogs, who may bite as a fear reaction. An owner who knows of their dog's propensity to bite can be held negligent for harm caused by their dog.

Other dogs have an instinct to herd, chase, and nip that can be triggered at a spacious dog park, which might not be well received by other canines. Some dogs may provoke fights that need to be broken up, jeopardizing both dogs and humans.

Some owners enter a park, release their hound, then stare at their phone or socialize. Owners need to be alert and stay ready to de-escalate a tense situation or restrain their dog at a moment's notice.

Dog park operators might fail to post clear signage concerning the risks of off-leash activities and interactions between dogs. The design or location of a dog park may be suspect as well. For instance, if a dog park is located near a loud playground, dogs may become overexcited and possibly aggressive. If a park does not have separate areas for small and large dogs, or the fencing is poorly maintained, the potential for trouble is magnified.

If you or your pet is injured due to a negligent dog owner or park operator, contact our firm to protect your rights. ■



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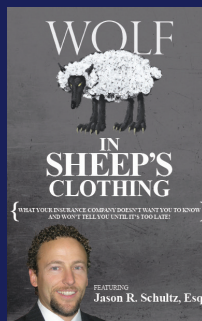
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no need to hurry

A SETTLEMENT AFTER AN ACCIDENT



Insurance adjusters are often quick on the draw in pushing for a settlement in a car accident case. It saves the insurance company work, not to mention a lot of money. It might seem tempting to the injured party—no claims process and a rapid acquisition of compensation. What could be the harm in that?

Plenty.

To acquire the compensation you deserve, wait for a full investigation of your accident. Having all the facts at your disposal is always beneficial. In addition, some injuries aren't apparent just days after an accident; some might only appear weeks or even months later.

If you jump on a quick settlement opportunity, you're likely to get the really short end of the stick. That's what the insurance companies are banking on.

When the other party's insurance adjuster calls, make it clear that you will not be talking about how the accident happened, your injuries, or a settlement amount, and that you don't want any further calls on these issues. Many adjusters are skilled at eliciting comments that can call into question your injuries or finesse what amounts to an admission of some fault on your part.

You may need to field a phone call from an adjuster concerning car repairs. But do it at your convenience.

Do not sign any forms from the other party's insurance company. These forms could give an insurance company direct access to your medical, work, or personal records. Some companies are sneaky enough to try to disguise a release from any liability.

Contact our office to guide you through the claims process and protect your rights. ■

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