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Be a Kid Again Day?

SURE, WHY NOT

So, apparently, July 8 is “Be a Kid Again Day.” I didn’t know that was a thing, but once I heard it, I couldn’t stop thinking about one question: *If I could go back to any time in my life, when would it be?*

It’s an easy answer for me: Sept. 1979 to June 1983, my high school years at St. Dominic Savio High School in East Boston. That’s when things really started to shift for me. I was still just a city kid growing up in a triple-decker, third floor, with my mom, dad, and sister. My grandparents lived on the second floor, straight from Italy, barely spoke any English, and the first floor was always rotating: aunts, uncles, cousins, you name it — tight quarters, not a lot of money, but a lot of love.

If you or a loved one has been injured due to someone else’s negligence, we’re here to help. While we hope you never need us — especially for your children’s sake — we’re committed to fighting for the compensation you deserve. Contact us today for a consultation, and let us protect your rights.

My mom worked two jobs so I could go to Savio. It was an all-boys Catholic school, with small classes, and the students came from working-class families trying to give their kids a better shot. Most of us were rough around the edges, but we showed up. And if we didn’t, well, someone’s father made sure we did.

Here’s the part that makes me laugh: That kid in the picture, sitting in his teacher’s Corvette? That’s me. And yes, I had hair. A lot of it. But I also had a smile that said I was enjoying myself.

But that photo represents more than just a time when I had hair and a smile. It was a fork-in-the-road moment. Before high school, I was headed in the wrong direction, with the wrong crowd, and making the wrong choices. I am not proud of the trouble I got into back then. But my dad stepped in and said, “You’re going to Savio.” No debate. That was my wake-up call. He believed the structure would do me good, and it did!

At Savio, things started to click. Sports were a big part of it. I played hockey, but it was more than that. I started working hard, doing well, and actually



enjoying school. And man, those Friday night Savio dances? We’d pack the gym, girls from other schools would show up, there’d be a DJ, and for a few hours, we all thought we were in *Saturday Night Fever*. We danced like fools and didn’t care. It was awesome.

Some of the guys I met back then are still my close friends today. And looking back now, I realize how pivotal those years were. That’s where I learned that doing well wasn’t something to be embarrassed about — it was something to aim for.

So, yeah, July 8, Be a Kid Again Day? I’ll take it. If you get a minute, think about what your version of that looks like. And if you stumble across an old picture of yourself with big hair, even better.

-Len Spada



CORE VALUE SPOTLIGHT:



The David Mindset

Last month, we shared the five core values that guide everything we do at Spada Law Group: David Mindset, team player, positivity, loyalty, and kind and respectful. These aren't just words on a wall — they're principles we live by daily. In this edition, we highlight one of our lineup's most powerful values: the David Mindset.

WHAT IS THE DAVID MINDSET?

Simply put, it's the courage to confront giants — the big, powerful forces that try to intimidate, overwhelm, or ignore those without the strength to fight back. It's standing firm when others would fold and refusing to let injustice go unchallenged. We are advocates for our clients.

Take a recent case as an example. An elderly woman was injured in a car crash and began undergoing treatment, including orthopedic care, injections, and physical therapy for her wrist and thumb. Before she ever contacted an attorney, the insurance company swooped in and made her an offer: \$500.

That's right — \$500, even though her medical bills were already nearing \$20,000. They hadn't reviewed her full records or considered her ongoing care. They just wanted her to settle quickly and cheaply. It was a pressure tactic, plain and simple.

But she didn't give in. Instead, she called us, and we called them out.

We're now pursuing claims under Massachusetts General Laws Chapters 93A and 176D for unfair and deceptive settlement practices. We don't just push back when insurers misbehave — we hold them accountable.

Having a David Mindset means we prepare relentlessly, advocate fiercely, and stand up to bad actors; we don't even blink.

If you have a client being pressured or lowballed by an insurance company, don't let them face it alone. Send them our way. At Spada Law Group, we don't back down — because when you have the heart of David, no giant is too big.

REVIEW OF THE MONTH



"Spada Law Group was amazing. From the very start, when I walked into the office, they made me feel comfortable and welcomed, as this was my first time with an accident lawyer. Kat was super amazing throughout the whole process. She answered every question I had, kept me updated through the entire process in a timely manner, and always gave me the best advice on making the whole process go smoothly. I would definitely recommend them to anyone."

—Tonny Leveron

BIG NEWS

We've Expanded Across the Street to Better Serve You

We're thrilled to share some exciting news!

Spada Law Group is expanding! Our team has been growing steadily, and we've officially outgrown our current space in Chelsea. That's why we've just opened a beautiful new office across the street at 70 Everett Avenue.

This new space will now serve as the home base for our Litigation Department, where all things trial-related will take place. When it becomes clear that a case can't be fairly resolved through settlement and our client agrees to go to court, our litigation team kicks into high gear. With this new office, they'll have the quiet, focused space they need for strategy sessions, trial prep, and witness meetings — everything required to fight and win for our clients in the courtroom.

If you're ever nearby, let us know! We'd love to walk you over and show you around. We're incredibly proud of this new chapter and what it represents for us: continued growth, greater focus, and an even stronger commitment to our mission of helping those who need it most.



And that's not the only big update! We're also excited to introduce our newest team member, Caroline, our amazing new paralegal! Caroline excels at what she does and brings a wealth of experience and skill. Best of all, she's incredibly kind, compassionate, and ready to serve our clients with the care and attention they deserve. We're lucky to have her on board; we know our clients will feel the same.

As we grow, we remain committed to the values that got us here: hard work, compassion, and a relentless drive to do right by our clients. Stay tuned for more updates — we have more exciting things in store!

Thanks for being part of our journey. Here's to new spaces, new faces, and continued service you can count on.



GRILLED SHRIMP TACOS

Inspired by PinchAndSwirl.com

INGREDIENTS

Sauce

- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup sour cream
- 2 tsp sriracha sauce

Tacos

- 10 9-inch bamboo skewers soaked in water for 15–30 minutes
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 1/2 tsp kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp ground black pepper
- 1/4 tsp ground cayenne pepper
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1 pound shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 8 corn tortillas
- 1 cup finely chopped green or red cabbage
- 1/2 cup finely chopped radish
- 1 lime, cut into wedges
- jalapeño peppers, thinly sliced, optional

DIRECTIONS

1. In a small bowl, whisk together mayonnaise, sour cream, and sriracha. Add water as needed to reach desired consistency. Set aside.
2. In a medium bowl, whisk cilantro, salt, pepper, cayenne, and olive oil. Add shrimp and toss to coat.
3. Skewer the shrimp with bamboo skewers, adjusting so they're evenly spaced to cook evenly, then set aside.
4. Preheat grill to medium-high heat.
5. Grill tortillas in a single layer for 30–45 seconds on each side until softened and lightly charred. Stack tortillas on aluminum foil and wrap to keep warm.
6. Grill shrimp skewers 2–3 minutes on each side until pink and just cooked through. Transfer to a platter.
7. To assemble tacos, fill a tortilla with 3 or 4 shrimp and sprinkle with chopped cabbage, radishes, and cilantro (if desired). Drizzle with the desired amount of sauce. Serve with lime wedges and sliced jalapeño, if desired.



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When Monopoly Helped Win a War

ALLIED POWERS OUTWITTED THE ENEMY, ONE GAME AT A TIME

You know Monopoly as the game that ruins friendships and sparks hourlong battles over Park Place. But during World War II, it played a much more significant and far braver role: helping Allied soldiers escape from German POW camps. Yes, *really*.

In one of the most brilliant covert ops of the war, the British Secret Service turned Monopoly into a top-secret escape kit. Before this tactic, smuggling noisy paper maps without tipping off the guards was too risky, and getting caught could be fatal for prisoners. Enter silk — strong, weather-resistant, and, most importantly, silent. The British turned to John Waddington Ltd., the licensed Monopoly manufacturer in the UK, who also happened to be an expert in printing on silk. It was a match made in espionage heaven.

Waddington didn't just tuck maps into game boxes, though. In a locked room most employees didn't know existed, craftsmen rigged Monopoly sets with tiny metal files, magnetic compasses, and even real currency hidden beneath the play money. Each

game was marked with a secret red dot on the Free Parking space — an insider's clue for captured soldiers to look out for.

Thanks to a clever partnership with the Red Cross, these "games" were slipped into POW camps as humanitarian aid packages. The guards thought they were passing along innocent entertainment. Meanwhile, inside the box were the tools to freedom.

By the end of the war, over 35,000 POWs had escaped German camps — many with the help of these customized Monopoly sets. Though exact numbers are lost to history, Monopoly's role in those escapes is one of the war's clever secrets.

The mission was kept quiet for decades to preserve the strategy for future use. Today, the story reminds us that the simplest tools can sometimes carry out extraordinary missions. Next time you pass "Go," just remember Monopoly once helped people pass barbed wire.