



PAST  
PRESENTS  
AND THE  
FUTURE

*A toy drive down  
memory lane.*





**Ride with us to holidays  
past as we recall our  
all-time favorite gifts.**

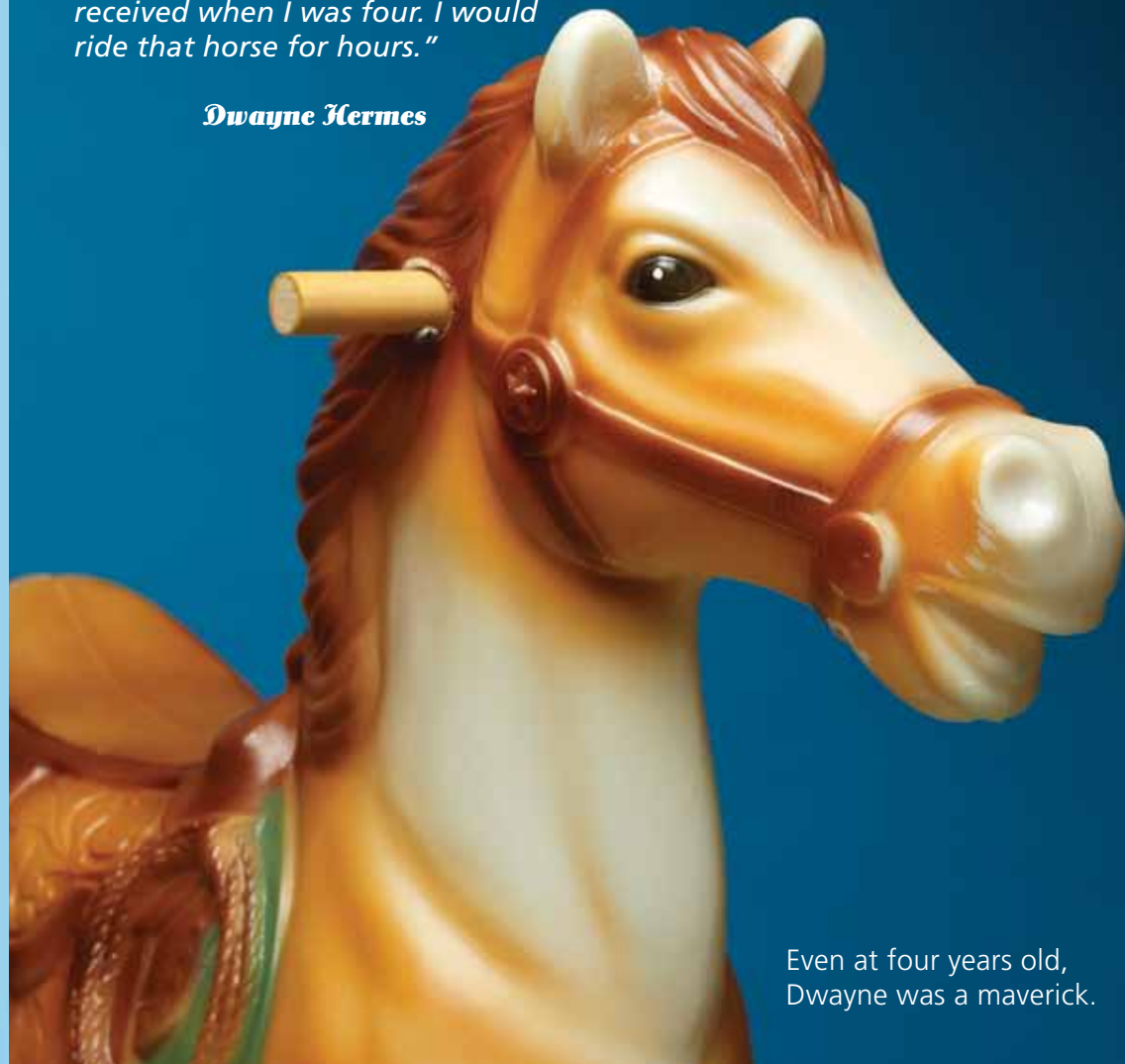
Then tell us about the gift that rocked your world on our blog:

**PastPresentsandtheFuture.com**

And while you're there, vote for your favorite toy in our online poll and we'll donate a sleigh full of the winning toy to the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children as part of our holiday drive.

*"I remember the rocking horse I received when I was four. I would ride that horse for hours."*

**Dwayne Hermes**



Even at four years old, Dwayne was a maverick.



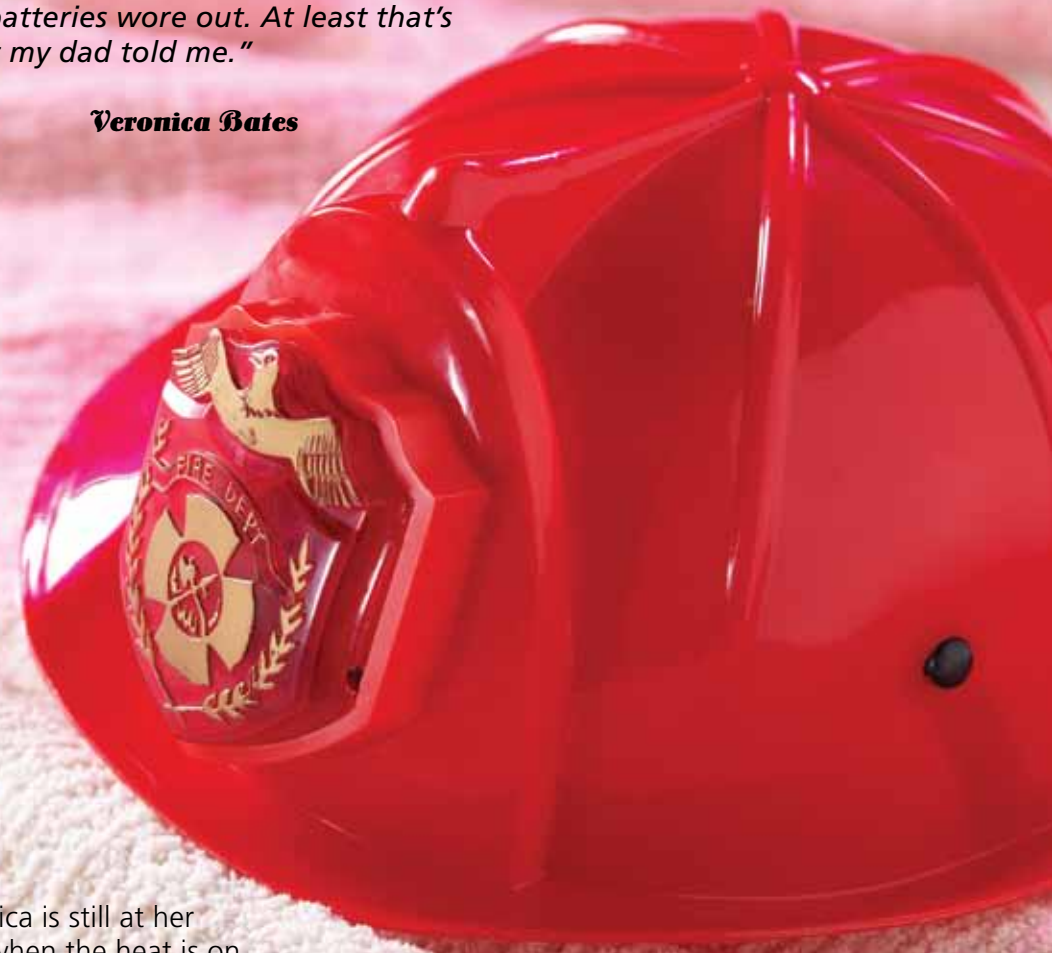
*"When I was six, I received a pair of genuine leather boxing gloves. My brothers and I wore them out."*

**David Sargent**

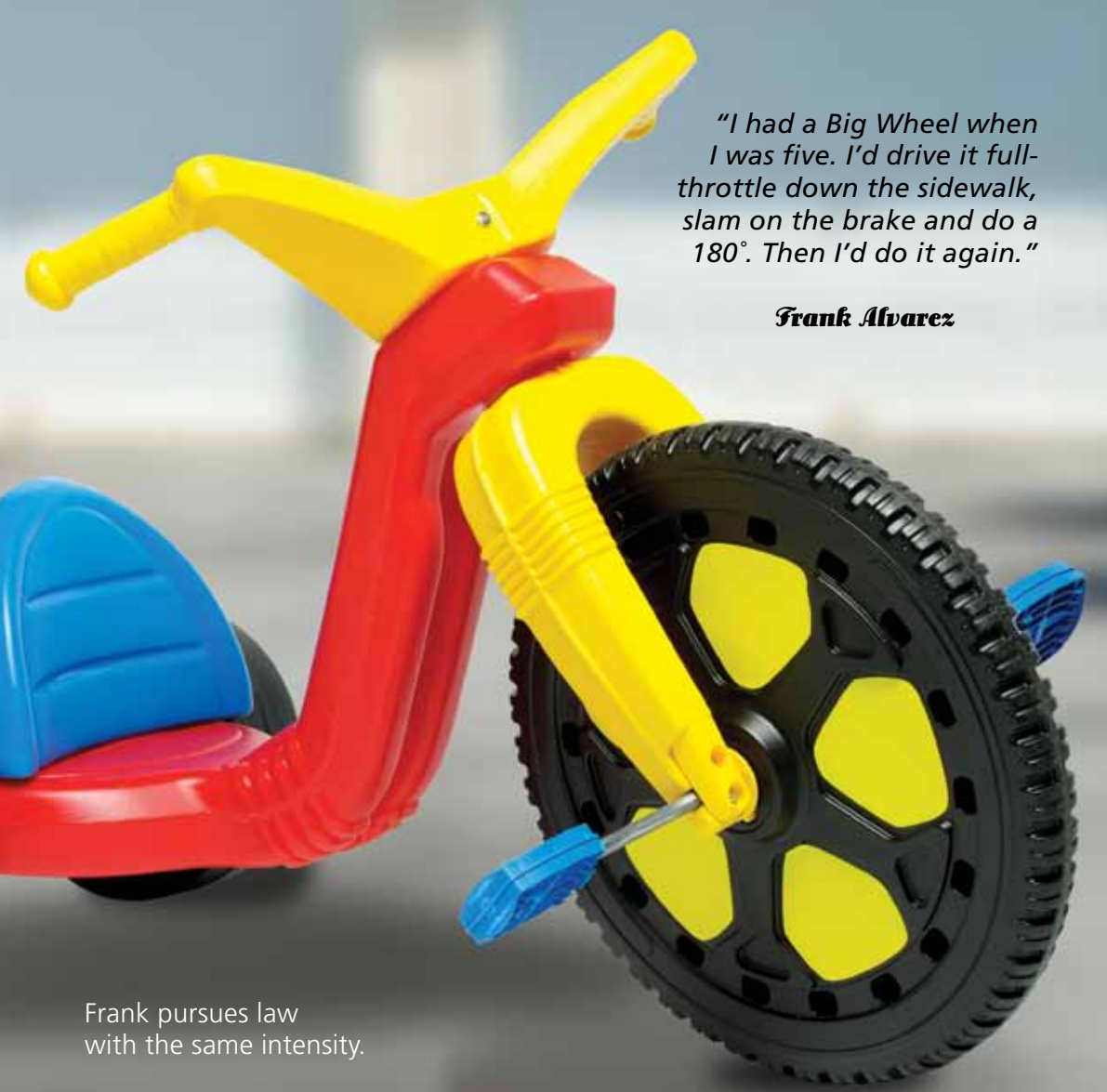
It is no surprise that David grew up to be a fighter.

*"One year I got a big red fireman's hat with lights and a siren. Eventually the batteries wore out. At least that's what my dad told me."*

**Veronica Bates**



Veronica is still at her best when the heat is on.



*"I had a Big Wheel when I was five. I'd drive it full-throttle down the sidewalk, slam on the brake and do a 180°. Then I'd do it again."*

**Frank Alvarez**

Frank pursues law with the same intensity.



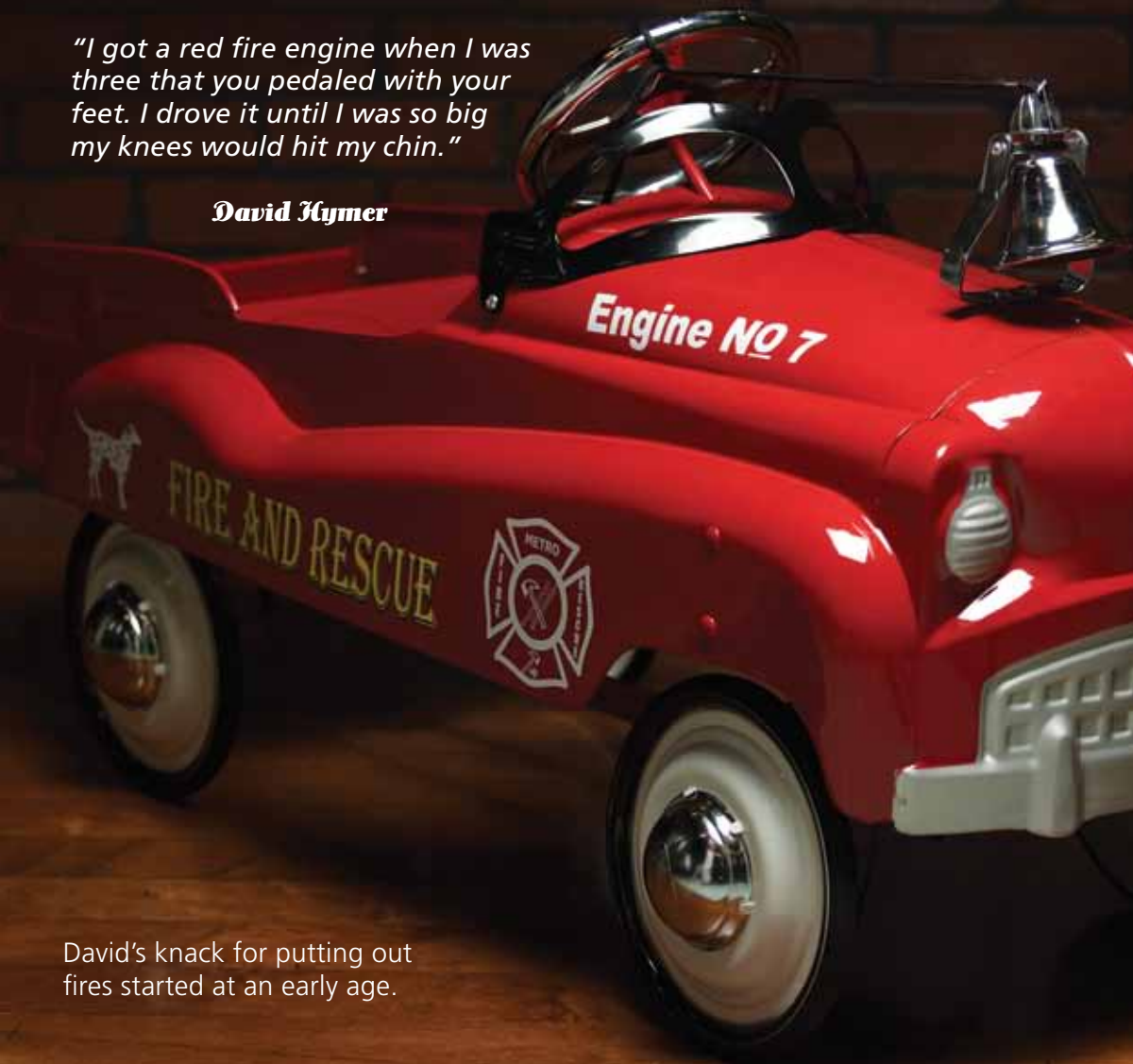
*"Back in the '70s, I got a brand new stereo. Every night I would listen to Elton John in my room."*

**Dan Fostrud**

Dan's skill as a lawyer makes him a rock star in our book.

*"I got a red fire engine when I was three that you pedaled with your feet. I drove it until I was so big my knees would hit my chin."*

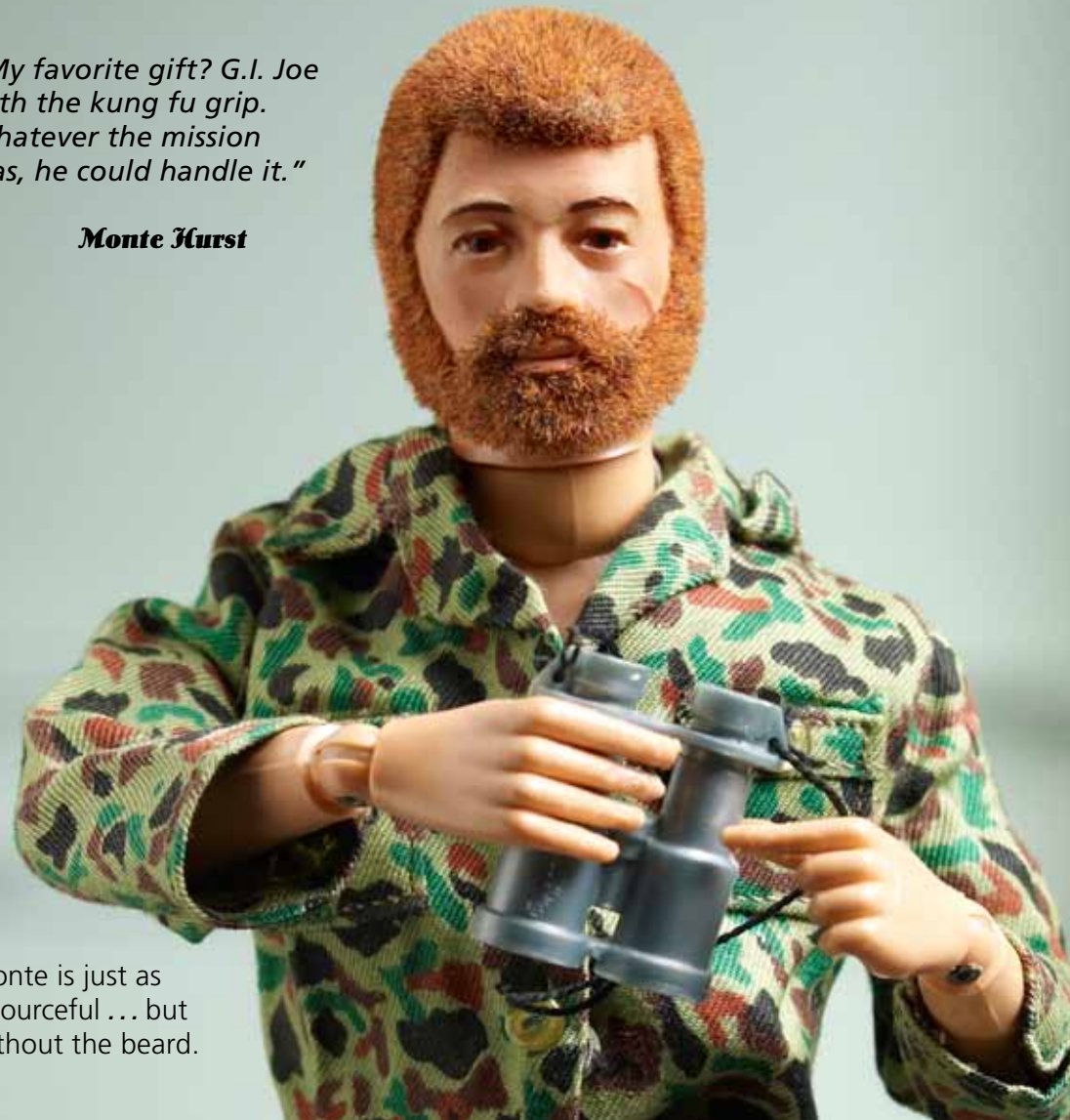
**David Hymer**



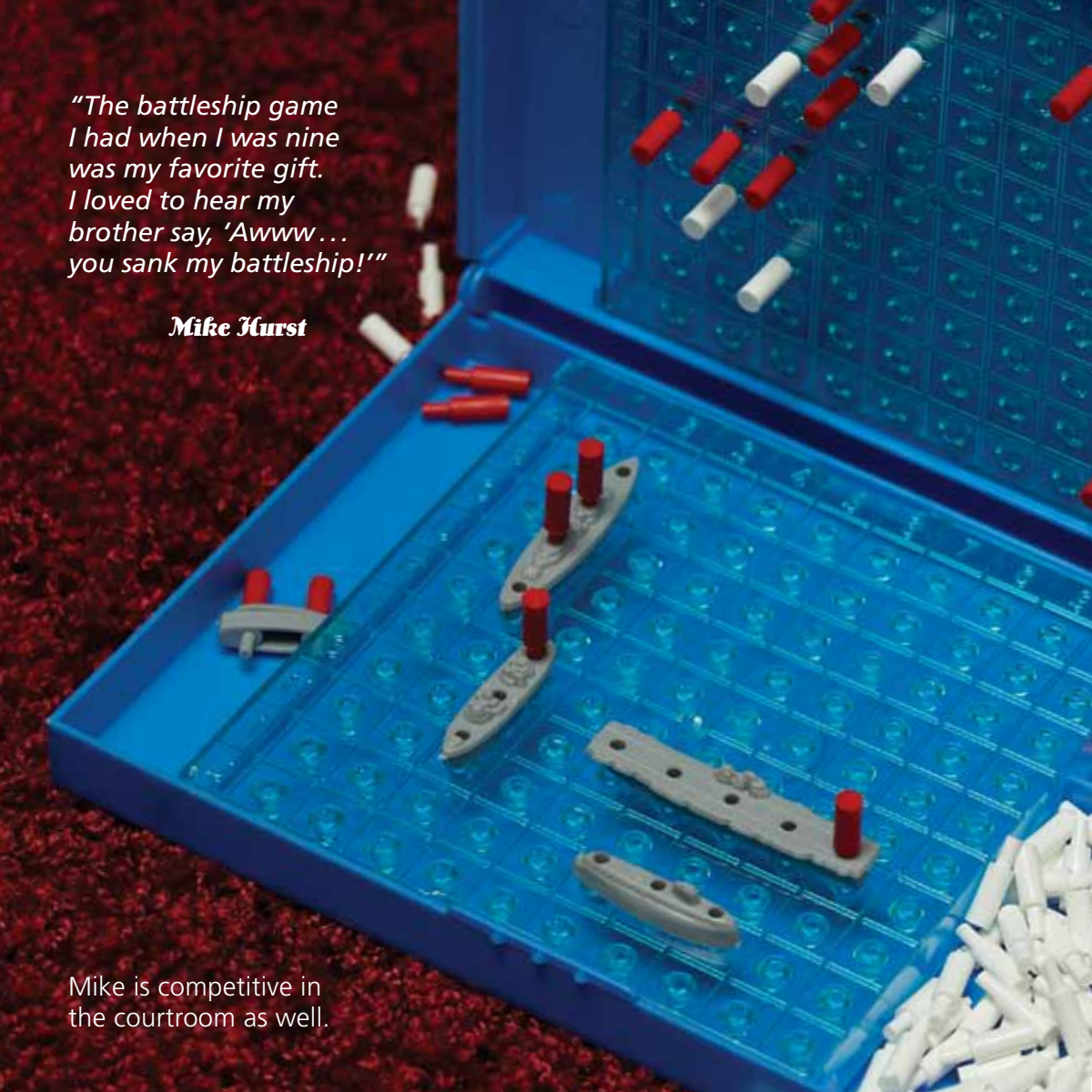
David's knack for putting out fires started at an early age.

*"My favorite gift? G.I. Joe with the kung fu grip. Whatever the mission was, he could handle it."*

**Monte Hurst**




Monte is just as resourceful ... but without the beard.

A blue battleship game board is shown, partially open. The board has a grid of small squares. Several red and white pegs are placed on the board. In the foreground, there are several white ship pieces and a few red pegs. The background is a dark red, textured surface.

*"The battleship game I had when I was nine was my favorite gift. I loved to hear my brother say, 'Awww... you sank my battleship!'"*

**Mike Hurst**

Mike is competitive in the courtroom as well.

A white background with a blue border of snowflakes. A small evergreen tree is visible on the left side.

As we fondly remember holidays **Past**, we are grateful for our **Present** friendship with you, and hopeful about a brighter **Future** for all children in need.

Participate in our blog at

***Past Presents and the Future*.com**

and help us decide which toys to donate to the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children.

***May you and yours have a very merry holiday season.***

The logo for Hermes Sargent Bates, featuring the name in a serif font above a blue swoosh.

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