

The Peale, Baltimore

Out of the Blocks Storytelling Series

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Speaker 1 ([00:01](#)):

My name is Edward Yoo. My business is Mirax Wig Botique, 2108 East Monument Street. Mostly wig and human and synthetic hair. [foreign language 00:00:19].

Speaker 1 ([00:18](#)):

So last year the time when there was a lot of snow, two ladies came in. And one lady was looking around and the other lady asked to look at specific objects that he needed to take out and show her. So he takes out about two at a time, and they had about eight objects on the desk. And then while she was looking at it, her other friend asked for a question. And while he turned around to help her, the other one scooped everything up and ran out. And that was about even more than what he, those eight objects worth more than what he earned that day, so he just needed to get those back. So he ran out. What

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happened was the girl fell because of the snow. So his wife went and grabbed what she could and ran in the store. And then he kind of pressed her down to grab the other objects that she missed.

Speaker 1 ([01:16](#)):

And as fast as he could, he just grabbed what he could and ran into the store. And he was trying to lock the door. The girl came and tried to open it. And there were basically fighting in front of the door and he somehow was able to lock it. And then what the girl did, she found a bottle from the trash can and she started banging the door with the glass bottle. At that point, they'd called the police and then he realized he should take a picture. So when he tried to take a picture, the girls ran away. There's a lot of stress in working here and I also get stressed out of the type of person I became and having to react that way.

Speaker 1 ([02:04](#)):

I have a big problem with money, [inaudible 00:02:08] very slow and I need to close my store because nothing for here.

Speaker 2 ([02:17](#)):

When you're done with this business, how will you feel? Will you feel relieved? Disappointed?

Speaker 1 ([02:24](#)):

Free. I'm free.

Speaker 2 ([02:26](#)):

Yeah.

Speaker 1 ([02:27](#)):

Headache, counting headache.