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NO TYPEWRITERS HERE: CHUCK BOYK, MIKE BRUNO CELEBRATE 30 YEARS AS LAWYERS, COMPARE THEN/NOW



Attorneys Chuck Boyk and Mike Bruno at their graduation from the University of Toledo College of Law in 1983

When you are fresh out of law school, you have two main goals: pass the bar exam and figure out how to earn a paycheck.

In 1983, Chuck Boyk and Mike Bruno were trying to do just that. And even though recent law school grads in 2013 are up against the same challenges, the process is much different than it was 30 years ago.

To commemorate their 30th anniversary of practicing law, we asked Chuck and Mike to fill us in on how different it was to become an attorney then versus now.

“The main difference is that technology was so primitive back then,” Chuck Boyk said. “To talk on the phone, you were tethered to your desk during normal business hours. Luckily with all of the advancements like email, live web chats and Skype, we are able to help many more people than we used to be able to.”

Here are just a few other ways that life as a lawyer has changed:

- Performing legal research meant going to the library. Instead of turning on a laptop, you would have to turn the pages of huge, hardcover books while handwriting notes.

- Student loan debt was a bit more manageable. Instead of getting through law school for less than \$15,000, students today are lucky to walk away less than \$100,000 in debt.
- Communication was always face-to-face or by landline telephone. If you couldn't reach your client over the phone, you would have to send a letter asking him or her to call or to make an appointment to come in. People weren't available 24/7 like they are now.
- Computers weren't mainstream. Need to create a 20 page brief? Better get out the typewriter and hope you don't make too many errors.
- People learned about breaking news by reading the morning paper. Since Smartphones didn't exist, neither did mobile newspaper websites, so word traveled slower.
- Attorneys couldn't e-file or fax-file complaints with the Court. Why not? Because the internet and fax machines did not yet exist.

“Things were quieter back then,” Mike Bruno said. “There was no instantaneous communication, with the exception of a telephone call. Every pleading and letter was subject to the speed of the US Postal service and that was after it went through a secretary who typed it up. If you went into the office on a Sunday, there were no ‘hot potatoes’ since you would have no mail or messages waiting.”

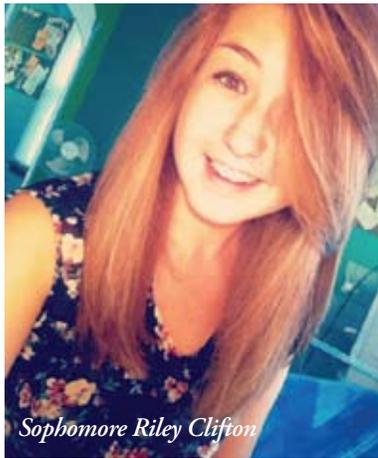
In addition to starting out as lawyers, Chuck and Mike were most likely listening to Michael Jackson's number one hit, Billy Jean, watching Risky Business or The A-Team and paying less than \$1.00 for a gallon of gas.

We invite you to visit our website and type “80s Law Grads” into the Google Search Bar for a bonus article on practicing law then and now, written by paralegal and current law student, Leah Michael.



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WHAT'S UP, CHUCK? START STUDENTS CONTRIBUTE TO THE BOYK BULLETIN



Sophomore Riley Clifton

Each month, a Start High School student will act as a Guest Columnist and contribute an article for our new "What's Up, Chuck?" column. This month's story comes to us from sophomore Riley Clifton.

Time since 1976 to now has changed drastically. The gas prices went up, supplies prices went up, and technology is improving rapidly. When you were in school you probably got in trouble for things such as chewing gum, or passing notes but now a days our phones consume our lives in class and out.

Because of the increase in technology we learn many things from videos and online. Some of our textbooks are put on the internet so homework is more fit for our lifestyle. The clothing style has changes drastically too.

At the time your bell-bottoms and platform shoes were "groovy" but this generation's pants have been downsized. We think we are stylish now just like you did as a high school student but in ten to twenty years, you don't have to worry, our fashion will be prehistoric too.

Every day new ideas are being developed and the generation is along for the ride.

"AM I IN TROUBLE?" START STUDENT OF THE MONTH WINNER HAD NO IDEA HE WAS NOMINATED, AFRAID TO SEE PRINCIPAL



Chuck Boyk, Khalil Cowan, Annie Haley and Ed Perozek

When sophomore Draivon High spotted his parents and choir teacher in the conference room right outside of the principal's office, his facial expression was a combination of fear and confusion. But when Chuck Boyk and Start High principal Ed Perozek explained that he was chosen to be the very first Student of the Month and the winner of a \$50 Visa gift card and pizza lunch, Draivon's face broke into a grin and he exclaimed, "For real? Really? I can't believe it!"

Ms. Claudia Hole, the nominating teacher, went on to explain that she chose Draivon because of the way he took matters into his own hands and called 911 when he spotted a fellow student having a seizure in the hallway. Luckily the student was OK, but Draivon's quick thinking and compassion for others really stuck with Ms. Hole.

"Draivon displayed compassion, empathy and a level head," Ms. Hole said. "Draivon is kind to



Chuck Boyk, Draivon High and Claudia Hole

other students and makes even the shy students feel special. [He] sets an example for other young men to follow."

Also recognized this month was Ms. Annie Haley, who was chosen by junior Khalil Cowan via video submission for the Start High School Teacher Appreciation Video Contest. Khalil's video won him a \$50 Visa gift card and Ms. Haley received a \$250 Visa gift card in recognition of all of her efforts working with special needs students like Khalil.

It is a true testament to her character that when asked how she felt about winning the contest, she was more focused on Khalil and her students.

"Khalil was so excited and so polite when he won!," Ms. Haley said. "I am planning on throwing a pizza party at Rival's pizza next Friday to celebrate our win."



Wade Thompson, his dad, Rod, and the rest of the Boyk Law golf team

GOLF BUDDIES HONOR FALLEN TEAMMATE, RAISE \$6k FOR CANCER

A gorgeous fall day was the setting for an amazing morning full of tributes, camaraderie and good-natured competition to honor 2008 and 2010 Sleepy Hollow Club Champion Jake Zeller, who lost his battle with cancer on May 7, 2013 at the age of 28.

One of the biggest highlights took place before the shotgun start with a stone dedication at the first tee by fellow golfing buddies. "To us Jake was a teammate, he was a partner, he was a great golfer, a courageous fighter and a very fine young man," they said. The event attracted 175 golfers and Team Jake was proud to raise \$6,500 in Jake's honor to donate to The Ohio State University's James Cancer Hospital.

Our Court Runner, Wade Thompson, golfed in the Scramble along with his dad, Rod, and friends Brad Mich and Dan Serio.

Memorial stone placed at the first tee to honor Jake Zeller



RECIPE:

Grandpa Jim's Lip-Smackin' Brown Turkey Sandwiches

Tired of leftover turkey noodle soup the weekend after Thanksgiving? Try this tasty hot treat instead!

INGREDIENTS:

- 8 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled
- 6 slices ciabatta bread, toasted
- 2 Tablespoons butter
- 2 Tablespoons flour
- 1/2 teaspoon Creole seasoning or seasoned salt
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1 cup shredded mild Cheddar cheese
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 4 t Dijon mustard
- 1 teaspoon hot sauce
- 8 to 12 ounces thinly sliced turkey breast
- 2 medium tomatoes, thinly sliced
- Freshly ground black pepper to taste

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. In a medium saucepan over medium heat, melt butter. Stir in flour and Creole seasoning until blended and bubbly. Gradually stir in the milk. Cook, stirring, until the mixture begins to simmer. Simmer, stirring, for 1 minute. Add the cheeses, mustard, and hot sauce. Remove from heat. Cover and keep warm.
2. Under a broiler, arrange the toasted bread on a baking pan. Top each slice of bread with turkey, then arrange tomato slices over the turkey. Sprinkle with freshly ground pepper, then spoon cheese sauce over the tomatoes.
3. Put the open-faced sandwiches under the broiler and broil just until the cheese sauce begins to bubble and brown, about 2 to 3 minutes. Remove from the oven and sprinkle with bacon. Serve hot.



Serves 4 to 6.

BACKIN MACKIN AND BELL: WHY I CHOSE TO PUBLICALLY ENDORSE POLITICAL CANDIDATES

An Open Letter from Chuck Boyk



Tom Mackin



Chuck Boyk with Mayor Mike Bell

Unlike my oldest daughter, Emily, I rarely talk about my political views. I'm not one to announce my stance on issues or publicly endorse a political candidate.

But this election is different, mainly because there are two names on the ballot that are hard to ignore, since their dedication to their communities is so strong that I can't help but voice my support.

On November 5th I urge our readers to vote Tom Mackin for Perrysburg Municipal Court Judge. While I believe that his more than 20 years of experience practicing law, sitting on City Council since 1998 and chairing the Finance Committee for the Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Government will allow him to serve the people of Perrysburg well, it is his demeanor and genuine care for the citizens that make him better for the job than anyone else.

Another candidate who is absolutely dedicated to his town is Mayor Mike Bell. Like many people, he has a vision for the future and a vision for the City of Toledo, but Mayor Bell has proactively worked domestically and internationally to fulfill those visions and bring jobs back to Toledo. He is not afraid to make the tough decisions and to take responsibility for those tough decisions. Mike Bell is the same person on TV that he is talking to individuals on the street, which is why he would be my choice for Mayor.

It is also important for me to mention that my respect for these men runs deeper than simply reading about their credentials in the newspaper. I have been on the opposite side of cases involving both of these candidates throughout my career. I have gone up against Attorney Mackin when he was opposing counsel on different claims that I have handled on behalf of my clients and I have also represented people battling issues involving the same city that Mayor Bell currently leads. Despite our differences in opinion, both have acted with extreme dignity and I admire their candor and hard work, which is why I give my full endorsement to Tom Mackin for Perrysburg Municipal Court Judge and to Mike Bell for Mayor of the City of Toledo.

20th ANNUAL UP ON THE ROOF

Dinner and dancing were on the agenda as nearly 900 guests enjoyed a sold-out evening complete with hor d'oeuvres, cocktails, a three course meal by Cameron Mitchell and the sounds of Chicago-based Ken Arlen Orchestra.

Communications Director Anneke Godlewski volunteered as a host at the event and was thrilled to finally meet in person the same Event Team that was in contact with Team Jake for their Golf Scramble donation.

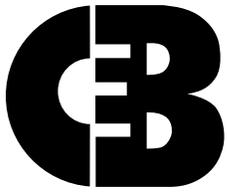
"It is inspiring to see everyone come together and fight for cancer research, whether it is on the dance floor, on the golf course or by pounding the pavement," Anneke said.

While donations are still being tallied for Up on the Roof, it is anticipated that The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Centers – Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute – will receive more than \$500,000 from the night's festivities.



Anneke Godlewski with OSU James Center Event Planner Erika Beasley

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20th ANNUAL KOMEN NORTHWEST OHIO RACE FOR THE CURE

Pounding the pavement once again, the Boyk Law Team and their families took to downtown Toledo to tackle the 3.10 mile Race for the Cure run/walk. Holding umbrellas and pushing strollers, they endured the rain before meeting back in the office for a big breakfast. We are always looking for people to join our Race for the Cure each September, so please remember us next year!



The 2013 Boyk Law Race for the Cure team

CASES OF INTEREST: NOVEMBER 2013

Man May Lose Ability To Have Children After Being Bit In Groin By Great Dane

A US Postal worker was delivering mail when he was attacked by an unprovoked Great Dane dog and bit in the groin. Overnight hospital stays, surgery and the extended need for a catheter were required and the injuries have caused serious bladder problems for the man, in addition to the possibility that he may never be able to produce more children.

Multiple Surgeries Required After Woman Struck While Walking Across McDonald's Parking Lot

A driver not paying attention while pulling out of a McDonald's parking space struck our client and injured her so badly that she has already undergone one of what could be numerous surgeries to her hand and knee. The accident also caused her to need a halo medical device (external pins) around her hand and a torn nerve in her leg requiring her to be on bedrest.

Dump Truck Driver May Need Surgery After Car Accident In Intersection

Our client may be facing shoulder surgery and still cannot use his left arm after being struck by a driver that ran a red light. He was behind the wheel of a dump truck when he was hit so hard that that he needed to be taken to the emergency room via ambulance to seek treatment for his injuries. If undergoing physical therapy still does not help him to fully recover, our client may need to resort to going under the knife.



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