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Betsy's Pumpkin Loaf

Ingredients

- 4 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1/4 cup margarine
- 1 1/4 cups white sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup canned pumpkin
- 1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts

Directions

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Grease one 9x5x3 inch loaf pan.
- Put softened cheese, butter, and sugar in mixing bowl. Cream together well. Beat in eggs one at a time until blended. Mix in pumpkin.
- In another bowl combine flour, soda, baking powder, salt, cinnamon, cloves, and walnuts. Stir until thoroughly mixed. Pour all at once over batter. Stir just enough to moisten. Turn into greased 9x5x3 inch loaf pan.
- Bake at 350 degrees F for 60-70 minutes until inserted toothpick comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes in pan. Remove to rack to finish cooling. *Makes one 9x5x3 in. loaf.*

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BMV locations.

More than anything, Leggett says, it is important for MADD to humanize the effects of drunk driving.

For example, our law firm is currently handling a case where a woman was killed by a drunk driver while on her way to help with her granddaughter's upcoming wedding (see Cases of Interest).

Her death is one of almost 12,000 fatalities that will occur this year as a result of drunk driving accidents.

"These victims are real," Leggett says, "and this needs to stop."

For more information or to volunteer locally, visit www.madd.org or call Julie at (800) 691-6233.



Cases of Interest our office is handling

20-year-old passenger on a motorcycle is flung from bike after it is hit into oncoming traffic. She was taken to the hospital via ambulance and immediately underwent surgery to repair a fractured hip and pelvis. She now is dependent on family and friends' care-giving and had to drop out of school for the semester.

58-year-old woman is killed after a drunk driver strikes her vehicle. This cancer survivor was hit head-on and smashed into a ditch, killing her on the day she also got a promotion at work. She was on her way to help with the planning of her granddaughter's wedding.

28-year-old woman suffers dog attack as she tries to shoo the dog from her campsite. She suffered a critical bite to several layers of the fascia and muscle in her calf which resulted in nerve damage. She will have to be set up with a plastic surgeon and a neurologist when her scar matures if there is still nerve damage.

56-year-old man injured at work while lifting a steel box. He hit his head and was unconscious for 20 minutes. He now suffers neck pain, memory loss, mood swings, loss of sleep and headaches.



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Joshua: Little Kid, Big Accident

By Attorney Charles E. Boyk

August 9, 2010 was a life-changing day for my family. Every parent's worst nightmare came true for my wife Joann and me that day.

I received a phone call at work from a family friend who said our youngest child, Joshua, 8, had fallen from the three-meter high dive onto the concrete below while at a private swim club. I could hear Joshua's scream in the background of the phone call.

Our entire family rushed to Toledo Children's Hospital. The EMS squad brought Joshua in, unconscious and accompanied by his brother Jacob, 11. Jacob had been at the pool and rode in the ambulance



Joshua, before his accident

with Joshua.

The trauma unit concluded Joshua had a traumatic brain injury, bruising and bleeding of the brain, a fractured skull and a blood clot that required immediate surgery.

Joshua's ordeal included 23 days in the

hospital, the first 12 of which were spent in intensive care. He underwent two brain surgeries to remove blood clots and spent the first four days of his stay unconscious and on a ventilator.

Joshua had just turned a corner when he contracted viral meningitis. A return to the ventilator, a 105-degree fever and 14 days of intensive antibiotics ensued.

He spent his last week in the hospital being weaned off the narcotic medications he had been on throughout his stay.

Joshua is currently undergoing outpatient physical therapy. We're so thankful to have him home and safe, and our hope is for a quick and complete recovery as he continues to heal.

A Thank-You To Our Friends

My family and I would like to thank the following people for their kindness, prayers, help and positive thoughts:

- The parents and families of the Perrysburg Soccer Club
- The parents and families of Maumee Valley Country Day School
- Our friends and clients throughout North-

west Ohio, the United States and Canada

- All of the doctors, nurses and staff at Toledo Children's Hospital who helped our family through this difficult experience.

MADD Helps Drunk Driving Victims Create a “New Normal”

Finding yourself as the victim of an accident that wasn't your fault is never easy.

When the person who is at fault is a drunk driver, though, acceptance can be much harder to come by.

But that's where MADD comes in.

With chapters all over the county, Mothers Against Drunk Driving has been working for 30 years to protect the rights of people who have suffered automobile accidents at the hands of drunk drivers.

“We're in it for the long haul,” said Julie Leggett, MADD Northeastern Ohio Affiliate Executive Director. “We become good listeners and a support system for these victims.”

As an organization, MADD strives to help victims of drunk driving accidents through the legal process as well as the process of healing. Their mission statement, “The mission of Mothers Against Drunk Driving is to stop drunk driving, support the victims of this violent crime and prevent under-

age drinking,” personifies their major goals.

According to Leggett, the aide provided as victims go through the court process is “probably the biggest asset” MADD provides. She says many victims and families of victims do not realize at the outset of their case just how long and difficult the process of taking a case to court can be. Because of this, MADD encourages all victims they work with to get a



lawyer right away.

Attorney Chuck Boyk echoes this sentiment.

“It can take months or even years to settle these types of cases,” he said. “In the end, though, the most important thing is standing up for the rights of the victims.”

MADD operates on a grassroots level all over the country. All victim advocacy is conducted through local chapters. Volunteers work with entities such as

the State Highway Patrol and local police departments to track alcohol-related accidents and reach out to the victims. They help with all OVI (Operating a Vehicle while Intoxicated) cases, from those involving property damage to wrongful death cases.

Leggett says seeing victims and their families go through the court process and come through the other side on a path to recovery is one of the best examples of a success story.

“When we can help them find that ‘new normal’ it's really rewarding,” she said.

MADD also conducts fundraisers and other awareness-building campaigns, such as Tie One On for Safety. This program runs from November until January and involves the distribution of red ribbons, which are tied to car antennas and signify a dedication to eradicating drunk driving.

MADD partners with local DUI task forces and prosecutor's offices, and the ribbons are distributed at police departments and

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Where's Steve?

The Charles E. Boyk Law Offices are proud to congratulate Steve on the award he was given by the Red Cross in September.

Steve was given this award for the hard work he put into the Restaurants for Relief fundraiser, which collected money to aid victims of June's devastating tornados.

“This is such an honor,” Steve

said. “I'm blown away.”

With Steve's help, Restaurants for Relief raised over \$47,000. The money was donated to the Red Cross and went to help the people affected by the tornados rebuild their lives.

“We're very proud of the charitable work Steve does,” said attorney Charles Boyk.

For more information about what Steve's been up to, visit www.wheresstever.com or follow him on Twitter: @wheresstever.



Steve proudly shows off the award he received from the Red Cross for the money he raised for victims of June's tornados.

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What I Took Away From Joshua's Accident

Attorney Charles Boyk tells what he learned following his son's fall

Joshua's injury has taught me several lessons:

- Appreciate what is most important in life and don't take your loved ones and their health for granted.
- Ninety-nine percent of what

we worry about on a daily basis is of little or no importance and generally is a waste of our time.

- Positive thoughts and prayer can make all the difference in the world.
- Family and friends will rally around you in a time of need. Accept their prayers, kind words and friendship—and be grateful for it.

Viral Video Contest Will Award \$25,000 in Scholarships

Our law firm is pleased to announce that it is the northeast regional sponsor of the 2010-11 American Lawyer Academy (ALA) Viral Video Scholarship Contest.

The scholarship program is dedicated to the thousands of accident

victims who are injured or killed in motor vehicle

collisions each year in the United States and hopes to save lives with a positive viral message.

High school and college students nationwide are encouraged to submit their public service announcement/viral-style videos promoting safe driving. All submissions must be no more than 120 seconds long, including content, credits, etc.

“Our mission is to both promote safe driving and to protect those who have been injured as a result of unsafe motorists on the roads,” said attorney Charles Boyk.

According to the Ohio Department of Transportation, Ohio has the nation's fourth-largest interstate system and the fifth-highest

volume of overall traffic. There are an average of three fatal car accidents on these roadways every day, or one fatality every 7.1 hours.

“We hope these viral videos will send a positive message to young people about how impor-

tant it is to be a safe driver,” said Boyk.

The American Lawyer Academy Viral Video Scholarship Contest offers \$25,000 in scholarships toward college tuition at a recognized academic institution.

Students who want to use their talent and creativity to help spread a positive message that captures the imagination of the YouTube generation can visit <http://www.charlesboyk-law.com/library/viral-video-scholarship-contest-northeast-region.cfm> to get video submission details and contest rules. Entries and questions can also be sent to northeasternregion@viralvideoscholarshipcontest.com.

Steve's Rave Review: Petit Fours Patisserie and The Café at The Oliver House

The Oliver House is a collection of restaurants in one building with shared menus (and some unique items as well). Guests can also enjoy Mawmee Bay Brewing Company beers at each location.

Strength of drink: I sampled two microbrew beers: toasted coconut and hazelnut porter. Both were delicious and full of flavor.

Ambience: I was waiting the whole time for Martha Stewart to skip out and serve me a cupcake. Wonderful art, beautiful décor and a pinch of old-world charm make this a feast for the eyes.

Food: I had jambalaya as part of their “Power Lunch,” which is offered daily for \$9. Hats off to the chef! And the cupcakes are to die for.

Service: The service was great. My server, Julian, made suggestions, named the specials and made me feel right at home.

Pricing: The head chef has created some of the most sophisticated food I've ever tasted and the pricing is right on for the quality you get.

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