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AEROSOL CANS – SAFETY TIPS & INFORMATION

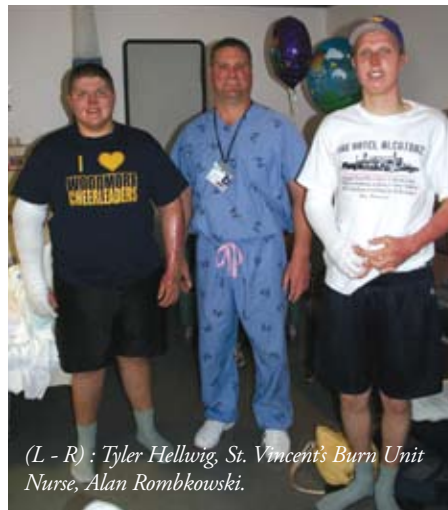
They are more dangerous than you may think. Go ahead, just Google some videos of cans being ignited by fire and you will see that it is not something to play around with. A little more than a year ago, our clients, Alan Rombkowski and Tyler Hellwig were at a friend's house enjoying a small country fire when an explosion took place. Someone had carelessly left an aerosol can out in the yard near the fire. As the night went on and the can heated up, the pressure built up in the can, causing it to explode. Both boys, who were finishing up their junior year of high school, were taken by LifeFlight to Mercy St. Vincent Hospital. The helicopter pilot told them that they were lucky to be alive. With burns to their face, arms and legs, Alan and Tyler had a long recovery ahead of them.

Although not done maliciously, if proper safety precautions had been taken that day, this accident would have been completely preventable. People often underestimate the true danger aerosol cans pose. The sound of the explosion alone is enough to break eardrums. They can ignite from a distance, if left outside they can become soft and easier to blow up, and when they explode they can send shrapnel with enough force to seriously injure or kill a person. While Alan and Tyler were

in the hospital there was another aerosol can burn victim in there as well. He had thrown a can into a burn barrel not realizing how dangerous it was. The can exploded and the man received very severe burns to his legs. Another man in the area recently caught fire as he was standing by a grill and was applying sunscreen from an aerosol can. No matter what people say, playing with aerosol cans is not fun and games and is not worth the risk.

More than a year later our clients, Alan and Tyler, have recovered from their accident and both graduated high school. Alan graduated from Penta Career Center/Maumee High School where he studied law enforcement and is headed to Finger Lakes College in the fall to play baseball and major in conservation law. Tyler graduated from Woodmore High School and is going to Ohio State University's Wooster campus where he will be majoring in agricultural science. They are lucky. The dangers of aerosol cans should not be taken lightly. Please follow all safety precautions when dealing with them and never, never get them anywhere near extreme heat or fire.

If you would like to see Alan's interview about the incident check out: abclocal.go.com/kfsn/video?id=8121851&pid=8121850



(L - R) : Tyler Hellwig, St. Vincent's Burn Unit Nurse, Alan Rombkowski.



READY OR NOT, HERE IT COMES... A NEW SCHOOL YEAR!

It's a new school year!!! Whether you like it or not, school is starting, and we can't hold on to summer vacation for forever. Don't worry though, it will come around the same time next year. Whether you are a parent or a child, starting the school year off right is so important. Good habits and great attitudes can help set the pace for the whole year. After a summer of closed text books and relaxed schedules, sometimes it can be difficult to get back into the swing of things and you or your child may need a refresher course to help remember everything that the sand and beach washed away. Our office has some experienced parents, and we asked them to share some words of wisdom about getting both parent and child ready for the school year.

Here's what they had to say:

- Make a schedule-As soon as you know the schedule for the year, jot it down on a calendar that the whole family can see. This way, you don't show up for the soccer game in a leotard or to boy scouts with a violin. Also, don't forget to get a copy of the school calendar as well so that you can mark down those important dates.
- Review-It is likely that some of the information your child learned the previous school year has become a little foggy. Stay on top of this and help them mentally prepare by going through flash cards, reviewing facts and reading. You can even make it fun by turning it into some sort of game.
- Schedule doctor's appointments as soon as possible- These things can easily slip out of our minds, but staying on top of these things doesn't just ensure that your child is healthy, but also will save you a lot of stress trying to schedule them last minute.
- Fill out all the paperwork- Remember those medical requests and other paperwork you received? Don't forget to fill those out and return to the school as soon as possible.
- Prepare the night before: To save you from running around in the morning, prepare for the next day the night before. Pack lunches, lay out clothes, and even go over the next day's schedule before you go to bed, that way you have nothing to worry about the next morning.
- Do something special-the beginning of the school year can be very exciting, but it also can bring about some nervousness in your child. Dropping a little note in their lunch or baking them their favorite cookies for when they come home can help make their day extra special and put them at ease.

BOYK'S JULY TOP 10

- We signed up 44 new cases.
- We settled 27 cases worth over a total of \$1.4 million dollars.
- Going to start a new contest: Chuck's Challenge – Be on the lookout in the next month or so for more information!
- Marketing Director Ashley Henninger and Attorney Nicholas Dodosh presented at an EPIC (Engaging People, Inspiring Change) Meeting on July 11th They provided insight to members on what types of cases our firm handles and what we could do for them in the future.
- Made the final touches on the new Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC website! Check it out at www.charlesboyk-law.com – let us know what you think of the new look!
- As of July 18th Chuck was AV Rated by his peers on Martindale Hubbell (see additional article for more information on this new rating) – He will receive a plaque not only for himself but we will also receive a plaque for the firm. Since Mike and Chuck are AV rated, the Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC is now an AV rated firm!

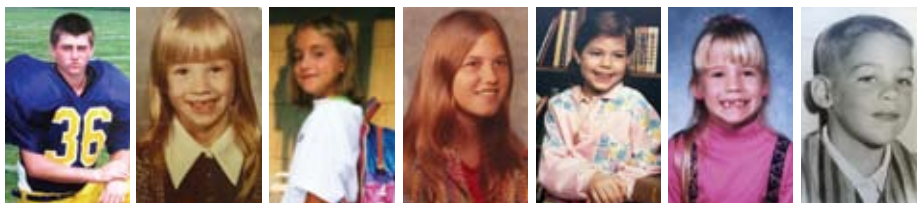
YOUR FIRST TEST FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

For us at the Charles Boyk Law Office, the new school year always brought excitement about what our new classes would hold. So, in light of these new classes starting up all around us, we decided to take a poll of what our employees' favorite subjects were "back in the day." So here's a test: see if you can match the favorite subject to the correct employee. Mail us your guesses (number & letter for each guess) and you will be entered to win a \$25 gift card to Barnes & Noble.

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| A) English and Bible | E) Art and History | J) Reading |
| B) Math/Calculus | F) Typing | K) English |
| C) Gym | G) Math | L) English and Math |
| D) Science | H) American Government | M) Home Economics |
| | I) Speech | N) Social Studies/History |



1) Chuck 2) Lisa 3) Cynthia 4) Emmy 5) Leslie 6) Nick 7) Maria



8) Wade 9) Peggy 10) Ashley 11) Kim 12) Cindy 13) Stacey 14) Mike



Mia Bruno

- Mike Bruno's grandpuppy, Mia, visited from New York. Mike's son, Nick, and his fiancée Vanessa were in town for one of their wedding showers. Nick and Vanessa are getting married in September.
- Some of the final touches were made on the Boyk Magazine – Injured Times – that will hopefully be published in September.
- The marketing department worked hard on the website, writing over 15 new pages, 139 new blogs, and 10 new videos including client testimonials. Be sure to check out all the new content at www.charlesboyk-law.com today!
- On July 24th we started production for our new testimonial commercial. Be sure to check out our commercials airing this September on Fox Toledo!

RECIPE

MARIA'S REFRESHING SUMMER DESSERT

"I love to make this dessert in the summer! It's easy, light, and somewhat healthy!" – Maria DiCarlo, Legal Assistant.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 Super Moist Yellow Cake Mix
- 1 Small box of Raspberry Jell-O mix
- 1 Large container of Cool Whip
- 2 Containers Raspberries
- 1 Container of Blueberries

DIRECTIONS:

- Prepare Yellow cake mix as directed in a 9 x 13 baking pan. Let cool.
- Prepare Jell-O as directed. Do not let the Jell-O set all the way. Take out of fridge about halfway, when the Jell-O

just starts to form.

- After cake cools, poke holes on the top of the cake with a fork creating little caves to pour Jell-O in. Create as many as you like. The more you create, the more moist the cake.
- Take partially set Jell-O out of fridge & spoon into the holes of the cake.
- Frost the cake with the Cool Whip.
- Line the top of the cake with raspberries and blueberries however you choose.
- Get creative and make a neat design!

Enjoy!



CHARLES BOYK & MICHAEL BRUNO: A/V RATED ON MARTINDALE-HUBBELL

As you may remember from our March newsletter, Chuck Boyk and Mike Bruno have already achieved a perfect 10.0 rating on AVVO.com, which rates attorneys largely based on client reviews of the service that the client received.

Now, the Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC are proud to announce the achievement of another milestone in excellence: Chuck and Mike have both received an "A/V" rating from Martindale-Hubbell, which is the highest rating that an attorney can receive.

This rating is so significant because Martindale-Hubbell rates attorneys based largely on a peer review system. In other words, other attorneys across the state and across the country who have worked alongside (or against) Chuck and Mike have consistently reported to Martindale-Hubbell that Chuck and Mike are among the absolute best attorneys in the business. Specifically, the A/V rating indicates that the attorney has achieved a combination of a "Very High General Ethical Standards" rating and a "Very High Legal Ability" rating.

The General Ethical Standards rating is based on standards of conduct, ethics, reliability, diligence, and other criteria relevant to the discharge of professional responsibilities. The Legal Ability rating is based on performance in the areas of legal knowledge, analytical capabilities, judgment, communication ability, and legal experience.

Martindale-Hubbell has been around for over a century and is the gold standard of all attorney rating organizations. Martindale-Hubbell's history began back in 1868, when lawyer and businessman James B. Martindale first published "The Martindale Directory." Mr. Martindale's purpose in publishing the directory was "to furnish to lawyers, bankers, wholesale merchants,

manufacturers, real estate agents, and all others... the address of one reliable law firm, one reliable bank, and one reliable real estate office in every city in the United States..." Today, Martindale-Hubbell remains THE fundamental legal resource for those seeking a reliable and dependable attorney.

The elite Martindale-Hubbell A/V rating is a definite factor that potential clients should consider when choosing a law firm, and it is a rating that belongs to an exclusive group of top-notch attorneys. Chuck Boyk stated, "I am proud that Mike and I are regarded so highly by our peers. A large amount of our clients are referred to our office by other attorneys who know and trust us." Perhaps even more significantly, many local attorneys trust Chuck and Mike with the attorneys' very own personal legal matters. "We represent a lot of attorneys and their families. When another attorney asks me to handle a case for them or a family member, I consider that one of the highest compliments someone can give me," said Chuck Boyk.

Chuck and Mike have been practicing law for 29 years and handle a wide range of cases, but even if a client needs help in an area of law where they do not practice, Chuck and Mike know who the best attorneys in town are and can refer the client to another excellent attorney. This is why we pride ourselves in being the go-to Toledo law firm – no matter what your legal issue may be, we can help.

A/V certification is a significant rating accomplishment – a testament to the fact that a lawyer's peers rank him at the highest level of professional excellence. To see Chuck and Mike's Martindale-Hubbell profiles visit www.martindale.com today!



FAMILY PHOTO CONTEST

Congratulations to our winners, The Mish Family, on winning our summer family photo contest! Don't worry, you have another chance to enter our Fall contest! You can win in three easy steps:

- Take this newsletter on vacation
- Take a picture of your family with it
- Tell us where you were
- Submit your photo to marketing@charlesboyk-law.com

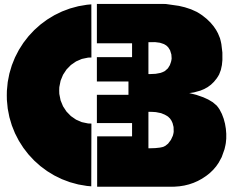
Send us your picture and we will enter you in a drawing for a Rave Motion Picture gift card valued at \$25!

** All submissions for the FALL contest must be in by October 10, 2012**



The Mish family visiting Put-In-Bay

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NEW WEBSITE

Have you been to our website recently? (www.charlesboyk-law.com) If you have, you should have noticed a new and cleaner look! Our new website launched at the end of June. Check out our new site and let us know if you like it! Don't forget to "Like" our page, tweet about it or Google+1 our page! You can do all of that by clicking the scrolling icon bar located on the left side of the web page.



CASES OF INTEREST: AUGUST 2012

CAR RUNS A RED-LIGHT CAUSING MOTORCYCLIST TO LOSE CONTROL

Our client was traveling southbound in Monclova Township on his motorcycle when a vehicle attempted to do a U-Turn in front of him after running a red light. This caused our client to lose control of his motorcycle and crash. He was transferred by EMS to St. Luke's in Maumee, Ohio where he was treated for his injuries. He sustained a closed head laceration to his forehead which required seven staples, an x-ray of his ribs, and a CT scan of his head. He is still undergoing treatment for the injuries he sustained.

INJURED ON A WATER RIDE AT CEDAR POINT

Our client, who is 14 years old, was visiting the popular amusement park – Cedar Point – located in Sandusky, Ohio when he was injured. Our client was riding one of the water rides – Snake River – when he broke both bones in his left forearm. Our client was seen at Fireland's Regional Hospital in Sandusky, Ohio for his injury.

PASSENGER LEFT WITH MULTIPLE INJURES AFTER ROLLOVER ACCIDENT

Our client, who is 18 years old, was riding in a vehicle with her boyfriend when he lost control coming around a curve in Napoleon, Ohio. Her boyfriend drove off the right side of the road, then overcorrected and re-entered the roadway - traveling partially into the eastbound lane of travel. The boyfriend then overcorrected a second time causing the vehicle to spin 180 degrees, slide off the roadway, travel down an embankment, and strike two trees. Our client was rushed by EMS to Henry County Hospital where she was immediately treated for a brain injury, a fracture in her spine, a broken neck and a collapsed lung. She was then transferred to St. Vincent's Hospital in Toledo for further treatment of her injuries.

New address or phone number? Help us stay current by letting us know!

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