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# WARNING! METAL-ON-METAL HIP REPLACEMENTS CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY! CALL US IF THIS APPLIES TO YOU.



As the number of metal-on-metal hip replacements continue to increase, it is important for all hip replacement recipients to understand the serious medical health problems that patients are facing.

Experts are alleging that the design of the many of the metal-on-metal devices is contributing to major medical complications, especially in the cases of the DePuy ASR, made by Johnson & Johnson, and the Biomet M2A Magnum. Both the DePuy ASR and the Biomet Magnum's metal-on-metal designs were marketed to active, younger hip replacement candidates, and many were told the hip system would last for many years to come. Instead, many of these patients are experiencing the need for a revision surgery after a few short years.

Many typical hip replacement devices include plastic components, but all of the DePuy ASR and the Biomet Magnum's pieces are made of metal, including the femoral head, the stem and the acetabular cup.

As the patient moves, the metal pieces grind against one another, causing tiny particles of metal to flake off of the device and enter the body. These particles have caused a wide range of problems, including:

- Pain
- Swelling
- Immobility
- Pseudo tumors
- Difficulty standing
- Loosening of the device
- Elevated levels of cobalt and chromium in the bloodstream

Cases against both manufacturers are currently in litigation, and the DePuy ASR was voluntarily recalled. If you or a loved one underwent a metal-on-metal hip replacement, it is imperative that you contact a lawyer immediately so that they can help you find out what type of replacement you have. For more information on metal-on-metal hip replacements, contact us immediately at 419.241.1395.



# E-MAIL HACKING — CAN IT BE PREVENTED?



As some of you may know, Chuck's e-mail was hacked back in May, and a fraudulent e-mail was sent from his account. The e-mail was sent out to everyone Chuck has ever communicated with via e-mail. We got numerous calls and e-mails from attorneys, business partners, insurance agents and friends regarding this e-mail. The e-mail stated the following:

"I'm writing this with tears in my eyes, I came down to Philippines for a short vacation but unfortunately I was mugged at the park on my way to hotel where I lodge. All cash, credit card and my cell phone were stolen from me but luckily for me, I still have my passport with me. I've been to the embassy and the Police here but they're not helping issues at all and my flight leaves in a couple of hours but am having

problems settling the hotel bills and the hotel manager won't let me leave until I settle the bills. I need urgent assistance."

Chuck loves to go on vacation with his family, but he was not in the Philippines nor was he mugged! We wanted to provide you with some helpful tips on what you can do so your e-mail and computer won't get hacked in the future! We asked Chris Huss, from Pinnacle Consulting, what to do when your e-mail account is hacked. Here is his advice:

- The first thing you want to do is to change the password-if you can gain access to your account. You will want to make it something with Capital Letter, Numbers and Symbols (#, &, etc). This will prevent someone from using a program that generates passwords with real words that are easy to hack.
- Make sure your e-mail address account has a backup e-mail address that is valid to send lost passwords to. The hacker could also have added his e-mail here-so be sure to check it out.
- Make sure your e-mail is not being forwarded to another e-mail account that is not yours.
- Change the security questions for your email account if applicable.
- Use different passwords for all of your online activities- e-mail, banking, credit cards, etc.
- If they have e-mailed people in your address book be sure to notify them that your account was hacked and make sure they do not respond to requests for money or other information.

### BOYK'S JUNE TOP 10

- We signed up 32 new cases.
- We are going to start a new contest: Chuck's Challenge – Be on the lookout in the coming months for more information!
- Peggy Bergman's son's soccer team was a finalist in the OYSAN State Cup Tournament, part of the National Championship Series held on June 7th at the Copley Soccer Complex in Akron Ohio.



- The office helped celebrate Attorney Nick Dodosh's birthday on June 28th.
- Insurance agent Michael Carroll from Carroll Insurance visited our office.
- Made the final touches on the new Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC website! Check it out www.charlesboyk-law.com – let us know what you think of the new look!
- Congratulations to McKinley Williams for being the first person to call in and tell us where Cardboard Chuck was on the June newsletter! He won 4 Toledo Mud Hens Tickets!
- We would like to welcome Lisa Niscior to our team! Lisa will be working on the medical reviews and making client follow-up calls. Welcome Lisa!
- June 20th was the first official day of summer, and it was a hot one!
- Lots of weddings in the month of June. Emmy, the marketing assistant, traveled to New York & New Jersey for weddings, and Attorney Mike Bruno's son Peter got married on June 23rd in Sylvania, Ohio. Congratulations Mr. & Mrs. Peter Bruno!

#### FUN SUMMER PROJECTS/IDEAS- ARE YOUR KIDS DRIVING YOU CRAZY YET?

As we reach the middle of summer vacation, we wanted to give you some different ideas to add fun and laughter to your days. Here are some water games, yummy summer treats, scavenger hunts and nature activities to enjoy as a family:

- Water games- In the heat, refreshing water games always go over well.
- Sponge Toss- Fill a bucket with water and put a big sponge in there. At first, the players stand very close together and toss the sponge to each other. After each toss, the players take a step back. The sponge should be rewet often.
- Add the sprinkler to a game like tag, running bases, or Frisbee.
- Ice Cube Rescue- Fill up a kiddie pool and

- dump in the ice from several trays. It is best if the ice cubes are on the big side. Two people sit around the side of the pool and try to remove the ice cubes with their feet! If there are more than two people, you can make this a relay.
- Summer treat: It is fun to make summertime snacks with the kids. Try making an ice cream pie. Take about 27 of your favorite chocolate sandwich cookies and break them up in the blender. Pat them on to a greased pie plate. Scoop softened ice cream onto the pie crust. Pour chocolate syrup on top and add some extra cookie crumbs. Put it in the freezer for 30 minutes.
- Scavenger Hunts: this is a great activity because

- it can take as much preparation or as little as you want it to. Scavenger Hunts that can happen anywhere include:
- Colors of the Rainbow: Write down the colors of the rainbow. Have the kids find one item that is each color.
- Letter of the alphabet: 26 letters can be long, so write out your last name or a phrase like "Scavenger Hunt" and have the kids look for items that begin with each letter in the name or phrase.
- One to Ten: List the numbers one to ten on a page. The kids need to find ten of one object (like 10 rocks), nine of something else (9 blades of grass)...etc.

#### **RECIPE**

# LISA'S FAMOUS FRUIT PIZZA

"It's wonderful to take to picnics. I've made it a few times and there is never a slice left over!" – Lisa Niscior, Legal Assistant.

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- In a large bowl, cream together the butter and 3/4 cup sugar until smooth. Mix in egg. Combine the flour, cream of tartar, baking soda and salt; stir into the creamed mixture until just blended. Press dough into an ungreased pizza pan.
- Bake in preheated oven for 8 to 10 minutes, or until lightly browned.
- In a large bowl, beat cream cheese with 1/2 cup sugar and vanilla until light. Spread on cooled crust.
- Arrange desired fruit on top of filling and chill.

#### INGREDIENTS:

- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 3/4 cup white sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon cream of tartar
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 (8 ounce) package cream cheese
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- teaspoons vanilla extract



# CHUCK BOYK'S RUN-IN WITH ROAD RAGE: WHAT TO DO IF YOU FIND YOURSELF IN A SIMILAR SITUATION

We all know the saying "accidents happen." But what happens when an accident is followed by a case of road rage? Chuck Boyk recently found himself in such a situation.

It was a Sunday afternoon and after missing a turn, Chuck was turning his truck around in what appeared to be an empty parking lot. However, while Chuck was backing up he bumped into a car which had quietly snuck up on him. The driver of the car, who was from Texas, was not a happy camper. He sprung from his vehicle and immediately began screaming at Chuck, calling him every name in the book. "I have been called a lot of names in my life. The other driver's 'names' were new even for me," said Chuck.

The other driver then approached Chuck, put his fist right up to Chuck's head, and repeatedly threatened to break Chuck's face. It was at this point that Chuck told his wife-who was still safe in the truck-to call the police. Fortunately for Chuck and his face, the situation deescalated when the police showed up.

Although in hindsight we can laugh about these situations, at the time they can be very scary and potentially dangerous. We thought we would share with you some tips from roadragers.com about what to do if you are confronted with a case of road rage:

 Don't retaliate. Never take anything the other driver says personally. He/she is only reacting on a road rage instinct.

- Don't make eye contact with an angry driver.
- Before you react to anything, ask yourself, "Is getting back at that jerk worth my life?"
- Be polite and courteous, even when others
- Always ask yourself, "Could the other driver have possibly made a mistake?"
- If you are harassed by another driver and being followed, do not go home. Go to the nearest police station.
- Slow down and relax!
- Never underestimate another driver's capacity for mayhem.
- Reduce your driving stress by allowing enough time to get where you are going. Know the roads that are under construction and listen to weather reports that may cause traffic delays. Practice patience and keep your cool.
- Remember that you cannot control the drivers around you, but you can control the way they affect your well-being. Be calm and drive safely.

Following these simple tips can help you if you are confronted with a case of road rage-they could even save your life! Chuck Boyk agreed, "I am happy that my lovely face remains intact."



### FAMILY PHOTO CONTEST

Going on vacation this summer? Want to win a contest? You can win in just four easy steps:

- Take this newsletter on vacation
- Take a picture of your family with the newsletter
- 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 Cinema Gift Card valued at \$25 and Toledo Mud Hens Tickets! We will feature all the pictures in our September newsletter.

\*\* All submissions must be in by August 10th 2012

#### YouTube: THE OFFICE VIDEO

Have you ever wondered what the employees here at the Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC do on a daily basis? You may work with several different employees throughout your case, but some of the employees you may not work with at all. You may see some employees only once while you're in the office for either your initial meeting or signing final paperwork.

But now you can see what everyone here at the Charles E. Boyk Law Offices does! Check out our version of "The Office" on our YouTube channel (follow this link: http://youtu.be/Mok5kcJtr\_U). You can also check out our other educational and informational videos on our YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/ceboyk).



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# THANK YOU TO NEW CLIENTS

**Welcome!** We would like to welcome our new clients this past month. We sincerely appreciate the confidence you have placed in us. Visit us on the web at

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#### **CHUCK IN 1975!**

Chuck Boyk with former Vice President Hubert Humphrey back in 1975! Chuck was a senior in high school when he attended the Presidential Classroom For Young Americans, which took place in Washington, D.C. Charles ran and got Vice President Humphrey's signature on his plane ticket.



# CASES OF INTEREST: JULY 2012

#### ELDERLY COUPLE BROAD-SIDED By a semi

An elderly couple was driving along State Route 2 in Archbold, Ohio, when a semi truck that failed to stop at a stop sign broadsided them. Our clients were rushed to Fulton County Health Center where they were treated for their injures. The husband has a fractured sternum and a punctured lung. The wife has injuries to her neck, hand, left side and leg. They were both hospitalized for 20 days and are now being treated by an orthopedic surgeon.

#### MINIVAN RUNS RED LIGHT HITTING OUR CLIENT

Our client was driving down Monclova road when he was t-boned by a vehicle that ran a red light. He was rushed to The University of Toledo Medical center where he has undergone four surgeries, has broken vertebrae, and injuries to his knee.

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### WOMAN 8-MONTHS PREGNANT INJURED ON 1-75

CASE FILE

Our client was driving down I-75 South, in Toledo, Ohio, when she was struck by a vehicle trying to switch lanes. Our client was in the left lane when the defendant, who was driving in the middle lane, decided to switch lanes. The defendant hit our client, who was eight months pregnant at the time of the accident. She was seen at the Toledo Hospital for neck, back and left hip pain as well as severe cramping. She was kept overnight for observation of her baby. She is being treated by a chiropractor and her OBGYN.

