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**TRIBUTE TO TOLEDOANS: WORLD TRAVELER RETURNS HOME AFTER A LIFETIME ABROAD**



*William Elvoid in the Navy*

There are some Toledoans who truly understand the meaning of the term, "Home is where the heart is."

We had such an overwhelming response to February's newsletter offer to give away five copies of Lou Hebert's book, *Day by Day in Toledo: An Almanac of the Interesting, Important, and Unusual Stories of Toledo's Past*, that copies ran out the first day of the contest. But even more exciting were the beautiful stories about Toledo that contestants shared about their hometown. Each month we will highlight one of the book recipients and their link to the Glass City, as we uncover their untold stories and pass down their fond memories.

In order to receive a copy of Lou's book, readers had to submit what Toledo meant to them. While the answers varied, there was

one common theme: Toledo is filled with interesting people who always find their way back "home."

Take for instance 83-year-old William Elvoid, who travelled all over the world as a Navy sailor and all over the country as a chef for Amtrak, before retiring in his hometown.

"On Pinewood Avenue a midwife brought me into the world in the front room of my grandmother's house," William said. "It was 1930. Back then people all lived together. My mom and dad and I lived with my grandmother, and I was an only child. I was my grandma's 'baby'; I was so spoiled. She'd always say, 'That's my child!' and I would go with her everywhere she went."

William remembers when milk was delivered to doorsteps by a man on a horse and when long walks to school in the blowing snow simply meant having to walk backward to keep the wind and weather off of your face.



*Working as an Amtrak chef*

When he was a boy, the fun thing to do on a Saturday was to go down to the Toledo Art Museum with the other neighborhood kids and take free art classes all day in the basement.



*William with a "Day by Day in Toledo"*

William left his life as a Scott High School track athlete to serve as an Army Paratrooper at the age of 15, before the service discharged him when they discovered just how young he was. His family moved to Las Vegas shortly thereafter, and after graduating from Pasadena City College, William enlisted in the Navy, where he served for 12 years.

"I've seen everything," William recalled. "I've been to Tripoli, Nice, Athens, Naples, North Africa – you name it. We would be out at sea all week and be in a different country each weekend."

After the Navy, Amtrak sent him to study at the Culinary Institute of America in Poughkeepsie, New York.

"Spending 30 years on the railroad took me to every major city in the United States," William said. "I met all types of people from all walks of life on those trains."

Despite all of the excitement of life abroad, William chose to settle in Toledo.

"This city's got a lot of history," he said. "It means a lot to me."

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# CLYDE CANCER CLUSTER UPDATE: FAMILIES WON THE BATTLE, NOW ALLOWED TO GO TO WAR



*The Faces of the Clyde Cancer Cluster*  
**Clockwise from top left: Dave Hisey and his son, Tanner, who has battled leukemia; Clyde residents at a Town Hall meeting; Jacob "Bubba" Andrews who passed away from Glioblastoma Multiforme in March 2012; Alexa Brown, who passed away from pediatric medulloblastoma in August 2009; and Warren Brown, Alexa's father.**

The Honorable James G. Carr allowed the Clyde Cancer Cluster case to move forward on February 10, 2014, by denying Whirlpool's motion to dismiss the plaintiffs' complaint in the Clyde Cancer Cluster lawsuit.

Whirlpool had tried to get the Court to dismiss the cancer victims' claims for negligence, wrongful death and loss of consortium, and prevent them from proving punitive damages. In other words, Whirlpool asked the Judge to drop the lawsuit altogether.

The Court denied this request, entitling the Clyde Cancer Cluster victims to begin the discovery process of the litigation.

"This is a huge decision that will for the first time require Whirlpool to reveal the information that they have been reluctant to disclose," Chuck Boyk said. "It is one small step in the search for the truth, and we look forward to examining the information that Whirlpool will have to release."

The discovery process will involve Whirlpool having to reveal an array of records, in addition to allowing the deposition of their employees.

"The most important part of the decision not to dismiss is the fact that it provides the Clyde Cancer Cluster victims and their families the opportunity to properly fight the long battle they have been waiting to fight," Attorney Alan Mortensen said.

# START HIGH SCHOOL'S STUDENT & TEACHERS OF THE MONTH



*Gloria Wise and Jahneil Douglas*

Start High School Algebra teacher Gloria Wise was so impressed that her student, Jahneil Douglas, publically stood up for his special-needs classmate that she felt he deserved to be nominated for Student of the Month.

"Not only did Jahneil try to protect his classmate from the unkind student, he also insisted that that student apologize right then and there," Ms. Wise said.

The integrity shown by the freshman paid off, as he was chosen for January's Student of the Month and therefore received a \$50 Visa gift card.

Another excited gift card recipient was Social Studies teacher Kenneth Crosley, who won a \$250 Visa gift card for being named January's Teacher of the Month.

"What?!" Mr. Crosley exclaimed when he received his prize. "I was not expecting this! I appreciate it!"



*Ashley Tafelski and Kenneth Crosley*

Sophomore Ashley Tafelski was the one who nominated Mr. Crosley, since his teaching style really got through to her and her classmates last year.

"I wanted to nominate Crosley because he is a fun teacher and he always tells jokes, but he still gets the learning and all of the stuff across that he needs to," Ashley said. "He's a rocking teacher!"

To see the teachers' and students' hilarious reactions to winning, visit our YouTube channel, Charles Boyk Law Offices, and click on "Start High School".

# 2014 POUNDING THE PAVEMENT FOR CANCER BEGINS WITH 5k TO BENEFIT VICTORY CENTER



With all of the snow that northwest Ohio has had to endure this winter, many of the employees in our office are excited to get outside and put on their running shoes to participate in the Victory Lap 5k Run/Walk, hosted by The University of Toledo College of Law Student Bar Association. All proceeds of the Saturday, April 9th race will benefit the Victory Center, a non-profit organization that provides support

and education to cancer patients and their families. The race will begin at 9am and free lunches and t-shirts will be provided to all registered racers. The cost to enter the race is \$20 before March 29th and \$25 thereafter and racers can visit <https://sites.google.com/site/victorylap5k/registration> or email [ToledoLawSBA@gmail.com](mailto:ToledoLawSBA@gmail.com) to register. Sponsorship opportunities are also available for businesses looking to support a great cause and get their names out there!

# SAVED FROM UNCLE SAM: TAX RELIEF AVAILABLE WITH BANKRUPTCY

By Fred Boyk



Attorney Fred Boyk

There is an old saying that people complain about taxes but rarely do anything about them.

Instead of hoping that outstanding tax debt goes away, there is something that a qualified bankruptcy attorney can do: eliminate "old" taxes.

Over the years I have had many clients who come to me with large overdue income tax liabilities. They usually say, "I know you cannot

do anything about these old taxes," and are surprised when I state that, to the contrary, I can substantially reduce or possibly eliminate their tax debt.

This is an extremely complex area of law but, in general, if you filed your income taxes over two years ago, that tax debt could be discharged at some point in time in a Chapter 7 bankruptcy. Even the related penalties and interest might be wiped out.

Many people are stressed out over what the federal, state or even city government will do to them. Will you face jail time? Will a lien be placed on every asset you own? Will your bank accounts be cleaned out?

The best way to relieve your anxiety is to get advice from an experienced attorney who understands both bankruptcy and tax law. Simply call 419-241-1395 or fill out the online contact form at [www.charlesboyk-law.com](http://www.charlesboyk-law.com) to be immediately connected with Attorney Fred Boyk for a consultation regarding any tax problems you may have.

## RECIPE:

# Uncle Stu's Sensational Spaghetti Sauce

*Who knew that not using the jarred stuff could be so easy (and delicious!)? This sauce works well over pasta or on pizza and can even be made in the crock pot.*

### INGREDIENTS:

- 1 medium sweet onion
- 1 (8 oz) package portabella mushrooms
- 2-3 cloves of garlic, chopped
- 2 Tablespoons olive oil
- 3 cans diced tomatoes (28oz each)
- 1 (6 oz) can of tomato paste
- 2 Tablespoons Italian seasoning
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 Tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 cup red wine
- ½ teaspoon crushed red pepper

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. In large pot, over medium heat, sauté mushrooms, onions and garlic in olive oil until soft.
2. Add remaining ingredients, adding more wine (or water) as necessary for desired consistency.

3. Over medium/high heat, bring to a boil. Boil two minutes, stirring frequently.

4. Reduce heat to low, cover and stir occasionally for at least 20 minutes.

\*\*If making in a crock pot, stop after Step 2. Instead of boiling, add all ingredients to the crock pot and cook for 5-6 hours on low.



# CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE RAISES \$1,500 TO HELP STOP SEX TRAFFICKING



Vendor Leta Coyle shows off her crafts

The Daughter Project was thrilled that they now have \$1,500 more dollars to help young girls who have been rescued from prostitution and human trafficking, thanks to money raised by Crafting for a Cause.

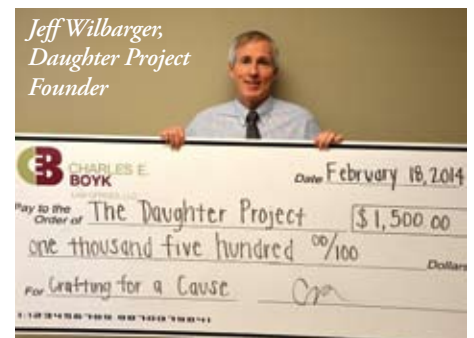
Jeff Wilbarger, the Project's founder, was humbled that so many people would reach out to help the anonymous women who live at the Daughter Project House.

"I cannot thank the Charles Boyk Law Offices family enough for their on-going support of our work at The Daughter Project," Jeff said. "Crafting for a Cause was a wonderfully creative way to raise awareness and money. God does not make prostitutes and He did not create the girls we are helping to be someone's slave. It is a true blessing to have people within our community, like Chuck, who recognize this truth and want to come alongside TDP to help us help girls."

Our office would like to extend heartfelt thanks to the following individuals for all of their hard work in making Crafting for a Cause a success:

- Doris Johnson
- Kelly, the OT Therapist at Lutheran Village at Wolf Creek, and her daughter, Kelly
- Beth, who works as an RN at Lutheran Village at Wolf Creek
- Molly Brown
- Dot Otis
- Kathy Boyk
- Susan Wittman
- Gail Thompson and her friends Pat Polca and Louise Beede for manning the Boyk Law table both days
- Richard Stiff and the always-amazing Maintenance and Security staff of 405 Madison Avenue
- All of the awesome and creative vendors of Crafting for a Cause, a listing of which can be found at [www.craftingforacausetoledo.com](http://www.craftingforacausetoledo.com)

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# CASES OF INTEREST: MARCH 2014

## Police Car Strikes Man Walking On Bridge, Causing Him To Fall 50 Feet To Frozen Swan Creek

A Lucas County sheriff lost control of his patrol car, striking our client with such force that he was thrown from the bridge on which he was walking. The combination of the car hitting his body and his body striking the solid ice below caused our client to suffer multiple life-threatening injuries, including a traumatic brain injury, brain bleed, fractured back and pelvis, collapsed lungs and ruptured spleen, among other injuries that are being discovered daily. Our client was put into a medically-induced coma, remains in the ICU and is facing months in the hospital.

## Passenger Suffers Multiple Injuries After Car Strikes Utility Pole

Our client spent two days at St. Vincent's Medical Center after being transported by EMS to treat injuries caused after the car she was riding in hit a utility pole head-on. Her head struck the side window with such force that the glass cracked, causing her to suffer a severe concussion that has left her with lingering dizziness and migraines. She is also suffering from serious back and ankle pain as a result of the wreck.

## Car Accident Leaves Young Woman Unconscious, Unable To Attend College

A position with a new company and classes at a local college were put on hold after our client suffered a traumatic brain injury from a car accident. A passenger in the car, our client was knocked unconscious and sustained injuries to her neck, back and shoulders, in addition to a hip sprain, cervical sprain and concussion.



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