

The BOYK BULLETIN

Children's Rights Collaborative In Need Of Spring Cleaning Donations, Volunteers To Help Toledo's Kids



across from Westfield Franklin Park Mall in Toledo.

Exchange Program: Allows children to safely transition from one parent to another all while keeping the child away from the drama and animosity that parents can often display during the exchanges. With their 15-minute rule, parents never meet each other and the child has a calm transition.

Supervised Visitation: The parent and child are together in a room but there is always a Visitation Supervisor present and taking notes so that

the parent can fulfil whatever is asked of them by the Courts.

Monitored Visitation: The Parent and Child are together in a room with no Supervisor present. The family is checked on regularly and notes are taken at check-in.

These programs provide:

- *Consistent, worry-free, drama-free transitions for children*
- *An improved quality of parenting and stronger relationships*

"I really appreciate what CRC does for my daughter and I. They provide a safe and fun environment for our visits. The rooms are always clean and stocked with lots of activities to choose from. Also, the staff is always courteous, caring and kind".

– Local mom and CRC client

- *Assurance to the child and non-custodial parent of continuing, regular contact*
- *Reduced hostility and confrontation among family members*
- *Increased child support compliance*
- *A reduction in courtroom time for parents*
- *Accountability to the courts*
- *Caring, trained monitors who are often parents or grandparents*
- *Increased compliance with court orders*

The CRC runs completely off of grants, donations, and volunteers and at the time of this publication, there were 12 families on the waiting list to utilize CRC's services. That is why the CRC is reaching out to all law firms in the area about two opportunities to help kids in northwest Ohio avoid the stress of witnessing their parents argue or the loneliness of not getting to see a parent at all.

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During a divorce or custody issue, children are often stuck in middle of disagreements between parents. One of Toledo's best kept secrets is the Children's Rights Collaborative of Northwest Ohio (CRC), a program founded in 1985 and designed specifically to help children see as much as they can of both parents in instances where parents can't get along during a child exchange or the Courts have ordered that one or more parents be supervised during their visitation. They also help facilitate visitation with grandparents and other extended family members. Majority of families are referred to CRC, a non-religious agency, through Court orders. They work to offer the following services inside the Hope United Methodist Church



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Pack the Easter Seals Truck and Craft Show

Who it benefits: Children's Rights Collaborative of northwest Ohio

When: March 31st – April 2nd

Where: Children's Right Collaborative of Northwest Ohio, 4069 W. Sylvania Ave., Toledo, Ohio 43623 (located inside Hope United Methodist Church)

Why: To collect used and abused clothing, household items, and appliances. For every item collected, Easter Seals will donate money to the CRC. There will also be a Craft Show going on at the same time to replace the items you've donated!

Volunteering

CRC is always looking for people who want to share their time making the visits possible. They ask that volunteers be:

- 20+ years of age
- Willing to participate in four 1-hour training courses
- Able to take notes as learned through training
- Able to sit for 1-3 hours at a time
- Able to climb stairs

The opportunities to volunteer are extremely flexible, there are no required sign-up times, and very rewarding. Available volunteer times are:

Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays - 5pm to 8pm
Sundays – 2:30 to 8pm

For more information on the Children's Rights Collaborative of Northwest Ohio, visit their website at www.crctoledo.com or call them at 419-473-8955.



Employee Spotlight: Nick Battani

When someone is injured on the job, frustration is often one of the first emotions a worker encounters. The feeling of just wanting to get better and get back on the job can be overwhelming, which is why Boyk Law is so grateful to have employees who are efficient and dedicated to helping our clients with their worker's compensation claims. One of those employees is Nicholas Battani, who began working for the firm a few months ago, after graduating from the Paralegal Studies program at Stautzenberger College. Nick is responsible for assisting with the claims by contacting our clients, updating their files, and working on their settlements, and has been well-received as someone who works hard to get the job done.

"Nick's attention to detail and drive to be as efficient as possible is not only appreciated by the worker's compensation department here at the firm, it's also appreciated by our clients," Attorney Chuck Boyk said. "Nick is extremely dependable, a very quick learner, and always willing to take on new projects. We're happy to have him on our team."

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I like to work out, watch sports, and go out with friends.

Tell us about your family.

I have two siblings; an older brother and a younger sister. We are all very close and like to hang out together and have family meals at our mom's house every Sunday.

What album are you listening to right now?

Blurryface by Twenty One Pilots

What's the farthest you've been from home?

Panama City Beach, Florida

Favorite ice cream?

Chocolate

Favorite food?

Pizza

Favorite Pixar movie?

Toy Story

What is your favorite hobby?

Working out



Nick Battani

CASES OF INTEREST: MARCH 2017

Client Suffers Severe Facial Fractures In Accident When Airbags Fail To Deploy After Being Turned Off By Local Car Stereo Store

After losing control of his car on ice and striking a tree, our client's face smashed into the steering wheel of his 2013 Chevy Sonic since no airbags deployed, causing multiple fractures above and below his eyes and also shattering his nose. He was taken by ambulance to a local hospital before being transferred to a trauma hospital where he was admitted and later underwent plastic surgery. Our client reached out to us after the discovery that the airbag sensor was never reconnected when he had new speakers installed by a local car stereo company and we are investigating how that mistake led to his injuries.

Man Loses Wife & Is Seriously Injured After An Early-Morning Car Accident

Our client still struggles to recover while grieving the loss of his wife after an accident took her life and left him with two open foot fractures, a chest wall contusion, injuries to both of his knees and ankle. He is undergoing physical and occupational therapy as he waits to see if surgery will be needed, all while trying to keep the memory of his wife of 17 years alive.

Driver Runs Stop Sign & Strikes Our Client, Leaving Serious Injuries

Our client hit a driver who failed to stop at a stop sign, leaving him with two broken bones in his leg which required multiple surgeries to repair. His right ankle was shattered, he had bleeding on the brain and a concussion, and cracked many of his back teeth. He anticipates needing physical therapy once he can bear weight on his leg as well as extensive dental work.



TPS Proud Student and Teacher of the Month Winners Chosen For Kindness, Drive

The TPS Proud Student and Teacher of the Month contest is a joint effort between Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC and Toledo Public Schools. Each month, one teacher and one student from one of TPS's high schools are awarded with a \$150 Visa gift card. To watch the heart-warming teacher nomination videos or if you are a TPS educator who would like to nominate a student, visit www.TPSProud.com.



Robyn Hage & Alexander Lewandowski

January: Bowsber High School
Student winner: Alexander Lewandowski, Senior
Nominator: Robyn Hage, Music Teacher

"Alexander Lewandowski gives me great hope for the future of our society. What sets Alex apart from other students is his compassion. He

is the first to give a shout out to other students, will sit with someone who is alone, and will stand up for what is right even when pressured not to do so. He volunteers in the local community and often drives students to performances and events who otherwise would not be able to attend due to transportation issues. Alex lives with his grandmother and is often her caretaker as well. It is my honor to nominate Alex as the Student of the Month."



Kyle Smella & Amy Daunbauer

February: Start High School
Student winner: Kyle Smella, Senior
Nominators: School counselor Jennifer Cox and Assistant Principal Amy Daunbauer

"Kyle is an asset to our school community because he always willing to help students and staff. Kyle will go out of his way to help anyone in need. Kyle is an avid reader who is currently applying to several area colleges.

As a student aid in the main office, he is super friendly when greeting visitors & answering phone calls. Kyle has enough credits to leave the school building early, but he enjoys helping out so much, that he has filled the open spots on his schedule with school service. He is trustworthy and dependable & puts a smile on everyone's face even on the more stressful days! Not only would Kyle is incredibly honored to receive this award, I know he would put the prize amount to good use." – Amy Daunbauer



Anaya Bishop, Julie Beale, & Mariah Turner

Winning teacher: Julie Beale
Nominators: Anaya Bishop and Mariah Turner

"I love her class so much. She's such a good teacher. She cares so much about her students. She's one of my favorite teachers because even if you're in a bad mood, she always tries to uplift you and make you feel special, even if you're really hurting

inside. She's the kindest person. She wants to see you achieve and I love that. One thing she taught me is to be yourself. She is so big about being yourself. You have to be yourself. No matter if people are looking at you funny, the clothes you wearing, the shoes you wearing. She'll look you right in the face and be like, 'You need to be yourself. It doesn't matter what other people think. You need to be yourself.'"



Timothy Pettaway & Amirakal Arnold

Winning teacher: Timothy Pettaway
Nominator: Amirakal Arnold

"Mr. Pettaway can relate to us. He's like a father figure to us kids. He keeps us in check. He's taught us to always be grateful for what you have because there are people less fortunate than you. And care about your future if you don't care about anything else."

RECIPE:

Tante's Creamy Dutch Mushroom Soup

INGREDIENTS

- 2 Tablespoons butter
- 1 large, sweet onion, sliced
- 3 stalks celery, sliced
- 2lbs mushrooms, sliced (we like to use 1 lb button and 1lb portabella)
- 1 teaspoon thyme
- 3 Tablespoons flour
- 1 quart chicken broth
- 2 cloves (or ½ teaspoon ground cloves)
- 1 bay leaf
- ½ cup heavy cream

DIRECTIONS

1. Saute onions and celery in the butter until soft. Add mushrooms and thyme, stirring occasionally until mushrooms are soft. Season with salt and pepper.

2. Sprinkle vegetables with flour and stir until they're coated then slowly add stock. Continue to stir until all flour is dissolved.

3. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to a slow simmer. Add bay leaf. Simmer for 20 minutes.

4. Remove bay leaf and using a potato masher or immersion blender, crush mushrooms to give soup the desired texture. (The longer you blend the soup, the smoother it becomes!).

5. Stir in the heavy cream, allow to simmer a few minutes longer, then serve hot.

Hearty, flavorful, and perfect for Springtime, "Tante's" soup pairs well with a salad or can even be served with bread as a meal in its own. Serve this soup to your "Tante" (or "Aunt" in Dutch) and you'll be sure to make her day!





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March's Raving Fan of the Month

"I was worried that I wouldn't be able to get an attorney due to upfront costs but it was great that the attorney fee was a part of the settlement. I didn't have to worry about getting behind since my case settled promptly. You should definitely call Charles Boyk he can help you get through your case and without financial worries."

— *Cassandra H.*



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Boyk Law Employee Josh Nagel Voted Best Cinematographer in Toledo

Congratulations to Josh Nagel for winning the Toledo City Paper's Best of Toledo 2016 for the Videographer/Cinematographer category. Over 5,000 people voted in the annual survey, which seeks to discover the best of the best in over 150 categories in fields like Art, Music, Health & Wellness, Media, Food, and Community.

Josh has created heart-wrenching, documentary-type videos highlighting the adversity our clients have had to overcome along with visual stories of local people in

the community. Always in high demand, Josh has been recruited to film for music videos and shows that appear on cable TV and Netflix. His specialty, however, is telling love stories through engagement and wedding videos filmed locally out of the country and he's won the coveted Best of the Knot.com in 2016 and 2017. Josh's work can be found on our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/user/ceboyk and also on his website, <http://www.joshnagelproductions.com/>. For more information on how to book Josh for your next project or event, call 419-378-4455 or email him at joshnagelproductions@gmail.com.

