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# MAY IS MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH

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“Ohio is close to 500,000 registered motorcycles, which is a big number. If everyone can work together and be aware, we can make the roadways safe for everyone.” – *Mike Stock*

In honor of Motorcycle Awareness Month, we would like to encourage all drivers to be aware of the motorcycles you share the road with. Many motorcyclists on the road are doing their part by taking a rider's-ed program, making sure they are endorsed and insured, and supporting programs for car-driver awareness.

There have been 20 motorcycle fatalities so far in 2012. At this time last year we were only at 8. While we can think that early spring may be part of the problem, the bigger problem is motorists not being aware. Ohio is close to 500,000 registered motorcycles. That is a large number, and if everyone works together we can make the roadways safe for everyone.

*Here are a few tips for motorcycle riders before you hit the road this summer.*

### Do you have good motorcycle insurance?

Be sure to check with your insurance agent and make sure that they can provide coverage for your motorcycle. Sit down and go over your options for your motorcycle. Just because a friend is paying X amount does not mean that is the best coverage for you. Different motorcycle makes, models and years, not to mention your driving record, affect the amount of premiums you will pay.

### Do you have your motorcycle endorsement?

You can go to your local DMV to pick up a copy of the Motorcycle Operator Manual as well as a Digest of Ohio Motor Laws. After studying the information and feeling confident enough with the material, head to a driver's license exam station and take the written test. A rider's course is always a good idea to take as well before hitting the road. A rider's course is not required but highly recommended.

### Check over riding gear before hitting the road.

Make sure there are no cracks in your helmet or protective eyewear. Also be sure that there are no loose strings or straps on your riding jacket and pants as well. Riding gloves and the proper riding boots are always recommended.

### Be sure to ride alert and sober.

If you are riding out on the road, you need to be alert. Things such as branches, pieces of a tire, or just garbage on the road can be dangerous to a motorcycle rider. You wouldn't think so, but these things can cause a rider to become off balance and potentially lose control of their motorcycle.



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# CONGRATULATIONS INTERNS!

The Charles E. Boyk Law Offices staff would like to congratulate our interns on graduating within the year! Thank you for all of your hard work the past couple of months. We wish you nothing but the best in the future!

## Graduating in May 2012:



**Julie Knapp** – *The University of Toledo* – Julie majored in paralegal studies. She will be graduating with a bachelor's degree in Pre Law Paralegal Studies with a minor in Business Administration.



**Ashleigh Ogborn** – *The University of Toledo* – Ashleigh majored in International Business and Marketing with minors in Spanish and Business Law.



**Nicholas Wilkins** – *The University of Toledo* – Nicholas majored in marketing and will be graduating with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration.

We also have two interns that will be completing their Co-ops/internships in May but will graduate in December of 2012.

## Graduating in December 2012:



**Zachary Wickert** – *Bowling Green State University* – Zachary is majoring in visual communications technology and will be graduating with a bachelor's degree in Science in Technology.



**Ramona Fisher** – *Bowling Green State University* – Ramona is majoring in public relations and marketing. She will be graduating with a bachelor's degree in Science in Journalism.

# BOYK'S APRIL TOP 10

- We signed up 39 new cases.
- Our video intern, Zachary Wickert, was honored at the Student Employee Appreciation & Scholarship Reception at Bowling Green State University. He also celebrated his birthday this month.
- As a part of his birthday present, Attorney Michael Bruno got to see his favorite baseball team play at the Mud Hens stadium – The Detroit Tigers vs. The Toledo Mud Hens.
- We launched our “Where’s Chuck?” Facebook contest. Look at our Facebook page to learn more about it!
- We made it safely through April Fools’ without any major mishaps in the office!
- We settled over \$1 million dollars in cases.
- Chuck was in Dallas, Texas for three days to attend The GKIC Dan Kennedy marketing conference. Chuck met with his lawyer/marketing friends from all over the United States and Canada.
- The Mud Hens had their opening day! Guess who was out there to support our hometown team!
- We started the redesign on our website. Check back in a month to see it complete.
- Attorney Nick Dodosh found his new favorite restaurant in Toledo. He visited Nagoya for the first time and said the food was delicious.

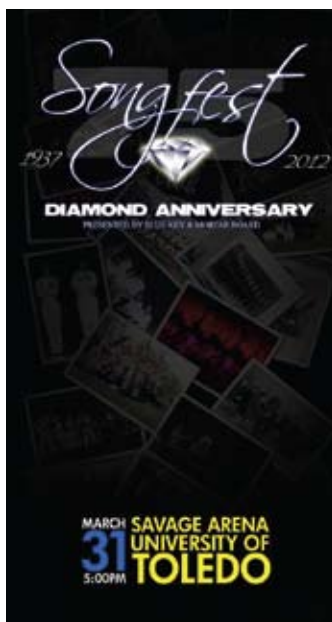
# SUMMER SAFETY TIPS

We have had days of summer-like temperatures and then the next week we had fall/winter temps. The first official day of summer isn't until June, but it is fast approaching and we want to keep you and your family safe. The following are some safety tips for the summer season.

- Be aware of the heat. Pay attention to it and modify your activities appropriately.
- Pay attention to your hydration status, and be sure to drink plenty of fluids.
- Try to stay in relatively cool areas, even when outside. Many public places such as libraries, shopping malls and movie theatres are air conditioned.
- Avoid hot enclosed places, such as cars. Never leave children unattended in a car parked in the sun.
- Use a fan, if available.
- Stay on the lowest floor of your building.
- Eat well-balanced, light and regular meals.
- Wear loose-fitting, lightweight and light-colored clothing.
- Cover windows that receive a significant amount of sun with drapes or shades to help keep your house cool.
- Weather stripping and proper insulation will keep cool air inside your home.
- Cool beverages are good for cooling down the body, while alcoholic drinks can impair the body's ability to regulate its temperature.

# SONGFEST

The Charles E. Boyk Law Offices attended The University of Toledo's 75th annual Songfest on March 31st, 2012. The winner of the prize pack is Brian Yeager!



# GUESS WHO'S TURNING ONE!

Allison, daughter of Cindy & Ian White, is turning one! Cindy has been a legal assistant at the Charles Boyk Law Offices for 10 years.



# RECIPE RICE PANCAKES

Ben Tucker, a Sylvania kindergartner, was among 500 other finalists in the “Uncle Ben’s: Ben’s Beginners” contest for creating an original fruit and rice pancake recipe. The grand prize for the contest was \$10,000 and a \$50,000 makeover for their school’s cafeteria. Unfortunately, Ben did not win the grand prize, but, he had a lot of fun competing!

## INGREDIENTS:

- Cup of cooked white rice
- Two teaspoons of milk
- Two eggs
- A dash of salt
- A handful of fresh fruit



“I really hope I win,” said Ben. “I want to get new tables for my school.”

Ben and his mother, Lisa, modified a few recipes they found on the internet. Check out Ben’s recipe below. Feel free to write us and tell us what you think!

## MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH WORD SEARCH

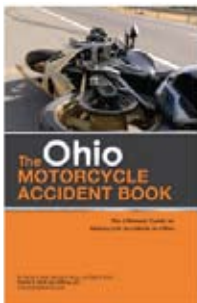


Complete the crossword and either cut it out and mail it in, or scan and e-mail in your answers to [marketing@charlesboyk-law.com](mailto:marketing@charlesboyk-law.com) by May 31st to be entered in a drawing for 4 Mud Hens tickets. (Plus, everyone who participates will receive a FREE Accident Kit!)

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BMW	R	N	M	L	Q	G	Y	F	E	Y	B	U	N	T	G	K	A	Z
Boots	E	W	O	G	T	W	H	E	E	L	S	O	O	X	A	H	I	O
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Wheels																		
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## FREE MOTORCYCLE BOOK

Discover the biggest mistakes bikers make after a motorcycle accident. Order your FREE copy of The Ohio Motorcycle Accident Book, call 800.479.8203, ext. 9000 or visit [OhioMotorcycleAccidentBook.com](http://OhioMotorcycleAccidentBook.com)



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## CASES OF INTEREST: MAY 2012

### DRIVER SLIDES THROUGH INTERSECTION

Our client was on his way home one snowy morning when he stopped westbound at a four-way intersection. He had fully stopped, and then started to drive through the intersection when a truck traveling south failed to stop at the intersection. Our client tried to stop to avoid an accident but was unable to do so, causing our client to hit the passenger side of the truck. Our client suffered injuries to his lower back and neck, which will require surgery.

## 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 [www.charlesboyk-law.com](http://www.charlesboyk-law.com).

### PASSENGER IN VEHICLE SUFFERS SERIOUS INJURIES

Our client was a passenger in a vehicle when the vehicle got t-boned. The other driver failed to stop at the clearly marked stop sign. The force from the crash caused our client to be pushed through the intersection off to the side of the road. Our client suffered a skull fracture, dislocated his left shoulder, had a facial fracture and has had pain in his neck and upper back since the accident.

### INJURED DUE TO DEFENDANT ROLLING THROUGH STOP SIGN

Our client was headed southbound and approaching an intersection when she saw a vehicle headed eastbound that started to roll through the stop sign. Our client, a defensive driver, began to slow down when she realized that the other party was not completely stopping. The other party then accelerated and hit our client on the passenger's side. The accident caused our client to have memory loss, burns on both arms from the air bags deploying, severe headaches, and injury to her neck and upper back.

### HUSBAND & WIFE INJURED WHILE RIDING MOTORCYCLE

Our clients were riding along on their motorcycle on a country road when someone turned in front of them. They didn't have much time to react. The accident caused our clients to be thrown from their motorcycle. They were transported by ambulance to a local hospital. One client suffered an injury to his right wrist which required surgery.



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

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