

# The BOYK BULLETIN

## Wade Kapszukiewicz, Boyk Law's Endorsement for Toledo Mayor

*Wade Kapszukiewicz to work for clean water, clean budgets as Mayor of Toledo*



Wade at home with his son, Will, his daughter, Emma, and his wife, Sarah.

Wade Kapszukiewicz is running for Mayor because he believes Toledo can be better. While good things are happening in some parts of our community, mainly downtown, he knows that Toledo will never reach its full potential until City Hall gets its act together.

The private sector is trying to help turn Toledo around, but we are never going to be the City we all want Toledo to be if city government can't figure out how to fix the streets, fill potholes, ensure our water is clean and affordable, protect our citizens, or balance the budget.

Wade is currently the Lucas County Treasurer, and he is responsible for balancing \$500 million of taxpayer money to the penny. For 12 years, he has had to account for every cent of the county's money at the end of every business day, and outside auditors have given him perfect marks for

his fiscally responsible management of our money.

Parts of Toledo are enjoying a comeback, but City Hall is broken. Based on his record of accomplishment, Wade is the leader who can bring the change to our city government that we so desperately need.

At every stage of Wade's public life, he has been a reformer and innovator. His accomplishments include:

- **Creating a pharmacy card network to help senior citizens and others save money on prescription drugs**
- **Purchasing, as Treasurer, \$18 million in revenue bonds to help build the Huntington Center.**
- **Created the Small Business Linked Deposit Loan program, which has helped 42 small businesses keep or create nearly 400 jobs by helping them secure low-interest loans.**
- **Founding the Lucas County Land Bank, which has brought \$33 million into our community to fight blight. Under his leadership, the Land Bank has become a nationally recognized leader in strengthening neighborhoods by addressing the problems associated with vacant & abandoned buildings.**

"Wade's accomplishments, his reputation as a reformer, his energy and fresh ideas are all badly needed in order to shake up the status quo at City Hall," Chuck Boyk said. "Wade knows that city government needs to adapt and change to the new realities we face. He knows that if we keep doing the same old things, then we're going to keep getting the same old results."

He has a plan to consolidate redundant city and county departments to improve service and free up money that can be used to repair our streets and hire more police officers – 40 new officers a year for each year of his term as Mayor.

Wade believes we need to take to ensure that our drinking water is clean, and he supports the formation of a regional water system to keep our water rates affordable. He has proposed a partnership with the Metroparks to improve our overall system of parks, increase recreational programs for kids, invest in public art, and develop a new 150-acre park on Grassy Island in Maumee Bay to provide Toledoans with long-overdue public access to Lake Erie.

And Wade also isn't afraid to dream big. He believes we should establish the goal of providing Universal pre-K education to all 3- and 4-year-olds in Toledo, regardless of income or background.

He knows this won't be easy. But he is running for Mayor because he wants to do things; he won't be content to sit around and manage Toledo's slow decline.

Wade will try some new things. Some will work. Some won't. But he won't be afraid to roll up his sleeves and get to work. In short, he is just the kind of leader we need as our next Mayor.

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# Bikes For Kids Winners Over Adversity, Help Others In Community

Meet the last few winners of the Boyk Law Bikes for Kids program and find out what they did to earn a new bicycle!



Debra Taylor and Josh Davis at Wersell's Bike & Ski Shop

**Week # 8 Winner: Josh Davis**  
**Nominated by: Debra Taylor**  
**(Josh's mother)**

Debra's nomination: "Josh is a great kid, he strives daily to keep on the right path, and despite life going against us he stands strong. Five years ago he was ejected from a roll-over accident and spent days on life support. He had broken his pelvis in four places among other life-threatening injuries. Josh had to learn to crawl before he could walk again. Three years ago we left domestic violence, had lost everything we owned in a house fire and lived at the YWCA but he still stood proud. This August Josh starts high school and has to walk which is hard on him due to his accident. I'm a single mom and I just can't afford a bike on top of school clothes and supplies for him and his sister. Josh still pushes forward with dreams of being an engineer."



Mitchell and Renee Relford at the WTOL studios

**Week #9 Winner: Mitchell Relford**  
**Nominated by: Renee Relford**  
**(Mitchell's mother)**

Renee's nomination: "My son Mitchell, is a very thoughtful young man who puts others before himself. He helps me around the house without complaint, volunteers with Adaptive Sports to help others with mobility issues play sled hockey. He helps out throughout the season getting sleds out of van, helping get players in sleds, and transferring his love of the game onto those who are willing to learn. He is a teen who gives back to his community and is constantly thinking of ways to help others, and I find this to be an admirable quality in him."



Mark Robinson, Maura McCarty, and WTOL's Amanda Fay

**Week #10 Winner: Maura McCarty**  
**Nominator: Mark Robinson (Founder of R.E.S.T.O.R.E. Fatherhood Initiative)**

Mark's nomination: "Maura Grace McCarty inspires others. She combines modesty, creativity and intelligence within an adolescent. Maura will begin Seventh Grade at Toledo Technology Academy (TTA). Mrs. Huffman, her Math teacher, convinced Maura's parents to apply to TTA following her STAR Math score of 92% nation-wide and sharing her dream of engineering airplanes. Maura studies, draws and assembles devices. Maura practices professionalism and compassion in every task. Maura excels at Karate, running, swimming and bicycling. In addition, she shows great determination to learn golf. She competes in Chess tournaments and F.I.R.S.T. Lego League. Maura cooperates at PSR, Directions, and Vacation Bible School. Maura even overcame her shyness to promote the R.E.S.T.O.R.E. Fatherhood walk in a television interview. Maura shows great love and maturity how she serves others. She helps her mother with physical disabilities remain active through daily supports like cooking, cleaning, and personal hygiene. More importantly, she encourages her mother to exercise. Maura helps her brother with Autism read better and play."

## RECIPE: Greg's Gameday Sheetpan Nachos

*The perfect way to feed a large group of football fans, these sheet pan nachos are a breeze to make and easy to clean-up after!*

### INGREDIENTS

- Cooking spray
- 1 lb ground beef or chicken
- 1 package taco seasoning
- 1 bag tortilla chips
- 1 – 15oz can black beans, drained
- 1 cup frozen or fresh corn
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
- 1 Roma tomato, diced
- ½ cup diced red onion
- 1 jalapeno, thinly sliced
- 1 cup sour cream
- ½ cup chopped, fresh cilantro

### DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 400°F and spray baking sheet with nonstick spray.
2. Prepare ground beef or chicken, season with taco packet.
3. Arrange chips in a single layer on baking sheet. Top with meat, beans, corn, and cheeses.
4. Bake until heated through and cheese melts, 5-7 minutes.
5. Top with tomato, onion, jalapeno, sour cream, and cilantro. Serve immediately and enjoy!



# One Week After Boyk Law Files Lawsuit Against City of Toledo Claiming Pothole Accident Shattered Client's Face, City Votes To Spend \$500,000 To Fix Streets

*Suit claims the City was well aware of pothole but failed to repair or warn motorists*



*Maggie's car after striking a pothole then hitting a guardrail*

creating a hazardous condition on the roadway, but the Division was also made aware of the exact pothole that Maggie struck, yet still failed to do anything about it.

"It's outrageous that one of our local government's top priorities isn't keeping the roads safe and protecting the Toledo citizens from injury-causing potholes in our city," Attorney Chuck Boyk said. "We hope that the lawsuit

A lawsuit was filed by Boyk Law against the City of Toledo on behalf of a woman who was seriously injured after striking a pothole on South Detroit Avenue near Myers Road. The suit was filed in the Lucas County Court of Common Pleas and assigned to the Honorable Judge Linda Jennings. One week later, City Council voted to spend \$500,000 to repair the hazardous roads.

On February 26, 2016, Maggie Vasquez-Cromer was on her way to work at The University of Toledo Medical Center when a gigantic, 5-foot wide, half-foot deep pothole blew out her right front tire, causing her to lose control of her vehicle, uncontrollably pull to the left across three lanes of traffic, and go over the curb on the opposite side of the street before striking a guardrail. She was cited by the

Toledo Police Department for failure to control; a charge that was subsequently dismissed.

Due to injuries caused by the impact of the collision and the airbag deployment, Maggie was hospitalized for three days and underwent multiple surgical repairs of a bilateral jaw fracture and tooth fracture. She also suffered maxillary sinus fractures which could not be repaired since there were so many and since her face was shattered. Maggie still deals with migraine headaches and significant TMJ pain and is under the care of a plastic surgeon.

The suit claims that not only was the City's Division of Streets, Bridges, and Harbors negligent in inspecting, maintaining, and repairing S. Detroit Ave./U.S. Route 24,

sends a very clear message that we cannot afford to have unsafe streets for another winter, sacrificing the safety of the hard-working Toledoans who are just trying to make it to and from their jobs. The City stresses how important it is for payroll taxes to keep flooding in, but in order for people to work and pay taxes, they must be able to make it to their jobs in one piece."

The goal behind every case we take and every client we help is to make sure the same situation never happens to anyone else. Boyk Law works hard to not only protect our clients and be their voice, but we also work to evoke change by reporting on the issues that are meaningful and important so that we can make a difference. Sounds like someone is finally listening.

## CASES OF INTEREST: SEPTEMBER 2017

### Mother T-Bones Driver Who Ran A Stop Sign, Causes Broken Neck, Back, & Ankle

A mom of two missed her children's first days of school after being stuck in the hospital while recovering from serious injuries resulting from a striking a driver who ran a stop sign. After being life-flighted to a trauma hospital, it was discovered that our client had a broken neck which doctors determined needed a surgically implanted halo for months to allow it to heal properly. She has fractures in her lower back, her right ankle is broken, and the accident also caused a severe concussion. She is still hospitalized and faces weeks off work as she works to recover and get back to her family who lives over an hour from the hospital.

### Client Seeks Second Opinion From Boyk Law After Rear-End Car Accident Causes Fractured Pelvis

After her attorney refused to return her phone calls, Boyk Law was able to settle our client's case in less than a month, nearly two years after the accident occurred. She has suffered a fractured pelvis and was hospitalized for three weeks before undergoing three months physical therapy. Since she believed the first attorney wasn't doing any work on her case and never communicated with her, she sought a second opinion from Boyk Law and was pleased that we were able to get the insurance company to come to a resolution so quickly.

### Driver Pulls In Front Of Our Client, Leaves Him With Broken Back

Our client is facing four months off of work after a car accident caused two lumbar fractures in his back. He had to be cut out of the vehicle before being transported by ambulance to a local hospital where an MRI and x-rays revealed the severity of his injuries. He is still having trouble walking and will see a neurologist to treat the concussion caused by the accident.



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## Boyk Law Football Magnets Are Back!

Keep checking your mailboxes for the Boyk Law 2017 Football Schedule Magnet that features the game schedules for University of Toledo, Bowling Green State University, The Ohio State University, and University of Michigan. Need extras? Call us 419-241-1395 or email [community@charlesboyk-law.com](mailto:community@charlesboyk-law.com) and we will them to you, free of charge.



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## Boyk Law Marketing Intern Heads To Ohio State University



It was bittersweet to say goodbye to our awesome intern and Bowser graduate, Kevon Snodgrass, who spent the summer helping out in the Boyk Law Marketing Department. Kevon was an integral part of our Bikes for Kids program and did so well on WTOL NEWS 11's "Your Day" with Amanda Fay. This summer would not have been as successful without her help, grace, and candor. We wish her the best of luck as she begins her studies at OSU this fall, where will be studying Marketing on an academic scholarship. Thank you for all of your help, Kevon!

## Dogs Doing Good

Biscuit, Attorney Leah Michael's bulldog, took over and led a recent staff meeting in our conference room. On the agenda were topics like, "Where does Penny hide her treats?" and "When is the next Bark Box scheduled to be delivered?"

