

# The BOYK BULLETIN

## 3rd Edition of Injured Times Magazine Offers Readers Heartwarming Stories of Strength & Resilience

Overcoming adversity and refusal to give up are common themes in the 3rd edition of Boyk Law's magazine, *Injured Times*, as we use the publication to try to encourage and empower readers who may be facing similar injuries.

The magazine's purpose is also to illustrate how receiving the proper medical treatment and finding the right attorney can mean the difference between successfully resolving the injury claim or being stuck without any means to overcome the injuries.

Through telling the stories of our clients, readers will be able to relate to their situations and hopefully apply the same actions to their own lives.

Here are a few of the people highlighted in the newest issue:

Kim Zacharias, a woman who was struck by a repeat offending drunk driver while she was pushing a stahled ATV on the side of the road.

Even though the accident caused her to lose both of her legs, Kim's faith and perseverance, along with the support of her family, gave her the strength to learn to walk again.

James "Russell" Jenkins, a young man and father who lost his life while trying to save a drowning boy from freezing waters at an apartment complex. The story highlights his ultimate sacrifice, the journey his family had to fight through as they grieved, the national recognition this hero's loved ones received on behalf of Russell, and the legacy he left behind.

Mikey Brown, a hard-working father who fought for five years to get back to work after an ariel accident on the job crushed his leg and hip. The story illustrates how Mikey, with the help of Boyk Law, had to fight to get worker's compensation and recovery from the crane operator to cover his medical bills and compensate him for his lost wages and permanent injuries.



shares with us the struggle of losing his beloved wife and how having help from Boyk Law allowed him to focus on his own recovery.

You will read stories about families who have rallied together to help their injured loved ones recover and the part that Boyk Law played to ensure that the victims were compensated for their medical bills, lost wages, pain and suffering, and emotional distress. It also highlights extraordinary kids around the Glass City who have been featured in our programs Bikes for Kids and TPS Proud.

Our hope is that the magazine will inspire readers to realize that although recently injured people may feel "down and out" right now, proper medical care combined with competent legal guidance can lead to a full recovery from both a physical and economic perspective.

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James "Russell" Jenkins and his son Kameron



Mikey Brown and his son Hoyt



Duane and Diana Shively

Diane Shively, a woman still being grieved by her husband of 17 years, Duane Shively, after she was killed in an auto accident on an icy, rural road. Duane

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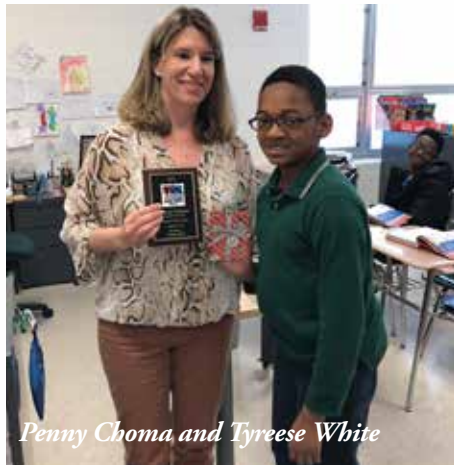
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# TPS Proud Celebrates Winners at McTigue Elementary

*Boyk Law's TPS Proud Student and Teacher of the Month contest awarded students at McTigue Elementary, as part of our program aimed at highlighting the best of Toledo Public Schools. McTigue students created 32 teacher appreciation videos and the kids were adorable as they described on camera how important their teachers are to them.*



*Penny Choma and Tyrese White*

**Winning Teacher: Penny Choma**

**Nominated by: Tyrese White**

**Tyrese's nomination:** "Ms. Choma teaches us about being nice and making friends and I'll always remember that she taught me that even if things are hard, you can still complete them. I hope she'll be a nice teacher for the kids next year, too."

**Prize: \$50 Visa gift card for Tyrese for creating his video, \$150 Visa gift card for Penny Choma for winning Teacher of the Month.**

**Student Winner: Corenia Friend**

**Nominated by: Tiffany Mills**

**Tiffany's nomination:** Corenia strives to be the best student she can be. She does a great job completing her work and being a responsible student. She is not afraid to ask for help nor is she afraid to step in and help others when they need it. She is respectful to those around her and does her best to make the right choices! Corenia is a pleasure to have in class and I know she will do great things in her life!

**Prize: \$150 Visa gift card for Corenia Friend for winning Student of the Month.**



*Tiffany Mills and Corenia Friend*

# Welcome Baby Vincent!

Congratulations to Attorney Mike Bruno and his wife, Renee, on the birth of their second grandchild, Vincent Michael Bruno. Born to Nicholas and Vanessa Bruno on December 28th at 12:20pm, baby Vincent was 7lbs. 10oz and 21 inches long and is already well-loved by his 2-year-old big brother, Christian.



*Renee, Mike, and Vincent Bruno*

## RECIPE: Katie's Classic Stuffed Mushrooms

*Easy to make, full of flavor, and the perfect appetizer for any party, these stuffed mushrooms are a delicious family favorite!*

### INGREDIENTS

- 2 – 8oz packs portabella mushrooms, cleaned and stems removed.
- 6 strips bacon
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1 small yellow onion, finely chopped
- 1 – 8oz block of cream cheese
- 2 cups of shredded parmesan cheese, divided

### DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. In a large skillet, cook bacon until crispy and set aside, draining off all but two tablespoons of bacon grease from the pan.

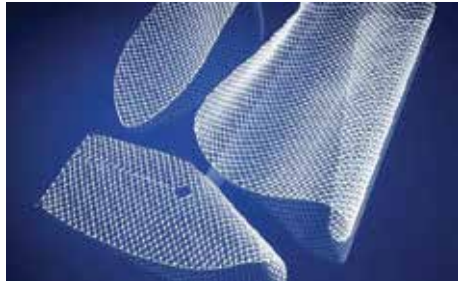
2. In the same pan as the bacon grease, sauté onions and garlic until soft and transparent.

3. In a medium bowl, mix together onion, garlic, cream cheese, and one cup of the parmesan cheese.

4. Fill each mushroom cap with 1-2 Tablespoons of cheese mixture and set on a baking sheet. Sprinkle remaining cup of parmesan cheese on the mushroom caps and bake until melted and browned, 10-15 minutes.



# Surgical Mesh Causing Problems For People All Over U.S. – Are You Eligible For A Lawsuit?



The concept of using a mesh to reinforce weak tissue has been around for decades. Surgeons use mesh to repair hernias, pelvic organ prolapse, and urinary stress incontinence. As the popularity of these surgical procedures grew, so did the development of new mesh products. Currently, there is a wide variety of mesh products. Products can be made of synthetic or biomaterial. They can be light-weight or heavy-weight, and have small pores or large pores. Different mesh products vary in their construction, elasticity, and the degree to which they shrink post-surgery.

But what they all have in common is that

they are a foreign body and likely will cause your body to react. Most of the time, reactions may be minor and tolerable. However, we are seeing an increase in serious reactions in several mesh products. Some reactions include:

- **Fibrosis (thickening and scarring of connective tissue)**
- **Blood clotting**
- **Serious infection**
- **Mesh migration**
- **Erosion**
- **Organ perforation**

The prevalence of these serious reactions and injuries has caught the eye of the FDA. The FDA recognized that complications from mesh products can be painful and life-altering, even after mesh is removed.

In 2016, the FDA reclassified some mesh products as “high risk” and increased regulations based on thousands of reported complications. More than 100,000 surgical mesh lawsuits have been filed against manufactures. It appears that

manufacturers knew about serious risks of using certain mesh products before their devices hit the market, but withheld this information from the public.

To date, manufacturers have collectively paid more than \$2 billion to settle existing mesh claims, and continue to have multi-million dollar verdicts rendered against them.

**Who may have a lawsuit?** Anyone who has had surgical mesh implanted in their body and is now experiencing health problems.

**How do I know if it's the mesh that is causing my problems?** Sometimes it can be hard for doctors to pinpoint what is wrong, which is why it is important to have experts familiar with the mesh litigation review your records with the help of our medical professionals trained to spot problems. To have Boyk Law do this on your behalf, call our office at 419-241-1395 or confidentially provide your information by visiting [www.isitalawsuit.com](http://www.isitalawsuit.com).

## CASES OF INTEREST: FEBRUARY 2018

### Transport Company Fails To Properly Secure Wheelchair When Driving Our Client, Traffic Stop Causes Her To Break Both Ankles

Had the transport company taken the time to ensure that our client's wheelchair was secure in their van, our client would not still be hospitalized with two broken ankles and a broken leg weeks after an accident. She was being transported to an appointment from the nursing home where she lived when the van stopped for traffic, sending her flying in the chair inside. She faces a long recovery once she is discharged and it has caused the otherwise healthy, vibrant woman to become weak and struggle to recuperate.

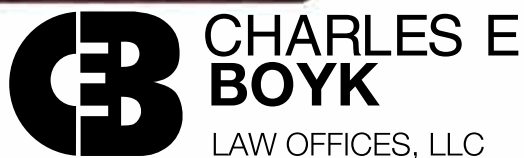
### Uber Ride Ends In Hospitalization For One Young Worker Just Trying To Get Home From His Job

When our client requested an Uber for a ride home from his job working 3rd shift, he never expected that the driver would cause such a bad accident that it would land him in the hospital for two weeks. Multiple fractures in his arm caused the need for an implant of a plate and 10 screws and he also suffered a back fracture that will most likely result in additional surgeries when he is older. He is still under the care of a home health aide and it will be months before he is able to go back to work.

### Police Officer Hit By Truck While On Patrol, Leaves Him With Need For Surgery

Our client was patrolling when a large box truck went left of center, striking him head-on. He was transported by ambulance to a local hospital where it was discovered that he had meniscus tear in his knee that will require surgery to repair. He also suffered a traumatic brain injury and multiple abrasions, and faces months of physical therapy before he can return to work. Boyk Law is helping him with both the auto accident claim and his worker's compensation claim.





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## February's Raving Fan of the Month

“Boyk Law and his team are there when a family needs support the most. It's exceptionally emotional as a parent to have a child with injuries and understanding how to navigate the system. Not only does Boyk Law provide resolution to a terrible situation, but they sincerely care. The support they provide to a family is priceless and helps individuals heal emotionally! When it matters most, you can count on Boyk Law and his team! Forever Grateful!”

– Allison Roller

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## Dogs Doing Good

Welcome Prince, Boyk Law's newest Office Dog! A white Maltese that loves wearing bowties, Prince loves to roam the office when he is not hanging out with his owner and Boyk Law's newest employee, Sarah Sharpe. His other favorite hobby includes stealing his brother's dog toys to make him cry. Prince answers to nicknames like, “Little Dude” and “Butt Munch”. To request Prince's doggie business card, call our office at 419-241-1395, email [agodlewski@charlesboyk-law.com](mailto:agodlewski@charlesboyk-law.com), or tell us via Live Chat on our website, [www.boyklaw.com](http://www.boyklaw.com).

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*Prince*

Height: 1ft. 4in.

Weight: 11 lbs.

Breed: Maltese

Favorite hobby: Stealing my brother's toys and making him cry

Owners: Sharpe Family

Nicknames: Butt Munch & Lil Dude

Birthdate: 4/18/2010

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