

The BOYK BULLETIN

Midstory: Former Boyk Law Intern Launches Non-Profit to Attract Young People to the Toledo Area

MIDSTORY

Boyk Law has a new reason to be proud this summer as one of our former interns has returned home to focus his efforts on making the Toledo area a place where people want to build their lives and careers.

Originally from Taiwan, Sam Chang moved to the United States when he was five years old. Growing up in a low-income household, he overcame many challenges to pursue his opportunities and dreams. When Sam graduated from Sylvania Southview, he was a first-generation college-bound student who received full financial aid to attend Princeton University. Sam graduated from Princeton with a degree in Public and International Affairs and a certificate from the Department of East Asian Studies. After graduation, he managed a non-profit organization in Massachusetts and Connecticut that provided educational services and support to incarcerated people.

During college, Sam interned at Boyk Law, working primarily on producing written pieces and video for our digital platforms, and helping our marketing team on community-based ideas like Bikes for Kids. "Working downtown showed me that a future in Toledo was possible and that more than ever Toledo needs young people to invest their hearts into its development," Sam says. He believes that local businesses should offer more opportunities to college-aged students in the community because these opportunities are crucial for young people to see how they can be part of Toledo's development and growth. Sam's

desire to see improvement at home and his interest in the intersection of culture, media, and policy ultimately led Sam back to Toledo, where he and his co-founders launched Midstory.

Midstory is a 501(c) non-profit organization located right here in Toledo. Its mission is to use this region's creative storytelling to cultivate, retain, and attract young people to the area. Sam and his co-founders hope to build sociocultural infrastructure and spearhead solutions-oriented projects that will provide educational content and research through multimedia platforms. By presenting their content as a public and accessible good, the Midstory thinkhub aims to close the gap between academic research and the community. Ultimately, they hope their content and stories will uplift the region and insert the Toledo area into a positive national conversation.

Midstory runs a college internship program and also offers a ThinkLab for high school students. Through the programming, lucky students from this area and beyond will work to share this region's hidden stories, using multiple storytelling methods and multimedia skills to create content that will cast a positive light on Toledo. The summer programming will culminate in a Gala on August 3, 2019 at the Downton Train Station's event space. There, students will share and celebrate the stories they created this summer with local business and community leaders.

Boyk Law is a proud sponsor of Midstory and we could not be happier to see Sam back in Toledo, working to make the city a bright spot on the map for young people. "Sam was a great intern and an original thinker," says Attorney Chuck Boyk, "Keeping Toledo's greatest asset, the top young



students, is key to the future of our city."

As a young professional who made conscious decisions to remain in Toledo, Attorney Katie Harris agrees, "Over the past twelve years, I've seen downtown Toledo go from a place that emptied by 5:00 p.m. to a place filled with activity every day of the week, with more people living down here than ever before. There's a definite sense that we are on an upswing. Sam and his co-founders recognize the same thing that I do – that Toledo has so much to offer and so many great stories to tell. Seeing their dedication to attracting other young people to this city makes me even prouder to be here, and even more excited to see what the future holds."

Welcome home, Sam! We are so glad our stories crossed, and we can't wait to watch the rest of yours unfold in a way that will make all of us proud to live in Toledo.

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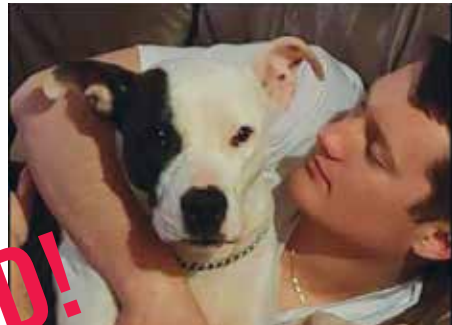
Boyk's Featured Pups: Adoption PUPDATES!

At the beginning of this year our firm was looking for a way to give a little more back and impact our community. We were contacted by the Friends of Lucas County Dogs and right then our decision was made on what we could do to make a difference. Boyk Law decided to get involved by spending some volunteer hours at the shelter. We also decided to sponsor the adoption fee of two of the longest stay Lucas County Shelter dogs every month. In hopes

of this expediting the adoption for these long stay dogs, we began sharing their stories on our social media page and featuring them in our monthly Newsletter with their very own featured column. We love getting these adorable pups the fame and spotlight they deserve.

Happy Tails here we come...since February, our office has helped Nala, Colt, Dutch, Hooch, Blue, and Oreo find their forever families.

Dan the Man is now hanging at Toledo Humane Society looking for his forever home and Toby is the only pup still at Lucas County Canine Care and Control waiting for you!!



We had such an amazing thing happen today for superhero Colt! After waiting nearly 5 months to be adopted, this handsome fella found a home today! What's even cooler is that Colt was one of the dogs that had participated in the Run Toledo runs, and his running partner was talking to his running friends who live outside of Chicago about how he is an amazing running buddy, and today, on Easter Sunday, they drove all the way to Toledo to adopt him! Have fun with your new family Colt!



Dan the Man



Toby



Please check out Lucas County Canine Care and control for your next furry family member because you'll change a homeless animal's whole world. And get a new best friend out of the deal. Seriously, what could be better than that?

To meet these pups, please contact:
Lucas County Canine Care and Control
410 S. Erie St., Toledo OH 43604
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RECIPE: Aunt Lilly's Zucchini-Wrapped Quiche

To celebrate National fresh fruits and vegetables month as well as national dairy month try Aunt Lilly's favorite Turkey Bacon, Spinach, And Cheese Zucchini-Wrapped Quiche.

INGREDIENTS:

for 12 zucchini cups

- nonstick cooking spray
- 2 medium zucchinis
- 6 large eggs
- ½ cup shredded cheddar cheese
- ⅓ cup turkey bacon
- ½ cup spinach, chopped
- ½ cup milk
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste

DIRECTIONS:

- Preheat the oven to 400°F. Grease a 12-cup muffin tin with nonstick spray.
- Trim the ends from the zucchini, then slice lengthwise with a vegetable peeler.
- Line the muffin cups with the zucchini strips on the bottom and sides.
- In a large bowl, whisk together the eggs, cheddar cheese, turkey bacon, spinach, milk, salt, and pepper.
- Divide the egg mixture evenly among the zucchini cups.
- Bake for 18 minutes, until the edges are slightly browned.



Summer Parties Lead To Spike In Drunk Driving Cases

After a long Northwest Ohio winter, our days are finally starting to get warmer and we have more daylight hours to spend outside with our families and friends. Soon we'll be right in the heart of the season for baseball, barbecues, and pool parties. Unfortunately, these increased chances for summer fun mean something else, too – more drunk drivers on our roads. This is especially true around holidays like Memorial Day, the Fourth of July, and Labor Day.

Intoxicated drivers put all of us at risk. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, almost 30 people in the United States die in drunk driving cases every day – one person every 48 minutes in 2017. Think about that for a minute. On average, every hour someone's life is ended because another person got behind the wheel drunk.

Boyk Law has years of experience aggressively pursuing claims against drunk and impaired drivers for our clients. We know the toxicology experts to contact who can speak about blood alcohol level and the effect other substances have on drivers, and we always make sure to include every possible claim. This includes seeking punitive damages that are designed to punish the drivers for maliciously disregarding the well-known risks associated with drunk driving.

During the past few years alone, we have represented numerous clients who were injured by drunk drivers. In one case, a man whose license had already been suspended once in the recent past for drunk driving left a downtown Toledo bar, got behind the wheel of a rental car, and got on I-75 driving the wrong way. Our client was on her way home from work driving northbound on I-75 when she suddenly saw the wrong-way vehicle headed right toward her. They collided head on, leaving our client with serious injuries. By aggressively pursuing the case, we were able to obtain a policy limits offer for our client.

We also obtained a policy limits settlement in a case involving the death of a passenger from a drunk driving accident. As our client and her driver were driving along US 127 in Williams County after dark, they slammed into a car that was stopped in the middle of the road without any lights on. The other car had already been in a one-vehicle accident shortly beforehand, running off the road and striking the guardrail. The stopped car had one empty alcohol bottle and one partially consumed bottle in it and it smelled heavily of alcohol that had spilled on impact. That driver admitted to drinking while she was driving, and ultimately tested with a blood alcohol

level multiple times the legal limit. Our client suffered multiple fractures in collision, along with internal bleeding that tragically caused her death, and we fought hard to secure the policy limits for her family.

In one of our more recent cases, a girl's babysitting job went horribly wrong when the man who had hired her attempted to drive her home while he was under the influence of alcohol. Our client was in the front passenger seat and took the full force of impact when her driver turned left in front of someone. She suffered multiple pelvic fractures and debilitating anxiety as a result of the crash, and we continue to work with her to pursue all possible claims against the driver.

Without question, drunk driving seriously injures and kills people. While we are all thrilled for the start of the summer, it is important to keep in mind that summer fun all too often leads to an increase in the number of drunk drivers out on the road. Be safe out there, and if you or a loved one have been injured by a drunk driver, we hope you contact our office so we can help you as we have helped so many others.

CASES OF INTEREST: JUNE 2019

Patient's Leg Severely Fractured by Black & White Cab Driver

The Toledo Area Paratransit Service (TARPS) provides fare-based door-to-door transportation services for people with disabilities. TARPS represents that its drivers are trained to provide assistance to wheelchair users. However, on April 21, 2019, in response to high ride volume, TARPS sent an untrained cab driver in one of its vans to transport a 33-year-old female – who is paralyzed from the waist down. The results were disastrous. While assisting our client, the driver removed the foot rests from her wheelchair. Our client's foot got caught between the ramp and van door. The driver tried to push and shove our client in the van and used enough force that he broke her leg in four places.

Drunk Driver On Opioids & Other Drugs, Runs Into Oncoming Vehicle

In broad daylight in the early afternoon of March 30, 2019, a drunk driver crossed the centerline on U.S. 20 and struck a 37-year-old Huron County man. Despite his immediate effort to take evasive action, our client was hit head-on. Our client was taken by ambulance from the scene – suffering traumatic brain and neck injuries. The uninjured at-fault driver seemed unconcerned about the accident, instead advising officers he had overdue utility bills. The driver failed an on-site field sobriety test and was arrested for an OVI. Toxicology testing revealed the driver had opioids and other illegal drugs in his system at the time of the accident.

Ambulance With Patient Inside Involved In Accident En Route To Hospital

Three paramedics ended up in the hospital as patients after the ambulance they were in was struck by a commercial truck. The paramedics were en route with a patient to Blanchard Valley Hospital in Findlay when a truck driver failed to yield the right-of-way to the ambulance in an intersection. Our firm is representing one of the injured paramedics, who suffered serious, but non-life-threatening injuries in the course of the accident. Thanks to our client, who used his body to shield the patient during the collision, the patient suffered no injuries in the accident.

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June's Raving Fan of the Month

"Working with Charles Boyk and his team was a very good experience for me. They're good quality people and they do what they say they're going to do. They always return my calls and when I had question that they didn't know right off hand, they would research it and get back to me, never kept me hanging and never let me stew about something. It was an absolute pleasure working with Charles Boyk and Amy and some of the other staff. They are a quality team and I don't think there's a better attorney in Toledo to deal with." - Gary C.

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Monsanto, The Maker Of Roundup, Ordered To Pay More Than \$2 Billion In Cancer Cases



Three trials against Monsanto have resulted in three verdicts against the company for more than \$2.2 billion. Evidence presented at these trials overwhelmingly demonstrated that Monsanto knew that glyphosate, the main chemical in Roundup, was "genotoxic" – meaning the chemical damages genetic information in a cell causing it to mutate, which may lead to cancer. Despite this knowledge, Monsanto

marketed the product to farmers and consumers as completely safe. Internally, however, Monsanto took extraordinary measures to warn and protect their employees from exposure to the carcinogenic chemical. More than 11,000 Roundup lawsuits are currently pending. A federal judge delayed an upcoming trial to allow for confidential settlement negotiations. Some analysts are estimating a global settlement of all claims could top \$5 billion.

Our firm is currently representing claimants in this litigation. If you or a loved one were exposed to Roundup on the job, on the farm, or regularly used the product around the house or while gardening and then later developed leukemia or lymphoma, including non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, you may have a claim. Feel free to contact us for a free case evaluation.