

# THE BOYK BULLETIN

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## TOP THINGS TO DO THIS PUMPKIN SPICE SEASON!

As we slow down from the hustle and bustle of summer and prepare for the winter holidays, we are greeted with the most beautiful time of year in the Northwest Ohio – Fall. The historical temperatures range between mid-60s to mid-50s which means it's perfect weather for outdoor activities before the snow and colder temperatures arrive. We've compiled a list of some of the best activities for you and your families to join in on this year.

**The Sandpiper Fall Color Cruise** will be traveling through the Maumee River all four weekends in October, departing at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Bring your picnic and enjoy a two-hour cruise while experiencing spectacular views and the beauty of the river in all its fall glory.

**Gust Brother's Pumpkin Farm** in Ottawa Lake, MI is a full working farm that provides a real farm experience to all that visit. You'll have the opportunity to enjoy a wholesome and fun family atmosphere. They offer all of your fall decorating and food needs: You-pick pumpkin patch and pre-picked pumpkins, vegetables, you-cut flowers and build-your-own flower bouquet, a wide variety of farm animals to view and even pet, and refreshments including cider and fresh donuts. They're open every day 9am – 7pm now through Thursday, October 31.

**43rd Applebutter Fest** in Grand Rapids, OH takes place on Saturday, October 13 from 7am – 5pm and will feature classic cars, military encampment, reenactors/demonstrators, apple butter making, live music, crafts, food and more. It'll also include a kids' area featuring jugglers, puppeteers, ventriloquists, costumed storytellers, face painters, clowns, balloon animals and more.

**Little Boo at the Toledo Zoo** is the pre-school pirates' and princesses' chance to delight without the fright! On Thursday, October 17 and Friday, October 18 from 10am – 3pm toddlers and preschool

aged children are invited to wear their Halloween costumes to trick or treat throughout the Zoo and enjoy puppet shows, strolling magic, character meet & greets, crafts, and games sized just for them.

**Sauder Village Family Fun Nights** in Archbold, OH is magical after hours! Friday, October 18 and Saturday, October 19 from 6pm – 8pm, take a trolley ride, learn about Native American life, decorate a pumpkin, warm up with some hot cocoa, and enjoy a snack. Guests can also take an evening train ride, make an owl craft, and play pumpkin putt-putt. It's sure to be an evening of fun for the whole family. Space is limited, so register early.

**Pumpkin Path at the Toledo Zoo** is when the Halloween fun really comes alive. There is costumed trick or treating for all ages on Saturday, October 19 and Sunday, October 20 from 10am – 4pm along with games, artistic pumpkin carving demonstration, bounce houses, and magic shows to entertain all the ghosts and goblins!

**OctoBOOfest** on Louisiana Ave in Perrysburg, OH will Transform into The Wizarding World of Harry Potter for the 3rd year in a row on Saturday, October 28. Join Downtown Perrysburg Inc. for another fun OctoBOOfest event, sponsored by Mercy Health and the Perrysburg Convention and Visitors Bureau for Trick or Treat. The event will feature family activities

from area businesses and schools, live performances, Horcrux Scavenger Hunt, Costume Parade Contest and More! All ages welcome from 11am – 3pm.

Now if you're at the age where it's no longer socially acceptable to dress up in costume on October 31st and trick or treat for candy door to door, we have a couple ADULT ONLY options where you can still enjoy the spirit of Halloween.

**10th Annual Adams Street Zombie Crawl** takes place on Saturday, October 19 where the undead of Toledo will gather in revelry and terror! The crawl starts at Adams Street between 11th and 21st. This event is strictly for zombies OVER the age of 21. \$10 Wristbands (cash only) available upon entry. Once you enter you will have access to all 6 bars – Ottawa Tavern, Poco Loco, The Attic, Manhattans Pub & Cheer, Georgiz's and Wesley's. Visit [thezombiecrawl.com](http://thezombiecrawl.com) for the full list of Dos and Donts.

**2nd Annual OctoBEERfest** in Perrysburg, OH. Join in for a fang-tastic night at Hood Park in Downtown Perrysburg for local brews and spirits, live music and a costume contest on Saturday, October 26 from 7:30pm – 11pm. This event is for ages 21 and up ONLY! There will be a heated tent and advance ticket sales. They're expecting this event to sell out so visit Downtown Perrysburg, Inc.'s Facebook page for more details and to buy tickets now.



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# LUCAS COUNTY CANINE CARE & CONTROL'S FIRST "SNOUT & ABOUT" WAS A MASSIVE SUCCESS!

Lucas County Canine Care & Control (LC4) launched a new program that gives dog lovers a chance to take furry friends on day trips. "Snout & About" is a public event that allows people to visit the shelter and pick a dog for a day of activities like walking in the Metroparks and other dog-friendly areas.



"The goal of this is maybe people will fall in love with the dog that they take on a field trip and if not, you're at least giving a shelter dog an amazing day outside of the shelter," said Laura Simmons-Wark, community outreach coordinator for LC4.

On September 3, 83 dogs were able to enjoy the very first Snout & About Toledo. Look at all the fun that was had by all! We are happy to report 14 families fell in love and returned to the shelter excited to adopt their new best friend. For more information on how to become a volunteer or to attend the next Snout & About, follow LC4's Facebook page or contact them directly at (419) 213-2800. Snout & About is free and open to the general public. Collars, leashes, and dog goodie bags will be provided. Photo IDs are required.



## TOLEDO CLINIC BOTOX MISCONDUCT AFFECTS HUNDREDS IN THE TOLEDO AND SURROUNDING AREAS

The Toledo Clinic is a staple in medical care in the Toledo and surrounding areas. However, over the last few years Toledo Clinic has come under fire for dishonest medical treatment and diagnoses, and improper billing.

Recently, investigations have revealed that Toledo Clinic patients who potentially sought treatment for migraines were billed for a full vial of Botox (approximately 200 units) but did not even receive the FDA recommended amount of 155 units of Botox. Further, investigations suggest that the unused portions of Botox would then be reused on other patients or even administered to non-patients for cosmetic reasons.

Amidst these allegations The Toledo Clinic has released the following statement: "Toledo Clinic compliance officers directed an audit of the Botox administered by all Toledo Clinic-employed providers. In that audit, the Toledo Clinic discovered irregularities with the Botox billing practices of Dr. Mamon Maiteh and Dr. James Auberle and determined that it was possible that some number of their patients had received less than the manufacturer recommended dosage of the medication. As a result of its investigation and audit, the Toledo Clinic terminated the employment of Dr. Maiteh and Dr. Auberle, made a full disclosure to the federal government, and began the process of returning the applicable

payments to third-party payors and patients."

The Toledo Clinic has since sent letters advising patients of the potential dosage issue. The number of patients affected by the improper conduct of Toledo Clinic providers is believed to be near a thousand. Our office has been retained by several Toledo Clinic patients who have received Botox treatments and want further answers. We are happy to review potential cases for individuals who have had similar circumstances.

## RECIPE: DRACULA'S GRAVEYARD PUDDING

### INGREDIENTS:

- 2 pkg. (3.9 oz. each) JELL-O Chocolate Flavor Instant Pudding
- 3 cups cold milk
- 1 tub (12 oz.) COOL WHIP Whipped Topping, thawed, divided
- 15 OREO Cookies, crushed (about 1-1/2 cups)
- Assorted decorations: 3 oblong vanilla creme-filled sandwich cookies, decorating gel, 5 candy pumpkins, 10 candy corn pieces

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Beat pudding mixes and milk in large bowl with whisk 2 min. Let stand 5 min. Stir in 3 cups COOL WHIP and half the cookie crumbs. Spread into 13x9-inch dish; sprinkle with remaining crumbs.
2. Refrigerate 1 hour. Meanwhile, decorate sandwich cookies with decorating gel to resemble tombstones.
3. Insert decorated cookies into top of dessert just before serving. Add candies. Drop large spoonfuls of remaining COOL WHIP onto dessert to resemble ghosts.



# Cyberbullying & Mental Health – Social Media Tips for Parents

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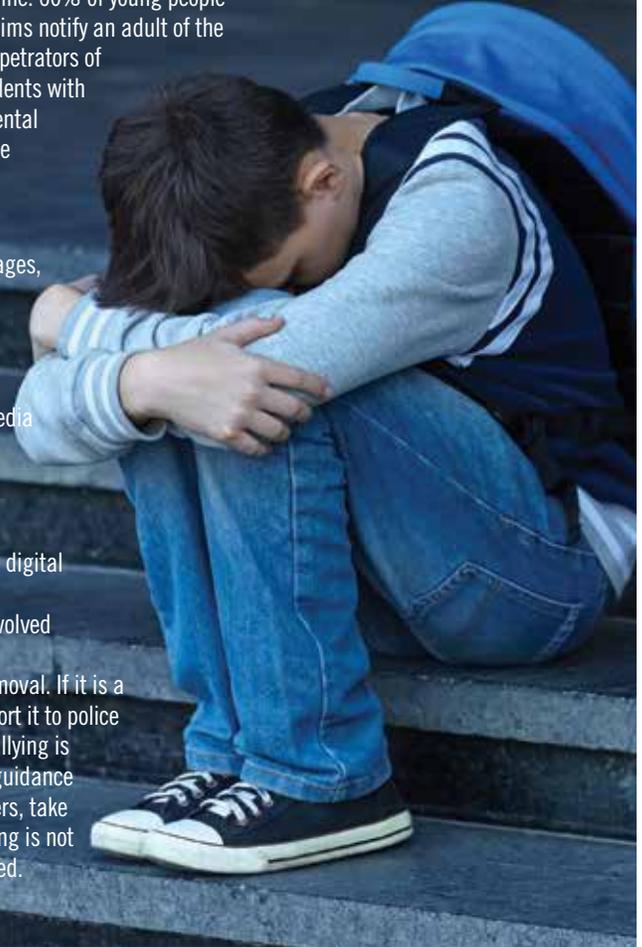
Although social media has benefits – allowing adolescents to make friends, communicate, and express themselves – there are also potential downsides. Research out earlier this year shows that higher levels of social media use are linked with increased depressive symptoms in teens, and cyberbullying can be very harmful. More than a third of young people between the ages of 12 and 17 have been bullied online. 60% of young people have witnessed cyberbullying, yet most do not intervene and only 1 in 10 teen victims notify an adult of the abuse directed at them. Girls are more likely than boys to be both victims and perpetrators of cyberbullying, and rates of online abuse are higher than average for LGBTQ+ students with about half of students experiencing online harassment. In recognition of World Mental Health Day – October 10, 2019 – we wanted to take this opportunity to share some important tips for parents with kids who are active on social media.

## Protecting Mental Health While Using Social Media

- **Communicate** – Talk to your kids about privacy on social media, follow their pages, and regularly discuss how they feel about social media content
- **Set Boundaries** – Limit when and where social media is used, making sure to avoid it while interacting with other people face-to-face, and don't use it at night when it will disrupt sleep
- **Step Away** – Have “detox” periods by scheduling regular breaks from social media
- **Prune** – Remove or hide people whose social media pages inspire negative thoughts or feelings

## How to Handle Cyberbullying

- **Notice It** – Recognizing mood or behavior changes around your child's use of a digital device can provide important clues about cyberbullying
- **Discuss It** – Talk to your children to find out what has happened and who is involved
- **Document It** – Take screenshots of harmful posts or content
- **Report It** – Offensive content can be reported to social media platforms for removal. If it is a classmate, report cyberbullying to the school, and if a crime is threatened, report it to police
- **Stand Against It** – Support the person being bullied by reaching out. If cyberbullying is impacting their life, make sure there is a good support network that includes guidance counselors or mental health professionals. If your child is the one bullying others, take steps to correct the behavior. Overall, create an environment where cyberbullying is not tolerated, and where the people who have been targeted feel safe and supported.



## CASES OF INTEREST: OCTOBER 2019

### Grandmother Mauled By Pit Bull While Walking To Her Grandson's House

Our 89-year-old client was walking to her grandson's home when a pit bull attacked her from behind. The pit bull knocked her over and began mauling her right leg. She was taken by EMS to St. Vincent Hospital, where she stayed for three days. Due to the severity of the wound, the client's skin was not salvageable and there was extensive muscle and nerve damage. Our client sought treatment with trauma services, plastic surgery, and wound care. Boyk Law was able to get the insurance company to come to a quick resolution.

### Nursing Home Neglect Leaves Elderly Patient Foaming At The Mouth Prior To Her Death

Our client's elderly mother was admitted into a nursing home. Upon transfer to the “Long Term” section of the home, the elderly woman's care took a turn for the worse. Our client went to visit her mother and found her unresponsive and foaming at the mouth. The elderly woman was taken to the hospital and died shortly thereafter. Boyk Law is investigating the improper conduct of the nursing home.

### Motorcyclist Sent Airborne After Vehicle Turns In Front Of Him

Our client was riding his motorcycle home from work when a vehicle failed to yield the right of way, turning directly into our client's path of travel. Our client was sent airborne, rolled onto the hood of the other vehicle, and landed in the road. He was admitted to the hospital and had to have emergency surgery to repair his knee, hip, and pelvis. He has had multiple surgeries and will continue to treat with rehabilitation services.





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## October's Raving Fan of the Month

"The team at Boyk Law is beyond outstanding. Chuck, Cynthia, Katie and Corey were awesome the entire time and went above and beyond to make sure everything I needed was addressed and met. They took the time out of their busy schedules to research doctors that could help treat my injuries and give me the best possible outcome. They also stood their ground and made sure that things were resolved in the best possible way for me. I highly recommend everyone at this law firm - in the five years it took to resolve my case I never once had a bad experience with anyone at this firm." - *Christina Matthews*

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## Does Your Fur Baby Love to Dress Up for Halloween?

Halloween isn't just for candy-loving kids and adults who like to win costume contests. It's also for fur-parents who love to dress their fur babies up in the most adorable costumes. Our animals may not love it as much as we do, but it provides entertaining and Instagram-worthy photos that we love to share. Those who have been in our downtown Toledo office in the past two and half years may have had the pleasure of meeting our office mascots, Miss Penny and Dexter. The only thing Penny and Dexter love more than naps and treats is dressing up in different costumes all October long.

We'd love to feature YOUR fur babies! If you have a cat or dog that you're dressing up for Halloween and want to be featured on our social media pages, send a photo of them dressed up to [marketing@charlesboyk-law.com](mailto:marketing@charlesboyk-law.com). The fur baby with the best costume will win a gift card to their favorite pet store. Good luck to all that enter. We can't wait to see your photos!

*\*By submitting your photo you are agreeing to allow Charles Boyk Law Offices to use your original work, including in social media content.*



Dexter



Penny