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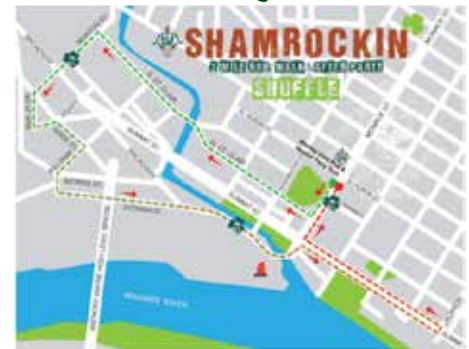
## The Blarney Shamrockin' Shuffle – Boyk Law Team Gets Into St. Patrick's Day Spirit To Help A World Record Attempt

Here at Boyk Law, we love finding ways to do positive things for others. If we can have some fun while we're at it, even better! That's why we are so excited that this year, we have an official Boyk Law team participating in the Blarney Shamrockin' Shuffle Run/Walk here in downtown Toledo on Friday, March 13, starting at 8:00 p.m.

Presented by the Blarney Irish Pub and benefiting the Toledo Firefighters IAFF Local 92 Muscular Dystrophy Foundation, this 3-mile run or walk starts and ends at the Blarney, winding past some of Toledo's best spots including the Toledo Mud Hens' 5/3 Field, the Oliver House and Maumee Bay Brewery, our downtown

riverfront, Imagination Station, and more. This year, the race is going to be bigger than ever with the Blarney going for a Guinness World Record, hoping to earn the top spot for "Largest Kilt Race." Yes, this means that participants – including our very own team members – will be wearing kilts while they run, walk, or shuffle along the race route.

Come check us out – or even better, join us! Our fun-loving team will be sporting new green Boyk Law shirts and, of course, our kilts, while we try to help this great local business break a world record for a good cause, all while having a festive, wonderful time with our coworkers!



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# International Women's Day



International Women's Day takes place annually on March 8 and is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating women's equality. International Women's Day (IWD) has occurred for well over a century, with the first IWD gathering in 1911 supported by over a million people. IWD prides itself on not being specifically for a single country, group, or organization. This year's theme is #EachForEqual, with the IWD website reminding us that an equal world is an enabled world, and encouraging those celebrating IWD to collectively help create a gender equal world by actively choosing to challenge stereotypes, fight bias, broaden perceptions, improve situations and celebrate women's achievements. According to the organization, it is crucial to celebrate women's achievements and increase visibility, while calling out inequality.

## IWD is focusing on six pillars this year:

- *Women & Tech – Championing women forging tech innovation*
- *Women & Sport – Applauding equality for women athletes*
- *Women & Work – Forging inclusive workplaces for women to thrive*

- *Women Entrepreneurs – Supporting women to earn on their own terms*
- *Women's Health – Empowering women through health education*
- *Women Creatives – Increasing visibility for women creatives*

Boyk Law currently employs 21 exceptional women, including two attorneys. We are grateful for the inspiration and dedication they bring to our organization every day as they work to achieve great results for all our clients. We are also excited to be a part of the mission to recognize outstanding women in our community. In honor of International Women's Day 2020, we want to recognize and reward outstanding women in our community.



Do you know a woman who is making strides in technology, a woman entrepreneur impacting others, an educator in the medical field, or a female athletic coach who inspires young athletes? We would love to celebrate them and showcase their achievements. To nominate an amazing woman in your life, submit approximately 250 words highlighting the impact they're having on gender equality in our community to [marketing@charlesboyk-law.com](mailto:marketing@charlesboyk-law.com). Two women will be chosen to have dinner on us. Nominations must be submitted by email to [marketing@charlesboyk-law.com](mailto:marketing@charlesboyk-law.com) with subject line "IWD 2020" by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 2020. Help us celebrate the incredible women of our community as we work toward an equal world.

## Bayer is Facing New Wave of Herbicide Lawsuits From Farmers



Bayer, which acquired herbicide maker Monsanto in 2018, has been actively looking to settle thousands of cancer claims involving its Roundup weed killer, which has been linked to causing Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. Now, the company has come under new pressure regarding another one of its herbicides, "Dicamba."

Dicamba is a highly volatile herbicide that works with Monsanto engineered crops that are designed to resist it. However, when applied, it has a tendency to travel to other farms and destroy crops. It is estimated that Dicamba has already affected more than 3 million acres of non-targeted farmland across the Midwest. In February, a federal court awarded \$265 million in damages to a Missouri farmer who suffered massive losses to his crops.

**Our firm is currently investigating both Roundup cancer claims and Dicamba property/crop damage claims. If you have questions about a potential claim, please call Boyk Law at (419) 241-1395 for a free consultation.**

## RECIPE: Jiggs Dinner

### INGREDIENTS:

- Salt beef or pork - 2 pieces
- Potatoes - 6
- Cabbage - 1
- Turnip - 1 medium
- Carrots - 6
- Onion - 1 medium
- Split yellow peas - 1/2 bag
- Parsnip - 1 or 2
- Pepper - To taste
- Butter - 1 tbsp

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Soak salt beef or salt pork riblets overnight in cold water or boil in large boiler for 1/2 hour, then drain. Add more cold water to lower the amount of salt on the beef, then add 1 medium onion to pot.
2. Pour 1/2 bag of yellow split peas in a pudding bag or cheesecloth and tie the top with a

string. Soak overnight or start cooking peas in your pudding bag/cheesecloth with salt beef or salt pork riblets for about 1 hour, then check to see if split peas are cooked.

(Please note: You can remove the pudding bag/cheesecloth from the pot or leave it in the water and add your vegetables with it).

3. Add cabbage, turnip and carrots to your pot, then boil for another 15 minutes.

4. Add potatoes and parsnip to your pot, then boil for another 15 minutes or until potatoes are fork tender.

5. When the salt beef or salt pork riblets and vegetables are cooked, remove peas pudding bag/cheesecloth from

pot, then cut the string from bag and pour all peas into a bowl. Mash with butter and pepper to taste.

6. Remove all vegetables from pot and put in separate bowls.



# Lucas County Pit Crew

*Special Feature Written By Boyk Law Client Jean Keating*

Having been a dog lover all of my life, it was a dream come true in 2010 when I founded the Lucas County Pit Crew. It was a wonderful experience to join with other dog lovers to provide a safe haven for pit bull terrier type dogs and support the people that loved them. We quickly grew from providing ten to fifteen dogs with foster care into an organization that averages over seventy-five dogs in our care and has over one hundred volunteers. The Lucas County Pit Crew now operates a food bank; has a humane outreach program; provides spay/neuter vouchers, free rabies clinics, and dog safety education; has a reading buddies program; owns a training center that sits on four acres; and recently started a cat adoption program with bringing in over two hundred community cats. We are a transfer partner with Lucas County Canine Care and Control, and we focus on bringing in dogs with medical and behavior needs.

As an all-volunteer organization, I am very proud of the positive difference we are making each and every day in our community. My greatest joy is having worked closely with Representative Barbara

Sears on HB 14. My sweet girl Wendy traveled to the Statehouse and gave “testimony” on the true nature of pit bull type dogs. She has no idea that she changed Ohio’s discriminatory law and has saved the lives of thousands of dogs who just like her have short fur and blocky heads. Wendy inspires me to keep working hard to make our community a wonderful place for dogs and their human families.

Twenty-five years ago, I met Chuck when he helped my family get through a difficult time. One of my children was the victim of a crime and Chuck was supportive over the course of the criminal case and was there for us over the years. I recently was involved in a car accident and Chuck’s assistance and support is once again invaluable.



## CASES OF INTEREST: MARCH 2020

### **Sleeping Passenger Suffers Severe Injuries After Semi-Truck Smashes Into Vehicle**

A young woman was a passenger sleeping in a vehicle that was traveling northbound on State Route 109 at approximately 55 mph. At the same time, a semi-truck that had stopped at the intersection of State Route 109 and State Route 281 failed to yield and pulled into the intersection directly into our client’s path of travel. As our client slept, the vehicle she was traveling in collided head-on with the semi-truck. The crash knocked our client unconscious and caused severe injuries including a concussion, broken bones, severe bruising, and burns from the air bags being deployed. She was taken by ambulance to Henry County Hospital, where she received extensive medical treatment. Our client is currently treating with a neurologist and chiropractor.

### **Injured Worker Undergoes Thumb Amputation After Crushing Injury**

In August 2019, our client was on the job operating a forklift when the material that was being lifted fell backward onto him, crushing his left thumb. He was initially taken to an urgent care clinic. Subsequently, his thumb didn’t heal properly, and he was forced to undergo multiple surgeries. As our client continued experiencing intense pain, his doctors recommended an amputation of his left thumb, which our client underwent in January. Our office was retained and is currently investigating whether a claim for Violation of a Specific Safety Requirement is warranted due to the employer’s failure to provide a proper shield or guard on the forklift.

### **Medical Student Struck By Car, Left Lying Unconscious In Street**

Our client, a young medical student, was crossing the street inside a crosswalk when he was hit by a healthcare worker. After being struck, our client lost consciousness and was left lying in a puddle in the middle of the road. Good Samaritans stayed with our client until paramedics arrived and transported him to the hospital emergency room. Left black and blue from the impact, our client suffered a concussion and was found to have facial fractures as well as a soft tissue injury. As our client recovers, our office continues to investigate the matter.







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## March's Raving Fan of the Month

"When I believed I was on my own, after calling several law offices getting the run around, Mr. Charles E. Boyk contacted me personally, after hours and offered to have his office represent me. I accepted his offer and I am so pleased I did. The team is absolutely amazing, I never feel like I am alone with the Charles E. Boyk Law Office on my side."

*- James Crowther*

\*For a chance to be featured as our Raving Fan and to win a gift card, leave us an online review at Google, our Facebook or AVVO.

**New address or phone number?**

**Help us stay current by letting us know!**

Call Kristen Johnson at (419) 241-1395

or e-mail her at

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## Community Spotlight: Butterflies 15

Boyk Law team members recently had the opportunity to sit down and talk with Tina Robinson, the Founder and Executive Director of Butterflies 15. Butterflies 15 is a local organization whose mission is to help provide aftercare and transform the lives of local survivors rescued from human trafficking.

Human trafficking in Northwest Ohio is an epidemic. With Toledo's proximity to the Canadian border and its access to major transportation routes, it is unfortunately an international hub of human trafficking activity. In fact, of all major cities, metro-Toledo ranks fourth in the nation in youth sex trafficking.

Tina shared real stories of how local girls are preyed upon,



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kidnapped, lured, and/or forced into human trafficking. Survivors of human trafficking come from all walks of life and from all neighborhoods. They are held and silenced with physical brutality and threats of violence against loved ones. Some are sold. Some are moved out state or the country. All of them have been negatively impacted by traumatic experiences.

The job of combating human trafficking is overwhelming not only for law enforcement, but also for organizations like Butterflies 15 that aim to give a solid recovery foundation, offering a chance for these women and girls to transform their lives and achieve their goals. The need for services is greater than the resources they have. If you are interested in learning more about their work or how you can help with volunteer opportunities or by donating basic household items, please visit their website at [www.butterflies15.org](http://www.butterflies15.org) or call Tina at: (419) 480-7800.