Do You Know What To Do If You’ve Been In A Crash?

If you’ve ever been involved in a car crash, you know those moments right after the accident are a blur. It can be hard to remember exactly what to do to best protect yourself legally. Here are our top five key steps to take after an accident:

1. **Stop Immediately:** If it is safe to do so, move your vehicle out of traffic to the side of the road. Turn off the ignition and warn other drivers by turning on your hazard lights. Do not smoke!
2. **Call 911:** Call 911. Collect driver and witness information, accident details, damage to cars, photos, insurance information, and any other pertinent information.
3. **Seek Medical Attention:** If you or anyone involved is injured, seek medical attention immediately. Call 911.
4. **Call an Attorney:** Once you are able, call an attorney to discuss what happens next. They are trained to do so and can help protect your rights.

Just as importantly, here are seven things to NOT do after a crash:

- Admit fault
- Discuss your insurance policy
- Argue or discuss the cause of the accident
- Accept immediate settlement offers (there may be hidden damage to you or your vehicle)
- Give emergency medical assistance unless you are trained to do so
- Assume people are not injured because they are not showing visible injuries
- Move a victim unless they are in danger

Tammy Bronowski: Queen of Hustle

Tammy started with the firm in January 2020 as a paralegal, and she hit the ground running! She is a true team player and is a “Jill” of all trades. Before joining the Boyk family, Tammy worked as a corrections officer, as a realtor, and as a defense paralegal. Tammy finished her degree in Paralegal Studies at The University of Toledo while working full-time and raising her family. She and her husband of 18 years live in Genoa, Ohio with their two daughters and a son. Tammy says she loves all music, from One Direction to Metallica to Post Malone and beyond. Tammy also mentioned that she’s rarely met a homemade chocolate chip cookie she didn’t like. Welcome to the Boyk Family, Tammy!
Meet the Bikes for Kids Winners!

To learn more about each winner, visit us at charlesboyk-law.com/bikes-for-kids.

Worker’s Arm Nearly Severed During Forklift Injury

While on the job, our client jackied up a forklift while attempting to change a tire. The forklift dropped, smashing our client’s left arm and pinning it to the ground. Attempts were made to free our client’s arm, but the forklift continued to fall back down, causing further injury. Once the forklift was successfully lifted, our client was taken to the community hospital. Due to the severity of his injuries, he was transferred via life-flight to another hospital, where he underwent emergency surgery. Our client’s left hand was almost completely severed. Two rods, sixteen screws, and one plate were installed to keep it in place.

Tragedy Strikes During Afternoon Bike Ride

On a sunny afternoon, a wife and husband were riding their bicycles on a bike trail in Warren County, Ohio. As the couple approached a crossroad, they stopped and looked for oncoming traffic. Seeing no vehicles in the area, the husband proceeded across the road first. He heard a crash behind him and turned to see his wife had been run over by an SUV. It was later determined that the driver of the SUV had been stopped on a side street and then made a left turn across the road our clients were crossing on their bicycles. As a result of the accident, the wife suffered fractures to both her legs, requiring extensive surgery and the placement of hardware.

CASES OF INTEREST: AUGUST 2020

NEW:
Boyk Trivia Giveaway!

We love hearing from our friends in the community. In each month’s Boyk Bulletin printed newsletter, we’ll ask a goofy trivia question about us, our firm, or about what we do. If you guess correctly, you’ll be entered into a drawing for a $50 gift card for UberEats or Amazon. We’ll draw the winner on the last Friday of each month. If you don’t win, don’t worry. You can play again next month! Here’s this month’s question:

Katie Braunereruehler, one of our paralegals, has pets that are unusual opposites. Can you guess the unlikely duo?

- Toy Poodle and Maine Coon cat
- Pygmy goat and Flemish Giant rabbit
- Mini horse and Goliath Frog
- Micro pig and Goliath Bird eater Spider

To make your guess, go online charlesboyk-law.com/boyk-trivia/ or call 419-241-1395.

CASE FILE

Mark’s Magic Quiche Florentine

INGREDIENTS:
- 9-inch deep dish pie crust
- 4 cups julienned fresh spinach, chopped
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cayenne
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 4 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups shredded Gruyere

INSTRUCTIONS:
1. Preheat oven to 400ºF with a rack in the center. Place crust in pie plate. Cover bottom with parchment paper and fill with beans or pie weights. Cover rim with rim cover and bake an additional 5 minutes.
2. Bake crust for 10 minutes. Remove beans/pie weights, parchment, and rim cover. Poke holes in crust bottoms with fork and bake an additional 5 minutes.
4. In a medium bowl, beat eggs. Add cream, milk, 1/2 teaspoon salt, nutmeg, cayenne, and black pepper and mix until well-combined.
5. Layer spinach mixture and cheese evenly over bottom of crust.
6. Carefully pour the egg mixture into the crust. Bake until filling is just set and still slightly jiggly but not sloshy in the center, 30-40 minutes. The center will firm up as it cools and pulling the quiche out at this point will prevent it from getting tough.
7. Let cool for at least 10 minutes before serving, preferably longer. Quiche makes great leftovers and can actually be even better the next day!
8. Serve with a mixed greens salad lightly dressed with a lemon vinaigrette.
Maisie Taylor (5)
Alexzander Bartlett (10)
Jacob Smith (3)
Reed Ponton (7)
charlesboyk-law.com/bikes-for-kids.
To learn more about each winner, visit us at (continued from page 1)
Madison Mendoza (9)
Virginia Michael (16)
Eden Tillman (10)

CASES OF INTEREST: AUGUST 2020

Driver Smashed Between Van & Semi-Truck Loses Use of His Legs
As our client was traveling on the interstate in Indiana, he came upon stopped traffic. Although he correctly slowed for the traffic, ahead, our client was rear-ended by a semi-truck that was traveling at approximately 65-70 mph. The force of the collision stuck the two vehicles together, and drove our client’s car forward into the rear of another semi-truck. When first responders arrived on the scene, our client was located behind his driver’s seat, pinned between the seat and the door. It took nearly twenty minutes to extract him from his vehicle. Our client was then rushed to the emergency room, where he was found to have a broken back and a fractured arm. He also suffered a neck and spinal cord injury that paralyzed him, costing him the use of his legs. Due to the severity of his injuries, our client was life-flighted from Indiana to a hospital in Chicago, Illinois. He remains in the hospital and faces a long road to recovery.

Worker’s Arm Nearly Severed During Forklift Injury
While on the job, our client jack-uped a forklift while attempting to change a tire. The forklift dropped, smashing our client’s left arm and pinning it to the ground. Attempts were made to free our client’s arm, but the forklift continued to fall back down, causing further injury. Once the forklift was successfully lifted, our client was taken to the community hospital. Due to the severity of his injuries, he was transferred via life-flight to another hospital, where he underwent emergency surgery. Our client’s left hand was almost completely severed. Two rods, sixteen screws, and one plate were installed to keep it in place. Our office is investigating whether a specific safety requirement was violated.

RECIPE: Mark’s Magic Quiche Florentine

INGREDIENTS:
- 9-inch deep dish pie crust
- 4 cups jacked! fresh spinach, chopped
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 3 eggs
- 1 cup heavy cream
- ½ cup milk
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cayenne
- A few good grinds black pepper
- 1 ½ cups shredded Gruyere

INSTRUCTIONS:
1. Preheat oven to 400°F with a rack in the center. Place crust in pie plate. Cover bottom with parchment paper and fill with beans or pie weights. Cover rim with rim cover/foil. Bake crust for 10 minutes.
2. Remove beans/pie weights, parchment, and rim cover. Poke holes in crust bottom with fork and bake an additional 5 minutes.
4. In a medium bowl, beat eggs. Add cream, milk, ½ teaspoon salt, nutmeg, cayenne, and black pepper and mix until well-combined.
5. Layer spinach mixture and cheese evenly over bottom of crust.
6. Carefully pour the egg mixture into the crust. Bake until filling is just set and still slightly jiggly but not sloshy in the center, 30-40 minutes. The center will firm up as it cools and pulling the quiche out at this point will prevent it from getting tough.
7. Let cool for at least 10 minutes before serving, preferably longer. Quiche makes great leftovers and can actually be even better the next day!
8. Serve with a mixed greens salad lightly dressed with a lemon vinaigrette.

CASE FILE

Meet the Bikes for Kids Winners! (continued from page 1)
To learn more about each winner, visit us at charlesboyk-law.com/bikes-for-kids.

NEW:
Boyk Trivia Giveaway!

We love hearing from our friends in the community. In each month’s Boyk Bulletin printed newsletter, we’ll ask a goofy trivia question about us, our firms, or about what we do. If you guess correctly, you’ll be entered into a drawing for a $50 gift card for UberEats or Amazon. We’ll draw the winner on the last Friday of each month.

If you don’t win, don’t worry. You can play again next month! Here’s this month’s question:

Katie Braunreuther, one of our paralegals, has pets that are unusual opponents. Can you guess the unlikely duo?

Toy Poodle and Maine Coon cat
Pygmy goat and Flemish Giant rabbit
Mini horse and Goliath Frog
Micro pig and Goliath Birdeater Spider
To make your guess, go online to charlesboyk-law.com/boyk-trivia/ or call 419-241-1395.

Katie Braunreuther, one of our paralegals, has pets that are unusual opponents. Can you guess the unlikely duo?

Toy Poodle and Maine Coon cat
Pygmy goat and Flemish Giant rabbit
Mini horse and Goliath Frog
Micro pig and Goliath Birdeater Spider
To make your guess, go online to charlesboyk-law.com/boyk-trivia/ or call 419-241-1395.
Here are our top five key steps to take after an accident:

1. Stop immediately. If it is safe to do so, move your vehicle out of traffic to the side of the road.
2. Turn off the ignition and warn other drivers by turning on your hazard lights. Do not smoke!
3. Collect driver and witness information, accident details, damage to cars, photos, insurance information, and any other pertinent information.
4. Seek medical attention, and call an attorney as soon as possible.
5. Just as importantly, here are seven things NOT to do after a crash:
   - Admit fault
   - Discuss your insurance policy
   - Argue or discuss the cause of the accident
   - Accept out-of-pocket settlements (there may be hidden damage to you or your vehicle)
   - Give emergency medical assistance unless you are trained to do so
   - Assume people are not injured because they seem to be okay
   - Move a victim unless they are in danger

Do You Know What To Do If You’ve Been In A Crash?

If you’ve ever been involved in a car crash, you know those moments right after the incident are a blur. It can be hard to remember exactly what to do to best protect yourself legally.

If you’ve been involved in a car crash:

- Turn on your hazard lights. Do not smoke!
- Admit fault
- Collect driver and witness information, accident details, damage to cars, photos, insurance information, and any other pertinent information.
- Seek medical attention, and call an attorney as soon as possible.
- Move a victim unless they are in danger

Meet the Bikes for Kids Winners!

Our Annual Bikes for Kids giveaway is a tradition very dear to our hearts. Every year, community members, parents, teachers, and friends nominate children in our community who have overcome a challenge or gone the extra mile for others.

From those nominated, our selection committee chooses 6-10 kids to receive free bicycles. Our friend Jill Wersell, of Wersell’s Bike Shop, helps us source the bikes, and she donates a helmet and bike lock to each child. Thank you, Jill!

Bikes for Kids looked a little different this year because of a nationwide bicycle shortage related to COVID-19. To keep things special while we wait for the bikes to come in, we decided to treat each winner to a special experience at The Toledo Zoo.

Special thanks to The Toledo Zoo for being excellent hosts and for helping us ensure the winners and their families felt welcomed. We are also honored this year to be furnishing several of our winners with adaptive bicycles designed specifically for their needs.

These are our Bikes for Kids winners!

To learn more about each winner, visit us at charlesboyk-law.com/bikes-for-kids.

Employee Feature: Tammy Bronowski: Queen of Hustle

Tammy started with the firm in January 2020 as a paralegal, and she hit the ground running! She is a true team player and is a “Jill” of all trades.

Before joining the Boyk family, Tammy worked as a corrections officer, as a realtor, and as a defense paralegal. Tammy finished her degree in Paralegal Studies at The University of Toledo while working fulltime and raising her family. She and her husband of 15 years live in Grafton, Ohio with their two daughters and a son. Tammy says she loves all music, from One Direction to Metallica to Post Malone and beyond. Tammy also mentioned that she’s rarely met a homemade chocolate chip cookie she didn’t like. Welcome to the Boyk Family, Tammy!