

The **BOYK** BULLETIN

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Attorneys Chuck Boyk & Mike Bruno Celebrate 40 Years In Law

It was November 1983, when Chuck Boyk and Mike Bruno received notice that they passed the bar and were licensed to practice law in the State of Ohio. Although they didn't know each other well, their legal careers followed similar paths.

Mike Bruno graduated from Sylvania High School and then Ohio University. Chuck Boyk grew up in West Toledo, graduating from Start High School and got his degree from Bowling Green State University.

Mike was a member of the speech team at Sylvania High, and on the debate team at Ohio U. Chuck Boyk excelled on the debate team at Start High School and in college at Bowling Green.

Mike interned with the Lucas County Prosecutor's Office and then worked as a bailiff in the Common Pleas Court while attending Law School at the University of Toledo at night.

Chuck attended UT Law School as well during the daytime session and interned with the Perrysburg Prosecutor's Office.

Upon graduation, Mike went to work in the Lucas County Prosecutor's Office, where he prosecuted hundreds of cases including two death penalty murder trials.



Chuck Boyk

Chuck Boyk began representing his own clients while sharing office space with local attorneys. He gained invaluable experience. In his early career, Chuck primarily handled criminal defense cases, but he also began assisting personal injury clients and realized how much he could help them.

Mike Bruno left the Lucas County Prosecutor's Office to take a position with the law firm of Doyle, Lewis & Warner, where he represented insurance and railroad companies.

It was twenty years ago when Mike and Chuck met for lunch to discuss working



Mike Bruno

together. Soon afterward, Mike joined Chuck in practice and began serving individual clients instead of corporations. Their personalities and professional skills complemented each other well and created the foundation of a very successful relationship. Through their efforts, Charles Boyk Law Offices have grown to include 11 offices in Ohio and Michigan, serving thousands of satisfied personal injury, worker's compensation, and medical malpractice clients across the region.

The staff of Boyk Law congratulates attorneys Chuck Boyk and Mike Bruno on their 40th anniversary in practice.

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holiday events calendar

TOLEDO, OH

Toledo Craftsman's Guild Winter Festival of Crafts – Dec. 10 - Franciscan Center, Lourdes University

Lights Before Christmas @ Toledo Zoo & Aquarium

Friday, Nov. 17 – Sunday, Dec. 31
Mon. – Thu. open 3-8 p.m.,
Fri. – Sun. open 3-9 p.m.

Tree Lighting Ceremony Fri, Nov. 17 at 6 p.m.
More Information at www.toledozoo.org/lights

Metroparks Toledo Holidays at the Manor House - Dec. 2-10 at Wildwood Preserv
FREE admission open 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Volunteers transform the Manor House at Wildwood Preserve Metropark into a holiday wonderland. metroparkstoledo.com

Imagination Station's Discovery Theater - The Polar Express in 3-D
Dec 9 at 6 p.m., and Dec 10 at 9:30 a.m. More information at imaginationstationtoledo.org

SWANTON, OH

Christmas in Swanton 2023 Parade
10:30 a.m. on December 2.

MAUMEE, OH

Maumee Holiday Light Parade
Sun., Nov. 26, 6-8 p.m.

Toledo Craftsman's Guild Crafts for Christmas
Lucas County Recreation Center
Nov. 25 & 26

PERRYSBURG, OH

Levis Commons Tree Lighting Ceremony
Fri., Nov. 17 at 7 p.m.

BOWLING GREEN, OH

BG Holiday Parade – Sat., Nov. 18 – 10 a.m.

LIMA, OH

Downtown Lima Holiday Festival
Saturday, December 2

FREMONT, OH

Fremont Holiday Parade 2023
Sat., Dec. 2, 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.

VILLAGE OF WEST UNITY

Christmas in the Park Drive Through Light Display – Memorial Park
Nov. 23, 2023 - Jan. 1, 2024, 6 p.m. until 10 p.m.

FINDLAY, OH

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
Nov. 24, Dorney Plaza, Findlay 6 p.m.

Kiwanis Santa's House

November 24 @ 6 – 8 p.m.
St. Andrew's United Methodist Church, 120 W. Sandusky Street

DEFIANCE, OH

Santa's arrival 12/1, Defiance Public Library

Christmas Cruise Thru

Nov. 20 – Dec. 24, Defiance County Fairgrounds, Hicksville, OH, 6 – 9 p.m.

Winter Fireworks Show, Dec 10, Defiance County Fairgrounds

SALINE, MI

Tree Lighting Ceremony
Saturday, December 2, @ 5 p.m.

48th Annual Saline Holiday Parade

Saturday, December 2nd at 6:15 p.m.

Boyk Law Is Helping Young Women in Legal Profession



Members of the Ohio Association for Justice, Women's Caucus want to empower young women to enter the legal profession through their "EMPOWER HER NOW: SUIT UP FOR JUSTICE" campaign. Their Fall 2023 philanthropic initiative aims to help young women acquire the professional attire necessary to excel during job interviews and advance their careers.

The generous office staff at Charles Boyk Law collected and donated suits, blazers, dress shirts, blouses, dress pants, and skirts to help young professionals build an initial wardrobe of professional attire.

The Women's Caucus of the Ohio Association of Justice provides a network of contacts in the state's legal profession to help women in the legal field thrive.

"Our mission is to empower aspiring women in the legal profession by providing them with the professional attire they need to excel during interviews and as they embark on new career opportunities... we understand the unique challenges that women, especially those starting their legal careers, often face," says Susan E. Petersen, Ohio Association for Justice, Women's Caucus Chair



12th Annual Saline Scarecrow Contest Celebrates Michigan Favorites

Borer Family Chiropractic held its 12th Annual Scarecrow Contest in Saline, Michigan. Individuals, businesses, organizations, and clubs designed Scarecrows which were displayed in the downtown business district. The theme for the 2023 contest was "My Michigan Favorite".



The contest is organized by Drs. Rob and Sherri Borer of Borer Family Chiropractic to attract visitors and promote community spirit in Saline. "Many families and businesses have participated since the beginning 12 years ago. Some contestants spend months planning and building their Scarecrows," said Dr. Rob Borer, self-proclaimed, Chief Scarecrow Curator.

This year's collection of Scarecrows began to appear in the Saline business district on October 1st and the public voted online for their favorite from Oct 14 – Oct 25. The winners were announced in individual, group, small business, and large business categories at the community Trunk or Treat event on Oct 26th.

Charles Boyk Law Offices was "Our Favorite Hockey Team". Boyk Law loves hockey, and our Michigan favorite is the Detroit Red Wings. Goaltending is the key to winning the Stanley Cup, so Boyk Law created Scarecrow Goalie Dominik Hay-Sak! Let's Go Red Wings!

A recap of the 12th Annual Scarecrow Contest winners is available at borerchiro.com/blog/blog.html or on Borer Family Chiropractic's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/SalineScarecrowContest.

RECIPE: Gobble Worthy Thanksgiving Gravy



INGREDIENTS:

- 3 tbsp. butter
- 3 tbsp. all-purpose flour
- 1 cup turkey pan drippings
- 2 cup low-sodium chicken broth (or turkey stock)
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 tsp. freshly chopped thyme
- 1 tsp. freshly chopped sage

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Melt the butter in a saucepan over medium heat. Mix in flour with a whisk and cook until golden brown and then slowly mix in the pan drippings.
2. Bring mixture to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer gently until gravy thickens.
3. Add fresh herbs, and slowly mix in 1 cup broth. Increase heat to a simmer. Season to taste with salt and black pepper.
4. After 10 minutes, gradually add more broth if gravy is too thick. Adjust seasoning as necessary.

***Bonus Tip** - If your gravy is too thin, mix cornstarch and water to form a thick paste, then add a little at a time into your gravy until it thickens.*

CASES OF INTEREST: NOVEMBER 2023

Defective Heart Valve Causes Serious Complications

Our client had undergone an aortic valve replacement in 2013. In 2017, she began to experience symptoms and her cardiologist concluded that the valve was leaking. She was then required to undergo open heart surgery for a second time to replace the valve. The surgery was made more complicated due to scar tissue from the first surgery. Our office is pursuing a product liability claim against the heart valve manufacturer.

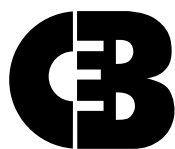
Employee Walking into Work Hit By Car

Our client was walking through his employer's parking lot when he was struck by a car driven by an employee of a different employer at the job site. Following the incident, he was quickly taken to a nearby hospital where he was found to have a fractured pelvis and back. He required emergency surgery to repair his pelvis. Our office is pursuing a workers' compensation claim and a separate negligence claim against the driver.

Ohio Resident Injured in Georgia Accident

Our client was visiting Georgia when he was involved in an automobile accident. Our client properly stopped as traffic came to an abrupt stop. However, the vehicle behind him was unable to stop and rear-ended our client's vehicle. The force of the collision sent our client's vehicle into the one in front of him. Our client suffered a rotator cuff tear and required surgery. Our office is pursuing a negligence claim against the at-fault driver.





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Boyk Law Collects Socks for the Homeless

Sock it to the Homeless – Toledo is asking for donations of new, unused socks to help the area homeless. 419Cares and the Toledo Hemp Center are coordinating the drive to collect and distribute socks to the homeless to help them endure the cold winter months. Charles Boyk Law's Holland office is a collection spot for sock donations. *The socks will be distributed to those in need on Sunday, January 14th.*



November's Raving Fan of the Month

“I was extremely pleased with the results of working with their firm. They were very quick and courteous and always responded to questions or concerns in a timely manner. Helped me to win a case I didn't think I stood a chance with! Would 100% recommend!!”

– Bradley W.

Have a positive review to share? Go to boykreviews.com to tell us about your experience!

New Employee Profile: HAILEY CLERE

Hailey Clere is a new paralegal at Charles Boyk Law's Holland office. She grew up in Oregon, Ohio, and graduated from Clay High School. Hailey is a gifted soccer player and received an athletic scholarship to play for the University of Akron. Unfortunately, an injury limited her playing time, but her scholarship allowed her to earn a degree in Criminal Justice with a minor in Forensic Studies.

She accepted a position as a legal assistant with the employment law firm of Bugbee and Conkle, which represented companies on worker's compensation cases. However, Hailey grew up fascinated by legal dramas, and court proceedings on television. She dreamed of a career helping people navigate the justice system. Hailey accepted a position with Charles Boyk Law as a paralegal. Now she is assisting Attorney Wes Merillat with product liability and



mass tort cases and will also be working on cases representing sexual assault victims.

She and her boyfriend Ben live in Point Place. They were recently joined by a Chocolate Lab puppy, named Bear, who we hope will make an appearance in the office soon. Please join us in welcoming Hailey Clere to the Charles Boyk Law family.

New address or phone number? Help us stay current by letting us know!

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