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OUR VERY SPECIAL THANKSGIVING ISSUE!



With times being so tough for so many people we all need time to reflect on the positive things that are part of our lives. As a firm we are grateful for our clients, former clients and friends for their confidence and trust.



FUN FACTS ABOUT TURKEYS

- Benjamin Franklin lobbied to make the turkey our national bird. Thomas Jefferson opposed him. Franklin then coined the term "Tom" when referring to the male of the species.
- Turkeys can have heart attacks! When the Air Force conducted test runs to break the sound barrier, several turkeys in a nearby field dropped dead.
- Those feathery fowl are faster than you think. They can run up to 20 miles per hour and burst into flight approaching speeds of 50-55 miles per hour.
- The turkey industry employs 20,000-25,000 people in the United States
- It takes 75-80 lbs of feed to raise a 30 pound Tom turkey.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



Please let us know about changes in your mailing and email addresses. If you wish to be removed from our mailing list please let us know by calling 904-384-8808 or emailing your name and address to theteam@sullivanandhepler.com.

WELCOME AND THANK YOU!

We welcome all of our new clients who joined us this past month. Also, thank you to all our friends and past clients who have referred folks who needed our services. It's a huge compliment to us! Sullivan & Hepler is proud to represent working people and their families in the areas of Social Security disability, workers' compensation, personal injury, and criminal defense.

THE LATEST DISABILITY PROPAGANDA

According to recent news articles, the Social Security disability program is projected to run out of money in 2017 or 2018. The number of applications has skyrocketed in the last few years, and the program pays out more money than it's taking in via Social Security taxes.

If you've applied for disability, you know what a bureaucratic nightmare the process can be. I can think of 100 ways the program could save money. But I get really upset when I read articles that say that "weak eligibility standards" are to blame for the financial crisis. It's easy to point fingers at other people and make assumptions that they don't deserve the benefits, but the truth is that it's very difficult to qualify for disability.

A number of different factors determine whether you're eligible. It's incredibly complicated, and each case is different. We advise hiring an attorney who can help you "cut through the red tape" and present your best case. We don't get paid unless we win, so we don't take a case unless we think it meets the strict criteria for disability.

Congress should be able to find many ways to save money in the program, but making it harder for deserving people to get benefits should not be one of them.



Don't forget about our Facebook Contest that is still going!

Once we reach 400 "Likes" on our Facebook page, we will celebrate by raffling off TWO Universal Studios Preferred Annual Passes. We are so close, to date we only need 55 more likes! To be eligible you must "Like" Sullivan & Hepler, Attorneys at Law on Facebook, be a Florida resident and not be a present or former employee of Sullivan & Hepler or a relative by blood or marriage.



SPOTLIGHT ON SMALL BUSINESS: **THOMAS MARKETING CONSULTING**

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Meet Jessica Thomas: a modern marketing specialist, a Jacksonville native, a mom to two spoiled pups, an avid runner, world traveler, conversationalist, and owner of Thomas Marketing Consulting.

A graduate of the University of Florida (Go GATORS!), Jessica earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Advertising. During college, she trained in New York City and Paris, France, working on campaigns for Best Buy, Nikon, and Capital One. Upon her return to Jacksonville, Jessica was the Director of Client Relations at Advantage: The Resource for Small Business magazine.

Through extensive research and implementation, Jessica quickly became an expert in social media marketing and began TMC to assist local organizations in the creation and implementation of their own modern marketing strategies. Jessica now consults with clients such as Doctors Express, Prime Realty, Jerry Hamm Chevrolet, Old School Barber Shop, Ruth Ann Hepler for County Court Judge, Exotic Bird Hospital, DeLuxe Cleaners and of course Sullivan & Hepler.

Jessica made some super additions to our Facebook page. Check them out when you get a chance. Mike has given her the title of our Social Media Marketing Diva!

For more information on Thomas Marketing Consulting you can visit their website at www.ThomasMarketingUSA.com. Jessica can be reached at 904.651.7976, or Jessica@ThomasMarketingUSA.com.

RUTH ANN'S TALES FROM THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL

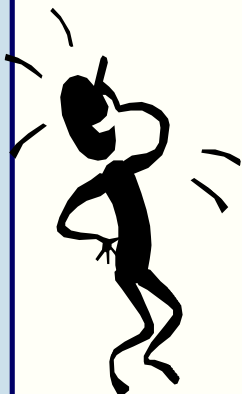
I've been so busy on the campaign trail for the past few months! Bruce Floyd at Mary Fisher Design came up with the fabulous logo you see below, and my friend Jerry Varon at www.Circlescapes.com created my website, www.HeplerforJudge.com. Jessica Thomas at Thomas Marketing Consulting has been helping me become a social media guru. If you want to know more about my experience and qualifications, you can read all about it on my website. Also, follow me on Twitter @HeplerforJudge, and come by to "Like" my Facebook page, Ruth Ann Hepler for County Court Judge 2012. I'd really appreciate it!

If you have any ideas for the campaign, I'd love to hear them. And of course, I can always use volunteers, so if you'd like to help, just let me know. Meanwhile, please help me spread the word by telling your friends and family that I'm running for County Court Judge in 2012!



Political advertisement paid for and approved by Ruth Ann Hepler for County Court Judge, Group 12

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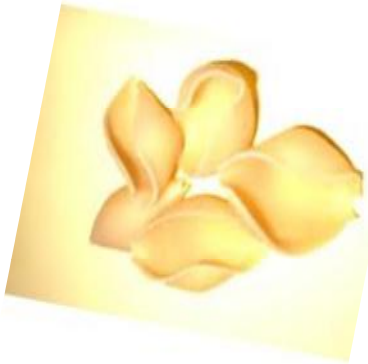
Lorenzo Dow, an evangelist of the last century, was on a preaching tour when he came to a small town one cold winter's night.

He entered the local general store to get some warmth, and saw the town's lawyers gathered around the pot-bellied stove, discussing the town's business. Not one offered to allow Dow into the circle.

Dow told the men who he was, and that he had recently had a vision where he had been given a tour of Hell, much like the traveler in Dante's Inferno.

When one of the lawyers asked him what he had seen, he replied, "Very much what I see here: All of the lawyers, gathered in the hottest place."

Cook shells according to the package directions for stuffed shells al dente. Allow shells to cool and stuff with ricotta mixture. Place stuffed shells side by side in a 9x13 pan. Spread tomato sauce over the shells, sprinkle grated cheese on top of the sauce. Cover the pan with foil and bake in a 350 degree oven for 35 minutes or until hot and bubbly. Enjoy! *Mike*



- 1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese
- 4-6 cups of your favorite store bought or homemade tomato sauce
- 1 box of large shells (I like to use the Barilla brand)
- Mix all of the above ingredients together
- Salt & pepper to taste
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup of chopped fresh basil
- 1/2 cup of chopped, fresh parsley
- 1 1/2 cups of whole milk mozzarella cheese, cut into very small cubes
- 1- 16oz container of whole milk ricotta cheese

This is a dish my grandmother would make at Thanksgiving. It has always been one of my favorite dishes at the holidays.

GRANDMA DORIS' STUFFED SHELLS

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Here comes... *The Scoop!*