

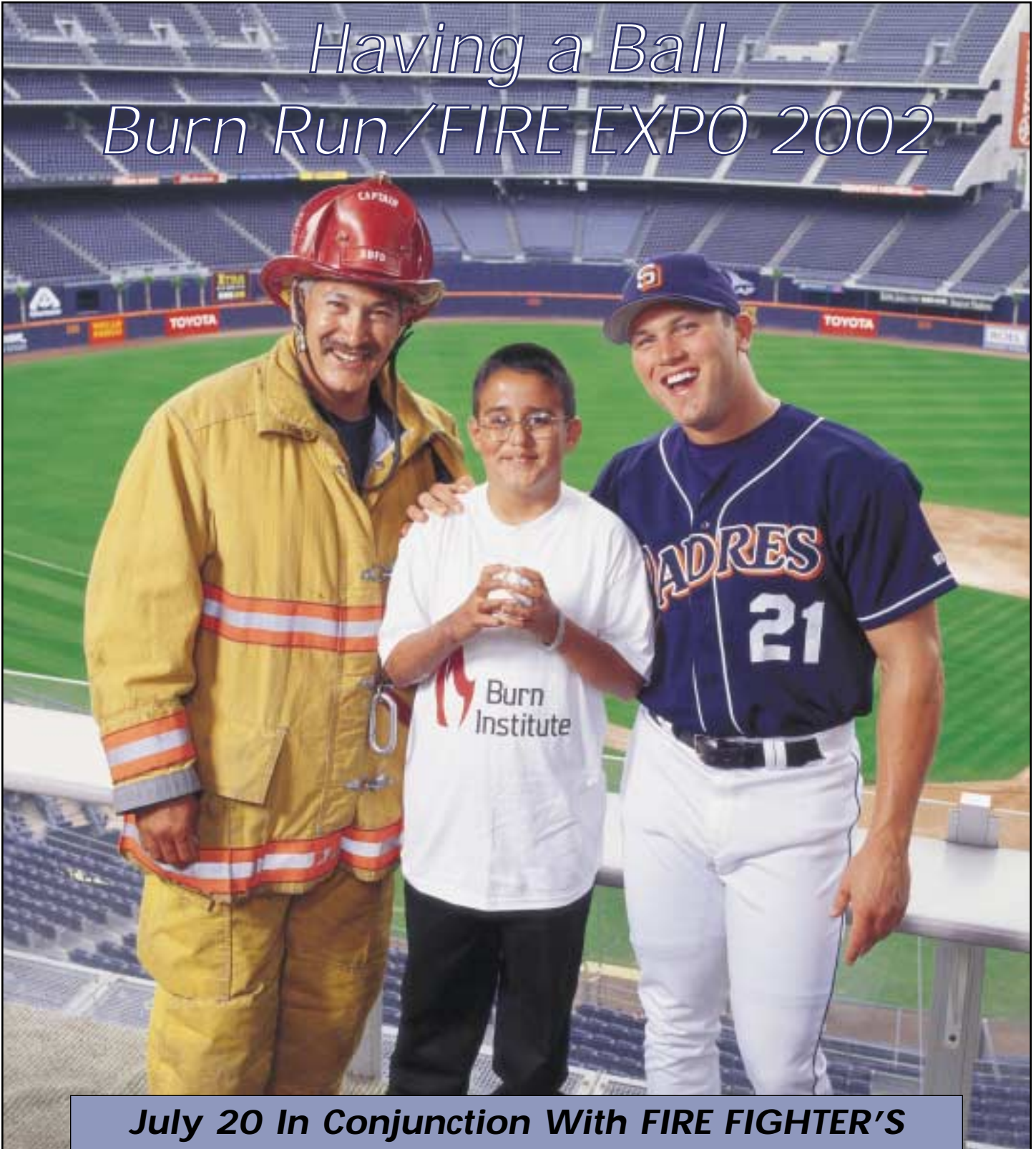


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Having a Ball *Burn Run/FIRE EXPO 2002*



**July 20 In Conjunction With FIRE FIGHTER'S
NIGHT AT THE PADRES . . . See Page 2**

Having A Ball At FIRE EXPO

Cover Story

Create some special family memories this summer at Burn Run/FIRE EXPO on Saturday, July 20 at Qualcomm Stadium:

Burn Run

Burn Run begins at 8 a.m., with a caravan of fire trucks and other fire apparatus traveling throughout San Diego and Imperial counties. The caravan makes stops throughout the morning at various fire stations for check presentations to the Burn Institute. At 2 p.m., the rigs will converge at section "J" of Qualcomm Stadium for the event's arrival ceremonies.

FIRE EXPO

FIRE EXPO is a family-oriented event to heighten public awareness of modern emergency services. The event is held from 1-7 p.m. in the far southwest corner of the parking lot at Qualcomm Stadium. The event features fire engine rides, helicopter fly-overs, live firefighting demonstrations, emergency vehicle tours, a "Kiddy Karnival," puppet shows, an education pavilion, fire and burn prevention, live music, food, beverages, and appearances by fire service characters and other local celebrities.

On the Cover... (left to right) Event Chair Captain Mike Nuanes from San Diego Fire and Life Safety Services, Honorary Chair Eleven-year-old Jacob Castillo and Padres Infielder Sean Burroughs.

Fire Fighters Night At The Padres

At 7:05 p.m., the Padres host the Arizona Diamondbacks with special pre-game ceremonies honoring the fire service. Firefighters from throughout the area will line the first and third base paths while a firefighter sings the national anthem.

Burn Run/FIRE EXPO 2002 is sponsored by the San Diego-Imperial County Fire Fighters Advisory Council to the Burn Institute. To purchase t-shirts, game tickets, to volunteer, or for more information, call the Burn Institute at (858) 541-2277.



Burn Run/FIRE EXPO 2002 Co-Chairs

(Standing - Back row left to right) David Acosta, Chula Vista Fire Department; Kevin Easley, San Diego Fire & Life Safety Services; John Jerome, Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District; Jim Cranfield, San Diego Fire & Life Safety Services; Trevor Flores, Chula Vista Fire Department; Jeff Larson, San Diego Fire & Life Safety Services; Dale Stewart, Oceanside Fire Department; (Seated - Front row left to right) Chris Webber, San Diego Fire & Life Safety Services; Tom Piranio, Poway Fire Department; Ken Derr, Camp Pendleton Fire Department; (Seated - Second row left to right) Ron Hollander, Federal Fire Department; Tim Kanaski, Federal Fire Department; Robert Allen, San Diego Fire & Life Safety Services; (Seated - Third row left to right) Tim Dibsie, Santee Fire Department; Matt Blackburn, Miramar Fire Department. Not Pictured: Mitch Sanders, Federal Fire Department, Jeff Giordano, San Diego Fire & Life Safety Services; David Conley, NAF El Centro; Pat O'Neil, Del Mar Fire Department; Bob Scott, La Mesa Fire Department; Joel Aplin, El Cajon Fire Department; Jeff Chumbly, Poway Fire Department.

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SUMMER SAFETY

As Plain As Black & White



CAMP FIRES

When building a campfire always use a designated fire pit. Before you leave your campsite, make sure the fire is properly extinguished. Douse and stir the fire with water. Never leave a fire unattended. Adults should always supervise children around camp fires.



FIREWORKS

In an effort to reduce the potential for a burn injury, the Burn Institute urges San Diego County residents to celebrate the Fourth of July by attending only "licensed" fireworks shows. Possession of all fireworks, including sparklers, are not only dangerous but illegal in San Diego County.



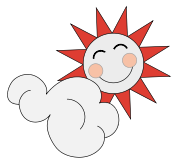
SUMMER COOKING

When cooking outdoors, always keep children away from the barbecue. Hot coals should always be disposed of in designated fire receptacles. Buried coals retain intense heat for up to 24 hours and may cause a serious burn injury to an unsuspecting passerby who steps on them.



FIRST AID FOR BURNS

The worst kind of burn is the one you could have prevented. If your clothes catch on fire, Stop, Drop and Roll. Always cool a burn area with cool water. Never use ice, butter, Vaseline or other ointments. For serious burns, seek immediate emergency treatment.



ULTRAVIOLET RAYS

To avoid a serious sunburn and the harmful effects of ultraviolet rays, always apply a sunscreen of 25 SPF or greater when going outdoors. Serious sunburns can occur even when it is cloudy. Wear dark sunglasses to protect your eyes, and wear a broad rimmed hat to protect your head and neck.



WILDFIRE

Current dry conditions and hot temperatures can pose a serious Wildfire threat to county residents. Supervise your children at all times to keep them from getting into mischief. Keep lighters and matches away from children and do not let children play in canyons. To learn how to safeguard your home against Wildfire call the Burn Institute for a complimentary Homeowners Wildfire Guide.

Adult Retreat 2002

"The Next Step"

Recently, twenty-eight adult burn survivors gathered in Julian at Camp Cedar Glen for the 6th Annual Retreat for Adult Burn Survivors.

One of many burn survivor support programs offered by the Burn Institute, this three-day retreat helps bring adult burn survivors together for a time of emotional healing.

The weekend included group sessions and many fun activities including: morning coffee chats, craft sessions and movie matinees. Participants learned ways to overcome their unique challenges.

At the end of the retreat, everyone left with a renewed sense of self esteem along with many special memories. After meeting other adult burn survivors, many of the retreat participants left with a sense of understanding that they are not alone in their challenges, and that there is a network of friends at their fingertips.

A very special thank you to guest speakers and volunteers Oscar Knight, Piper Knight, Martin Aguilera and Jolee Garcia, and to the Change A Life Foundation for sponsoring this special retreat.



(Left to right) Ruben and Regenda



Juvenile Firesetting kills an estimated 1,000 children each year.

"Community Advisory" **Juvenile Firesetting Remains Problematic**

On June 20, 2002, three boys (ages 10, 10 & 11) were hospitalized with serious burn injuries after playing with lighters in their backyard.

On the heels of this Juvenile Firesetting incident, the Burn Institute would like to remind parents of the importance of always supervising your children and keeping lighters and matches locked away.

"Each year in the United States, juvenile firesetting causes more than 1 billion dollars in property damage, and kills more than 1,000 children," said James Floros, Burn Institute executive director. "Juvenile Firesetting has been identified as the fastest growing fire threat in the U.S.," added Floros.

TIPS TO PREVENT JUVENILE FIRESETTING

- Parents need to always supervise their children.
- Keep matches and lighters locked away and out of reach from children.
- Teach children about the serious consequences of playing with fire.

For more information on Juvenile Firesetting, call the Burn Institute at (858) 541-2277.

18 Heroes Honored At The 29th Annual Spirit of Courage Awards Banquet

On May 16, 2002, more than 500 guests attended the Burn Institute's Spirit of Courage Awards Banquet.

Held at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina, the 29th annual event featured a special "Tribute To The Fire Service." As part of the tribute, the Burn Institute hosted 65 members of the local Urban Search and Rescue Team who traveled to New York City after our nation's tragedy last September.

Each year, the Burn Institute pays tribute to individuals in our community who have risked their own lives in an effort to save another from burn injury or death. The Spirit of Courage Award honors these selfless people for their heroism.

In addition to presenting 18 Spirit of Courage Awards, the Burn Institute also presented



(Left to right) San Diego Police Chief David Bejarano and Burn Institute Executive Director James Floros.



(Left to right) Pamela R. Kelly Volunteer of the Year Captain Daryn Drum and Denise Bisdorf.

San Miguel Fire Captain Daryn Drum with the Pamela R. Kelly Volunteer of the Year Award, and honored the San Diego County Fire Chiefs' Association for their dedicated support.

The Burn Institute would like to extend a very special thank you to KNSD-TV News Anchor Marty Levin for serving as the evening's emcee and co-presenter of the awards. In addition, a heartfelt thank you goes out to San Diego City Fire Fighters Local 145 for once again serving as the title sponsor of this special event.

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2002 Spirit of Courage



William Cuddy



Michael Farrell



Daniel Tyler



Devin Whitney

Nominated by: San Diego Police Department



Chris Carpenter



Shane Kitchens

Nominated by: Burn Institute



Erroll McCrea



Edward Murphy

Nominated by: San Diego Police Department



Michael Holtel

*Nominated by:
Vista Fire Department*



David Hale

*Nominated by:
San Diego County
Sheriff's Department*



Virgil Smith

*Nominated by:
Oceanside Fire Department*



Todd Bechtel

*Nominated by:
San Diego Fire & Life
Safety Services*

Award Recipients



W.T. McFarland

*Nominated by:
Lakeside Fire Protection District*



Martha Arvizu

Nominated by: United States Border Patrol



John Ramos

Nominated by: United States Border Patrol



Gregg Maudlin

*Nominated by:
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Richard Swanson

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Wayne Mullin

Special Thank You

Carlsbad Fire Department Color Guard
San Diego Firefighters Emerald Society
Chula Vista Firefighter Jeff Ewert
Rabbi Aaron Gottesman

Fire Ball

Third Time Is A Charm

More than 150 people attended the Burn Institute's Third Annual Fire Ball on Saturday, April 20.

Held at the Old Eucalyptus Schoolhouse in El Centro, the evening began with a no-host reception and silent auction, followed by dinner and the evening's program, which featured a "Tribute To The Fire Service." The tribute honored various fire department personnel from throughout the Imperial Valley. Award recipients included: Alberto Cosio, Brawley Fire Dept.; Alex Silva, Centinela State Prison Fire Dept.; Scott Casillas & Crispin Nunez, El Centro Fire Dept.; Eddie Garcia & Paco Perez, Holtville Fire Dept.; Tony Rouhotas, Imperial County Fire Dept.; Christine Summers, Yuma Marine Corps Air Station; and Dustin Armitage from NAF El Centro.

In addition to honoring members of the fire service for Exceptional Service, Norma Sierra Galindo, of the Burn Institute Imperial Valley Advisory Board, received the Burn Institute's Distinguished Service Award.



Burn Institute Imperial Valley Advisory Board President and Burn Institute Board Member Victor Jaime (right) presents Norma Sierra Galindo with the Burn Institute's Distinguished Service Award.

Special thanks to Fire Ball Chair Christine Oczkowski and her committee members: Andrea Barela, Captain David Conley, Lisa Gudino, Shannon Johnston, Tina Ledyard and Celia Oczkowski. A very special thank you to Rod Smart for serving as Master of Ceremonies and to supporting sponsors Rogers & Rogers Nissan & Toyota.

Fire Ball raised nearly \$10,000 for the important work of the Burn Institute - Imperial Valley.

SITE So-Cal Donates \$19,400 to the Burn Institute



In December, the Burn Institute was one of three charities to receive \$19,400 from the Southern California Chapter of The Society of Incentive & Travel Executives

(SITE So-Cal) Annual Holiday Luncheon. "The event surpassed all of our projections," said Rich Wise (Wise Incentives), event chair. "The outpouring of support by our industry was overwhelming.

Held at Paradise Point Resort & Spa on San Diego's Mission Bay, more than 270 incentive travel industry professionals helped make this the most successful year on record.

Rich Wise (right) presents a check for \$19,400 to Burn Institute Executive Director James Floros.



Your Donations Make A Difference

The Burn Institute is supported entirely by donations from people like you, local companies, foundations, community groups, service clubs and organizations. Here are some examples of how your support impacts our community:

- \$50 provides 5 senior citizens with lifesaving smoke detectors in their homes.
- \$450 sends one burn-injured child to Summer Camp Beyond the Scars.
- \$275 provides two Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Sessions.
- \$350 will educate 200 third graders about “Stop, Drop and Roll” along with other important prevention topics.

We wish to thank the following individual donors, companies and organizations for their outstanding support and generosity

(List reflects donations of \$250 & up from February 1, 2002 to June 1, 2002)

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A Monumental Makeover www.burninstitute.org

As a leading community resource for fire and burn prevention and burn survivor support, the Burn Institute is always seeking ways to improve its outreach to the community.

On June 25, the Burn Institute proudly unveiled phase one of its “new & improved” website.

A special thank you to San Diego County Supervisor Ron Roberts for providing a grant to help fund this project.

The website, creatively designed by Kramer Design, is structured to make learning about Burn Institute programs and services easier than ever. Detailed information



“The New website is a great resource to help safeguard your family and more,” said James Floros, executive director of the Burn Institute.

on all Burn Institute programs and services, special events and opportunities to donate on line are now just a click of the mouse away.

Visitors to the site can now access the Burn Institute Newsletter, the Burn Institute Volunteer Newsletter and the Burn Institute’s latest Biennial Report.

Other website features include a detailed calendar of events and an updated news section.

Phase two will include a special on-line giving section, an interactive “Just For Kids” section and an online Burn Institute General Store, where you can purchase many items including Burn Institute apparel.

BOMBEROS DE SAN DIEGO TEE-OFF FOR CHARITY



In May, the Bomberos De San Diego held their Fourth Annual Golf Tournament at beautiful Eastlake Country Club in Chula Vista.

More than 100 golfers participated in the tournament raising more than \$4,000 for community programs provided the Bomberos De San Diego and the Burn Institute.

A very special thank you to event chair Ernie Garcia and the event committee.

LOREN KRAMER RECEIVES CHAD HEALTH HERO AWARD

At a reception held at the Wyndham Emerald Plaza in March, Loren Kramer, principal of Kramer Design, received the 2002 Combined Health Agency CHAD/Health Hero Award for his contributions in the Business and Industry category.



Since 1997, Kramer Design has committed itself to the Burn Institute by donating tens of thousands of dollars in creative services. Among its many contributions, Kramer Design created the Institute’s 1999/2000 Biennial Report. In addition, Kramer Design has created special event invitations and programs. They also created van wraps for both Institute vans. Their most recent project includes the design of the new Burn Institute website.



The Hot Line

- Congratulations to Fernando Felix, recently promoted to Burn Institute Director of Program Services.
- The Burn Institute recently funded \$5,000 to the UCSD Division of Plastic Surgery. This project deals with HSV infections in burn patients, incidence, risk factors, and diagnosis and treatment.

Mark Your Calendars

- **Coronado Firefighters' Spaghetti Dinner.** Sunday, July 14, 4 - 7 p.m. 1001 6th Street, Coronado.
- **"Give Burns The Boot,"** county-wide firefighters boot drive. Tuesday, July 16, from 6 - 9 a.m. Various intersections throughout San Diego County.
- **Burn Run/FIRE EXPO 2002** Saturday, July 20 @ Qualcomm Stadium, 1 - 7 p.m.
- **Camp Beyond the Scars** August 9-15 @ Camp Fox, Santa Ysabel
- **San Diego County Fire Chiefs' Association Golf Tournament.** Monday, September 9. Shotgun Start @ 12:00 p.m. at StoneRidge Country Club.

For more information call the Burn Institute at (858) 541-2277.



This fall marks the annual

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Please remember the Burn Institute.

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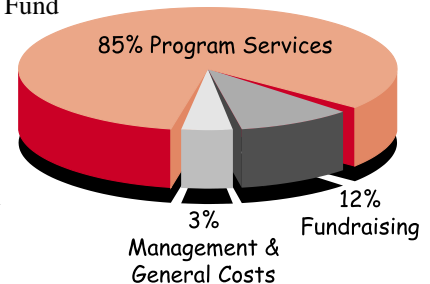
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- "Burni the Dragon's Preschool Fire and Burn Prevention Program"
- "Let's Stay Safe From Fires and Burns"
- "Stop Fires and Burns"
- "Burns are Serious Business"
- Juvenile Firesetter Program
- Child Care Burn Prevention
- Senior Fire Safety & Smoke Detector Program
- Fire Safety Training Program (*Nominal Fee*)
- Wildfire Program

BURN SURVIVOR SUPPORT

- Camp Beyond the Scars For Burn-Injured Children
- Holiday Party for Burn-Injured Children
- Retreat For Adult Burn Survivors
- Burn Survivor Emergency Needs Fund
- School Re-Entry Program
- Special Assistance Fund
- Monthly Outings



BURN RESEARCH

- Funding Vital Burn Research and Treatment

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Spirit of Courage Awards Banquet
- Public Service Announcements
- Fire and Burn Prevention Literature
- Speakers Bureau
- Video Library

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- Send me information on Planned Giving
- Send me more information on your programs and services.
- Please contact me about becoming a Burn Institute volunteer
- I would like to become an Auxiliary member - enclosed is my \$25 annual membership fee made payable to the Burn Institute Auxiliary.
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12th Annual Golf Tournament

To benefit the Burn Institute

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StoneRidge Country Club, Poway

For information call (858) 541-2277

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