

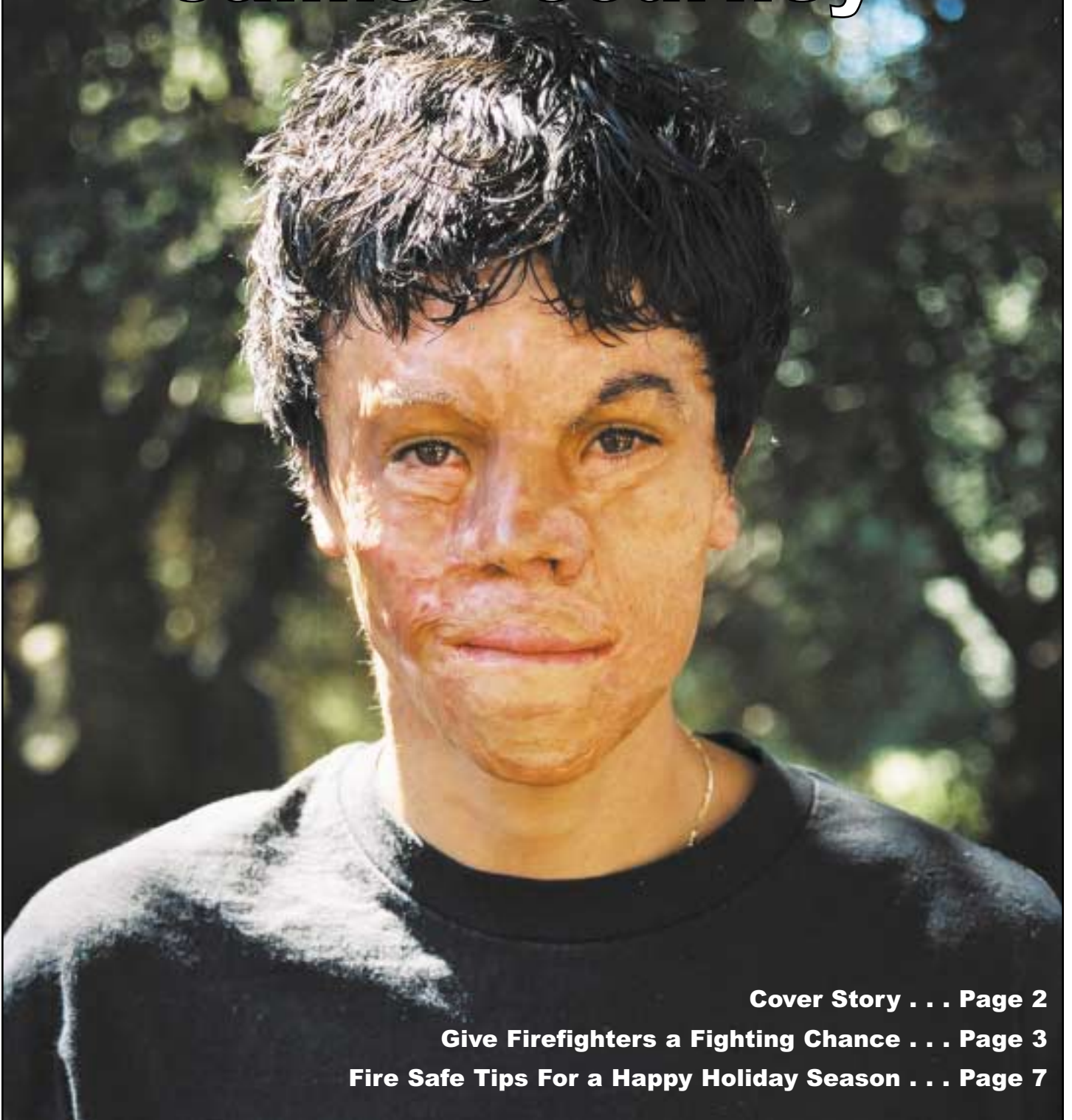


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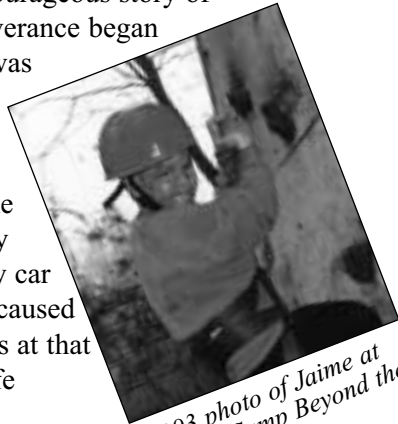
Jaime Rodriguez' courageous story of strength and perseverance began in 1987, when he was only two years old.

One afternoon, he and his babysitter were returning home from the grocery store when they were involved in a fiery car accident. The accident caused an explosion, and it was at that moment that Jaime's life changed forever.

Jaime was severely burned and barely survived the trip to the hospital. He had burn injuries to his hands, face, legs and arms - over 85 percent of his body was burned and his chances for survival were slim, at best.

After many surgeries and outstanding medical care, Jaime was released from the hospital and began his new journey. His mother learned about the Burn Institute and this began his remarkable transformation from burn victim to burn survivor.

In 1993, a five-year-old Jaime attended his first Burn Institute camp - *Camp Beyond the Scars*. For the first time, Jaime met other kids that had burn injuries like



1993 photo of Jaime at winter Camp Beyond the Scars.

himself. Jaime made new friends and enjoyed all that camp had to offer including horsebackriding, arts and crafts, swimming, archery, and roller blading. After years of attending *Camp Beyond the Scars*, Jaime developed a greater sense of confidence in himself and his abilities.

Later, when Jaime was ready for school, the Burn Institute conducted a School-Re-Entry session with his soon to be classmates. The session prepared his classmates for Jaime's visible scars, and explained that despite his physical differences, he was still the same as the rest of the children.

Now, at age 16, Jaime serves as a camp counselor in training. His experiences and insight go a long way in helping new burn survivors learn to cope with their new injuries and adversities.

Jaime's journey has taken him full circle from burn victim to burn survivor. He has accepted who he is and what he has to offer. Just like other young boys his age, Jaime has dreams and interests too. He spends his time playing the drums and someday wants to start his own band. His interests also include magic tricks. Some might say Jaime's story is the true magic - for Jaime may have visible scars on the outside, but he has a pristine and magical soul on the inside.

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FOR THE RECORD

- In the Summer 2003 issue the San Diego Fire Protection Association was left out as a Spirit of Courage Major Sponsor.

The Burn Institute regrets the error.

On the Cover . . .
Photo of Jaime at Summer Camp Beyond the Scars 2003.



In the summer of 1995 Jaime was the honorary chair of Burn Run/ FIRE EXPO. (Left to right) San Diego Fire-Rescue Captain and Director of Camp Beyond the Scars Arnie Garcia, Jaime, and Bip Roberts. Smokey and Sparky are in the back row.

Give Firefighters a Fighting Chance

It would be difficult to imagine anything more horrific than the devastation left behind by the October 2003 wildfires. The only thing more tragic might be what *could have* been prevented.

No doubt, not all of the devastation left behind by the Santa Ana wind-swept firestorm that devoured our community was preventable. But, there are three vital steps that every homeowner can take to give firefighters a fighting chance to save precious lives and property.

1. Defensible Space. Clearing brush up to 100 feet from your home (depending on where you live in the county) gives our heroes the opportunity to do what they do best, fight fire. Reports continue to pour in about homeowners who created a buffer around their home, and in return for their efforts, their homes were spared.



For your FREE copy of "Living with Wildfire" call the Burn Institute at 858.541.2277



A little preventative maintenance can save you from having to come home to this. Above photo shows a home in the Crest area recently destroyed by Wildfire.

2. Non-Combustible Roofing.

Having a shake-shingle roof is akin to putting kindling wood on your home. Shake shingle homes are next to impossible to save during wildfire conditions. A non-combustible roof will usually withstand the heat from a traveling firebrand and not cause a house to ignite.

3. Evacuation. Create an evacuation plan along with a checklist of your most precious belongings, important papers and medications. If there should come a time for you to evacuate, all you

have to do is load up your stuff and get out immediately! Property can be replaced, but not human life.

All of this vital information and more can be found in the Burn Institute's "Living With Wildfire" A Guide For The Homeowner. This 12-page publication provides detailed information on how you can better prepare your home and family in case of a wildfire.

The Burn Institute extends its heartfelt sympathy to those affected by the recent Wildfires and sends its sincere condolences to the family and friends of fallen Navato firefighter Steven Rucker and injured Navato firefighter Doug McDonald.

Burn Institute Support Programs Provide Vital Assistance to Burn Survivors

For 30-years, the Burn Institute has been there to help burn survivors face challenges, manage their recovery, and deal with the emotional and physical trauma of their injuries. Burn survivor support programs are a vital component of the Burn Institute's program activities - two such programs are:

Emergency Needs Fund

Helps provide emergency housing for the low-income families of burn patients while their loved ones are being treated at the UCSD Regional Burn Center. The fund also provides emergency transportation to and from the burn center for required follow-up treatment after being discharged from the burn unit.

Special Assistance Fund

Helps fulfill the special needs (special equipment and devices) of severely burned patients while both at the center, and after discharge. Also helps with sponsoring burn survivors so that they can participate in special activities, programs and conferences, which help to heal their emotional scars.

A gift of \$340 will rent special range of motion therapeutic equipment for a burn survivor

Sizzling Summer Fun at



If you were one of the nearly 15,000 people that attended this year's 13th Annual Burn Run/FIRE EXPO, then you know from firsthand experience it was the best one ever!

Presented by Sycuan, this San Diego tradition began bright and early on July 19

with the north and south Burn Run routes. The north route began with a breakfast at Rancho Santa Fe Station #2 and the south run began with a traditional breakfast send-off at the El Cajon Elks Lodge #1812.

Both runs traveled throughout the county for check presentations to the Burn Institute. When they arrived at Qualcomm Stadium for the arrival ceremonies, they were greeted by thousands of people.

Following FIRE EXPO was the final Firefighters Night at the Padres at Qualcomm Stadium. The special on-field ceremonies paid tribute to our local fire service heroes.

A special thank you to The San Diego - Imperial County Fire Fighters Advisory Council to the Burn Institute, and Presenting Sponsors Sycuan and KUSI TV.

This year's event raised more than \$225,000 for the important work of the Burn Institute.



More than 70 pieces of fire apparatus paraded into Qualcomm Stadium for the 13th Annual Burn Run/FIRE EXPO.



Burn Run/FIRE EXPO has something for everyone. (Left) A little boy's dream comes true when he gets to try on a fire helmet and sit inside a fire truck.



(Above) Members of the Federal Fire Department color guard participated in special on-field ceremonies honoring the fire service during Firefighters Night at the Padres.



A firefighter from San Diego Fire Rescue 4 shows a young boy from the audience how the "jaws of life" work.

Burn Run/FIRE EXPO 2003



Burn Institute Executive Director James Floros (left) presents a token of appreciation to Jeremy Castro-Jouvet, honoray chair of Burn Run/FIRE EXPO 2003.



The California State Firefighters Association horse drawn steamer led the Burn Run procession into Qualcomm Stadium.



During the Burn Run, members from the San Diego Rural Fire Department make a check presentation to the Burn Institute in the amount of \$18,840.

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The Dirty Dozen Smash Cars To Help Burn-Injured Children

Dedicated In Memory of Steve Brucker

A dozen firefighters representing fire departments from throughout the county rev'd up their engines and put the pedal to the medal this past June for the **12th Annual Fire Fighters Destruction Derby**.

Firefighters spent months gathering sponsorships, preparing, tuning and decorating their derby cars for this one-of-a-kind event held at the Cajon Speedway.

The evening included an opening ceremony parade lap, a mini firefighter boot drive and the sale of commemorative t-shirts, which included a memorium to Cajon Speedway Owner Steve Brucker.

Once all the dust cleared, Rocky Rehberg representing the Oceanside Fire Department walked away with the first place perpetual trophy. In second place was Kurt Freyling from the San Miguel Consolidated Fire Protection District, and third place honors went to Tracy Colburn from the California Department of Forestry.

Destruction Derby 2003 was the most successful ever raising more than \$50,000 for the important work of the Burn Institute.

Thank You !

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Charlie Minch and "The Guys" at the track!

The wonderful fans out at Cajon Speedway

Our Awesome Volunteers!

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we couldn't do it without you!

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are included on page 14.

2003 Derby Drivers

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Chip Tidball

Miramar Fire Department

John Meyer

Oceanside Fire Department

Rocky Rehberg

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Fire Protection District

Kurt Freyling



The car with the shark fin took first place honors in the 2003 Firefighter's Destruction Derby. (Above) Derby driver Rocky Rehberg from the Oceanside Fire Department.

Fire Safe Tips For a Happy Holiday Season

The holiday season is upon us and for most, this is a festive and joyous time of year. However, with all the fun and festivities also comes the potential for fire and burn hazards. The Burn Institute offers the following tips to help keep you and your loved ones safe:

Candle Safety

- Extinguish candles when leaving the room or going to sleep.
- Place candle holders on sturdy, uncluttered surfaces.
- Place candles in sturdy, non combustible candle holders.
- Keep candles away from flammable items.
- Do not place candles near windows or curtains of any kind.
- Extinguish candles when they get to within two inches of the holder.
- Never leave a child unattended in a room with a candle.
- Do not allow children or teens to have candles in their bedrooms.
- Store candles, matches, and lighters in a safe place away from children.
- Keep wick trimmed to 1/4 inch.
- Keep candles out of children's reach.



Christmas Tree Safety

- When choosing a fresh tree make sure that the pine needles are difficult to pull from the branches. They should not break when bent between your fingers. If a shower of pine needles fall when you bounce the tree trunk on the ground, the tree is dry and potentially a fire hazard.
- Choose a sturdy tree stand that holds at least one gallon of liquid.
- Make a fresh cut three-inches from the base of the tree and place the tree in fluid (see recipe below)
- When purchasing an artificial tree, be sure it is labeled as fire-retardant.
- Place your tree at least three feet away from any heat source and do not block any exit.
- Always use URL rated tree lights marked for indoor use only.
- Dispose of lights with frayed or broken cords or loose bulb connections.
- Always unplug tree lights before leaving your home or going to sleep.
- When your tree begins to shed needles, it is time to dispose of it. Dried trees are a serious fire hazard and should not be left in a garage or placed against the outside of your home.



Fire Retardant Christmas Tree Recipe

The following recipe is designed to increase fluid intake for a freshly cut tree and help keep it from drying out too quickly and becoming a fire hazard. Make a fresh cut three inches from the trunk base, fill the remainder of the bucket with warm water, and place the trunk of the tree in the bucket. For best results, leave the tree in the bucket for at least five days before bringing it inside. Use the remaining mixture to fill the tree stand.

Combine these ingredients in a bucket:

- 1 gallon warm water
- 1 pint clear Karo Syrup
- 4 oz. liquid chlorine bleach
- 1/2 teaspoon borax
- 2 oz. cider vinegar
- 2 oz. liquid Woolite

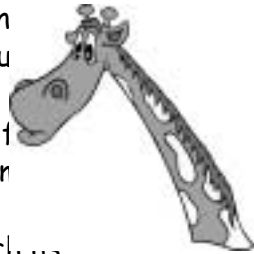
The Spirit of Adventure takes Burn

The theme for this summer's Camp Beyond the Scars was based on "adventure." Webster's Dictionary defines adventure as: ad-ven-ture: (ad-ven'chur) 1. an exciting or remarkable or very unusual experience.

To the more than 100 participants, in nearly 50 burn-injured children and you camp was the epitome of adventure!

Burn survivors often suffer from self-consciousness about their burns. At Camp the Scars, kids had the opportunity to participate in many group activities such as horseback riding, rock climbing, archery and sliding down a water slide...many of them for the very first time.

While memorable experiences and making friends is an important aspect of camp, so is



(Left) Camper Donnell enjoys a piggyback ride from camp volunteer, El Cajon Firefighter / Paramedic Jym Bridger

participating in a variety of activities. After trying some of these unique activities for the first time, many campers choose to continue with that activity long after camp. This helps build their self-esteem.

"During camp, kids don't have to worry about others seeing their scars or being perceived as "different," said Liz Sorenson, Burn Survivor Support Coordinator, Burn Institute.

"Campers learn to think of themselves as "survivors," not "victims," Liz added. Support activities are geared toward their emotional healing, which serves as the successful backbone of Camp Beyond the Scars.

This year's summer camp featured the launch of a new activity...surfin' safari. With Lance Takata at the helm, many volunteers from the fire service and professional surf instructors from Wind and Sea Beach helped kids learn to surf. What a sense of accomplishment for these children! The surf was up, the sun was shining and the smiles were bright.

Every adventure needs a colorful backdrop and this camp was no exception. Kids and



(Above) Camper Tana enjoys an afternoon of horseback riding.



(Left) Camp counselors show off their safari hats. (Top left to right) Jack Glassford, Christine Shuttleworth. (Bottom left to right) Denise Burk, Maudi de Klerk, Vicki Morrison and Charlene Stangle.

Survivors on a "Summer Safari"

counselors alike got in the Spirit of Adventure by outfitting themselves, their cabins and the dining hall with fun and crazy safari themed decorations --including everything from monkey's giraffes, tigers, animal print fur and feathers, jungles vines and monkey huts.

And, summer camp would not be complete without the traditional last night dance. True to the theme, the "Jungle Jam," featured the DJ talents of Chula Vista Fire Captain Jim Garcia. The kids and volunteers kicked up their heels, sang karaoke and enjoyed a delicious outdoor barbecue dinner.

In addition to all of the dedicated volunteers, friends and family that made our camp a great success...

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Park.

Hi Liz,
It's Corey's mom, Margaret, just letting you know how much we appreciate all you do on behalf of the burn camp...something that definitely benefits my son. Corey had a wonderful time again. I don't know what I would have done had Corey not had the support and encouragement that Camp Beyond the Scars has given him. This was the first summer he didn't have to have surgery and so going to camp was special because he wasn't sporting any new wounds to be careful of. He was pretty proud of the fact that he could learn to surf...he has been a little fearful of the ocean and sun...probably because I have kept him covered up and fully loaded with sunblock...Besides he has always been bothered by the stare of those around him...he is in that teenage mode and so impressions are important although he knows he is special in spite of the scars. We will always be grateful for your organization and what it does for so many kids.
Thank you so much.

Love,

Margaret Repucci



Surfs Up for camper Corey who's "Hangin Ten" for the very first time at La Jolla Shores.

A \$450 donation will send one child to Camp Beyond The Scars

“Give Burns the Boot” Nets Nearly \$100,000

In July, local firefighters took to the streets for the “Give Burns the Boot” Firefighters Boot Drive.

This third annual event marked the beginning of the perpetual traveling bronze boot trophy. During the boot drive, the county is divided into four areas - north, south, east and San Diego City. The department or station that raises the most money is awarded the perpetual traveling boot trophy to display in their station until the following year.

The Escondido Fire Department won North County’s honor, the San Diego Rural Fire Department won East County’s honor and the Bonita Sunnyside Fire Protection District won South Bay’s honor. The winning station from the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department was Station #33.

A very special THANK YOU to all who participated and to everyone who stopped to fill a firefighter’s boot. Your generosity and hard work netted just under \$100,000!

(“Give Burns The Boot” is used by the Burn Institute under license from the Georgia Firefighters Burn Foundation)



(Left to right) Captain Angel Hendrie and Captain Michael Simpson from the San Diego Rural Fire Department; Mike Bertrand, Escondido Fire Department; Mike Nuanes, San Diego Fire-Rescue Department; Chief Scott Walker, Bonita Sunnyside Fire Protection District

Calendar of Events

- **Kobey’s Boot Drive & T-Shirt Sale**
December 6 & 7, 2003 from 6 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Kobey’s Swap Meet, Sports Arena.
- **Retreat for Adult Burn Survivors**
January 16-19, 2004
Ballena Lodge, Camp Oakbridge
- **Winter Camp Beyond the Scars**
January 17-19, 2004
Camp Oakbridge, Ramona
- **Share Your Heart Auction,
Wine Tasting & Casino Night**
February 7, 2004 San Diego Hall of Champions
- **California Society of Healthcare
Engineers Golf Tournament**
March 15, 2004, Admiral Baker Field
- **Imperial Valley Fire Ball**
April 2, 2004, Barbara Worth Resort, Holtville
- **Spirit of Courage Awards Banquet**
May 20, 2004
Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina

Garcia’s Receive KGTV Honors

In October, KGTV Channel 10 honored San Diego Fire Captain Arnie Garcia and his wife Jolee with the 10 Leadership Award for volunteering their time and energy to the Burn Institute for more than a decade. Currently, Arnie serves as camp director for *Camp Beyond the Scars* and Jolee is president of the Burn Institute Auxiliary.

The 10 Leadership Award recognizes San Diegans who are dedicated to improving our community. This is the first time a volunteer from the Institute has received this local honor.



(Above) Before a crowd of Burn Institute friends, volunteers and staff, Channel 10 Reporter Leonard Villarreal presented Arnie and Jolee with the 10 Leadership Award.

Fire Chiefs' Enjoy An Afternoon **TEE** Party

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(left to right) First place winners: San Diego Fire Chief Jeff Bowman, Jeff Butler, Mike Benoit, and John Thomson from San Diego City Fire Fighters Local 145 team.

In September, a full field of golfers participated in the 13th Annual San Diego County Fire Chiefs' Association Golf Tournament held at the Lomas Santa Fe Country Club.

Presented by Sycuan and sponsored by the San Diego Fire Protection Association, the event raised nearly \$55,000 for the important work of the Burn Institute.

A very special thank you to tournament chair Sycuan Fire Chief Mitch Villalpando and his dedicated committee: Chief George George (Ret.), Chief John Hale, Chief Darrell Jobs, Chief Orville Moody (Ret.), Chief Doug Perry, Chief Scott Walker and Judy Reed.

First place winners are pictured above right. Second place went to the Escondido Fire Department team of Randy Brookes, Mike Allen, Larry Bernhard and Steve DiGiovanna. Third place went to the El Cajon Fire Department team of Bill Chard, Derek Dozier, Rick Smylie and Greg Sedlacek.

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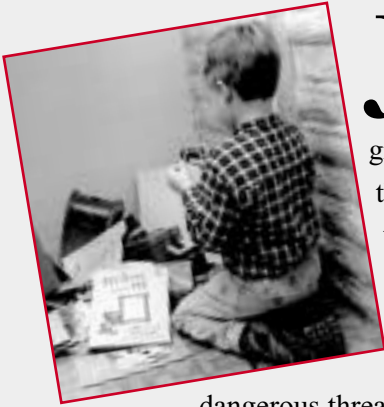
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Juvenile Fire-Setting . . .

The Fastest Growing Fire Threat In The U.S.



Juvenile Fire-setting has been identified as the fastest growing fire threat in the United States, & the Burn Institute is one of the leading agencies in the nation combatting this dangerous threat to public safety.

On June 27, 2003 the Wall Street Journal published an article about Juvenile Fire-setting entitled "*Medical Mystery: Why some children keep setting fires.*" The article discussed many facets on this subject including why fire-setting urges are so incredibly overwhelming for so many kids. The Burn Institute's Juvenile Fire-setting Program has an unparalleled track record when it comes to correcting this life-threatening behavior. Just this year, nearly 300 children have participated in firesetter

interventions, putting the Institute on the threshold of a record-breaking year. While the Wall Street Journal article reports recidivism rates between 25-50 percent, the Burn Institute's recidivism rate remains at an astounding low two percent.

On November 3, the Burn Institute hosted a three day international youth fire-setting conference entitled "Drawn to the Flames." The conference was held at the beautiful Coronado Marriott and featured national experts on fire-setting from the fire service, law enforcement, mental health, juvenile justice, school administration, and other fields.

Annual statistics show that nearly 1,000 people are killed and more than 1.2 billion dollars in property is destroyed as a result of children playing with fire. Juvenile Fire-setting continues to be a serious problem, yet many children never receive the help they need to help combat this dangerous behavior.

The Burn Institute's Juvenile Fire-Setter program is available year round, in English or Spanish, to residents through San Diego and Imperial counties

Country Music's Biggest and Brightest Help Benefit the Burn Institute

On October 12, some of country music's brightest stars played *under the stars* at the Coor's Amphitheatre in Chula Vista.

Nearly 6,000 adoring fans turned out for Country Fest 4, which featured performances by Dierks Bentley, Jennifer Hansen, Jimmy Wayne, Joe Nichols, Ronnie Milsap, Lonestar and Jo Dee Messina.



The Burn Institute would like to extend a very big **Thank You** to KSON FM 97.3, Chris Turner and House of Blues Concerts for naming the Burn Institute as a beneficiary. Your generous donation will help the Burn Institute continue to provide valuable fire and burn prevention education programs and burn survivor support programs to our community.

The Burn Institute Presents The Jerry and Carolyn Davee Fund “Helping burn survivors in their time of need”

The Burn Institute’s mission consists of three parts: provide fire and burn prevention education, fund burn research and treatment, and provide burn survivor support programs. Next year, the Burn Institute will add to its list of support programs with the addition of the *Jerry and Carolyn Davee Fund*.

Jerry is currently chairman of the Burn Institute Board of Directors and a burn survivor who successfully recovered from a tragic accident in 1978. Without a question, a serious burn injury affects a family - and in particular a spouse - almost as much as the victim. Carolyn’s steadfast support of Jerry through his injury was critical to his recovery, both physically and emotionally. And, for more than a quarter century, Carolyn has shared Jerry’s passion for the important work of the Burn Institute.



The *Jerry and Carolyn Davee Fund* will be directed toward:

Camp Beyond the Scars: An activity that brings young burn survivors together in a supportive environment, which allows them to move forward with their psychological healing.

Emergency Needs and Special Assistance Funds: Helps burn survivors and their families in their greatest time of need.

College Scholarships for Burn Surviving

Children: Will assist low-income burn survivors earn a college degree.

Burn Research and Equipment: Furthering burn research and treatment developments ensures that burn victims receive the best in treatment options.

For more information about this fund, contact Burn Institute Executive Director James Floros at 858.541.2277.

UCSD and the Burn Institute Providing a Brighter Future for Burn Survivors

Earlier this year the Burn Institute and Integra Life Sciences teamed up to donate \$15,995 to the UCSD Medical Center-Division of Plastic Surgery. The money was designated to help fund a research project entitled “Encirclage of tendon repair with biosynthetic material - a biomechanical barrier - to reduce the postoperative adhesions.” In addition, Integra also donated nearly \$6,000 in product to complete the research.

Then, in October the Burn Institute and the UCSD Regional Burn Center once again joined forces to present a one-day Burn Survivor Symposium. Held at the Burn Institute, the symposium hosted a multitude of speakers who presented valuable information to aid

burn survivors with their recovery process. The symposium, led by Ralph Baldi, LVN, of the UCSD Regional Burn Center, was a big step forward in providing education, awareness, successful strategies and resources for burn survivors. Topics included: Reconstructive Surgery - Today and Tomorrow, Exploring Personal Relationships, Image Enhancement, Legal Issues and ADA Vocation Training/Re-Training. Attendees included burn survivors, nurses, therapists from the burn unit, family members, care givers, case managers and others.

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- “Let’s Stay Safe From Fires and Burns”
- “Stop Fires and Burns”
- “Burns are Serious Business”
- “Juvenile Firesetter Program”
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- Senior Fire Safety & Smoke Detector Program
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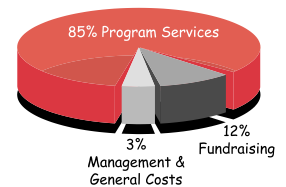
- Camp Beyond the Scars for Burn-Injured Children
- Holiday Party for Burn Survivors
- Retreat For Adult Burn Survivors
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- Funding Vital Burn Research and Treatment

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