



Burn Support Group Charitable Trust, Inc.

Newsletter

MARCH 2016

LOCK IN THESE DATES:

Support Sunday - Sunday 19
June, 2016

Phoenix Society World Burn
Congress 2016 (Providence,
Rhode Island, USA) - 19 - 23
October 2016

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR MORE
INFORMATION ON OUR
CHARITY RACE NIGHT

Burn Support News

Summer has been and gone - what a beauty it was! I hope you are all remembering to SLIP on a shirt, SLOP on some sunscreen, and SLAP on a hat. Radiation levels are at their peak from September to April, especially between 10am and 4pm so please be Sunsmart!
HAPPY EASTER!



A HUGE HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY TO

ALAN BRESLAU

OUR BURN SUPPORT GROUP
CHARITABLE TRUST PATRON
FOR THE 18TH MARCH!



Red, white and blue balloons, flowers, napkins and the American flag, together with other yankee doodle dandee miscellanea all contributed to 'setting the scene' to honour Alan's heritage.

Guests arrived from as far away as Dargaville and Tauranga. Alex 'opened' the gathering with one of his wonderful Maori mihi's. . There was a piano which Alan belted out a few tunes on, testimonials and video tributes were read and shown from the United States and a goodly time was had by all.

"To be honoured in this way meant an enormous amount to us both. More than words can say actually"..... Delwyn Breslau



If you wish to see the video links, they can be seen on:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=56QeNFbX7vg&feature=youtu.be>

<https://vimeo.com/158663534/fa30c0c888>



Mr Quick Cool says:
"Seconds to burn,
BUT at least
20 minutes to cool !!!"

Lets be friends on Facebook.

[www.facebook.com/
burnsupportgroup](http://www.facebook.com/burnsupportgroup)



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BSG DONATION TO KIDZ FIRST AND THE NATIONAL BURN CENTRE



Burn Support Group recently donated two AccuVein vein finders to Kidz First Children's Hospital surgical unit and the National Burn Centre at Middlemore.

The AccuVein digitally displays a map of veins on the surface of the skin allowing clinicians to verify vein patency. The Accuvein also helps to locate veins through scar tissue. It can detect veins up to 10 millimetres deep.

Kidz First nurse educator Roni Hamilton says the machines mean fewer attempts are needed when finding veins for blood tests or putting



an IV in. "You can actually see the vein rather than guessing where it is. "Fewer attempts mean less pain for children and adults, less trauma and anxiety, which is a big thing especially because these patients tend to be longterm patients so they have a lot of needle sticks."

Thank you to **Southern Stars Charitable Trust** in assisting us with fundraising to make this donation possible.

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO KEEP THE KIDS BUSY DURING THE HOLIDAYS?

There are PLENTY of activities in the Entertainment Book . Choose from digital and hardcopy memberships for all around NZ.

If you would like to purchase an Entertainment Book through Burn Support Group the link is listed below. \$13 from each book comes directly to us which in turn supports burn survivors. Help us achieve our goal by sharing this link with your friends and Family. Thanks for your support! - <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/967t08>



GIRLS NIGHT OUT
My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2
Fundraising for the Burn Support Charitable Trust
For those interested in ladies movie night
Thursday 7th April, 6.30pm start
\$25.00 ticket + glass of wine!!
MY BIG FAT GREEK WEDDING 2
Contact Michele@burns.org.nz
MONTEREY CINEMAS
4/2 Fencible Dr, Howick, Auckland 2145

Please support our "Girls Night Out at the Movies" - My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2

Proceeds will go to Burn Support Group Charitable Trust.

Thursday 7th April at Monterey Cinemas in Howick.

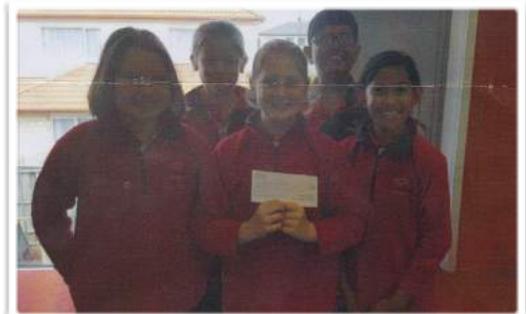
Tickets cost \$25

For more information or to purchase tickets please contact:

michele@burns.org.nz

THANK YOU BAVERSTOCK OAKS SCHOOL

Six Year 6 entrepreneurs from Baverstock Oaks School raised money for Burn Support Group through a Bake Sale. Over two days these girls baked delicious treats and sold them at school. They raised \$128.10 and donated this to help burn survivors and to support the annual Children's Camp. A BIG thank you to Alicia Steele, Bettina labnotin, Elsa McCormick, Keira Fennessy, Yaseen Karimi and Diya Patel for your fantastic support. It's great to see compassionate people at such a young age.



CAMP AWHI 2016

Every year Burn Support Group bring together children from all over NZ who have sustained a burn injury. This is free of charge through fundraising done throughout the year.

This years camp was at Piha Mill, on the West Coast of Auckland. We had five days of beautiful weather, fun, support, determination and making new friends.

Thanks to Bio Oil who donate such amazing items. Cooper and Co's Coffee and Cone brought a huge smile to the children's faces when they arrived in their ice-cream truck.

Thanks to Alan and Delwyn Breslau and our adult burn survivors who inspire and are great role models to our children. Also to Tori, Ru, and Cindy who volunteered their time. For more information on our camp please see our website www.buns.org.nz



BSG EDUCATIONAL TALKS IN SCHOOLS



Year 7's, who were off to school camp. We spoke on the hazards and safety precautions around fire and burns. Mata (who was burnt as a child)

spoke about her life growing up and about having confidence.

If you are interested in BSG attending your school, kindergarten, community group etc and speaking about burn safety, burn prevention or even for re-entry back to school for children who have had burns, please contact us info@burns.org.nz.

Burn Support Group have three aims - prevention, education and care, so you can quite often find us out in the community educating on how to prevent burns, first aid for burns and safe practices. Recently board member, Mata Laakulu and administrator, Michele Henry presented "Burn Safety" to Mission Heights Junior School



Thanks a bunch!

Compassionate couple

This week's Thanks a Bunch goes to Half Moon Bay residents Alan and Delwyn Breslau, patrons of the Burn Support Charitable Trust.

They were nominated by Michele Henry who writes:

"Delwyn lives and breathes her compassion for the burn survivors throughout the community, she is always ready with an ear to listen, words to heal, a smile full of warmth.

"In her nearly non-existent spare time, Delwyn will be spreading the word and aiding and supporting the child and adult burn survivors.

"Delwyn's energy, enthusiasm, stamina and general kindness make her a wonderful candidate for the Thanks a Bunch flowers."



Delwyn and Alan Breslau are this week's Thanks a Bunch recipients.



WARM WEATHER SAFETY TIPS

Never use accelerants to start a fire.

Make sure there are no combustibles in what you are burning.

Keep a bucket of water or a hose nearby when lighting fires.

Keep children well away from fires.

Make sure children wear footwear on hot surfaces so they do not burn the soles of their feet

Make sure children are not playing near the BBQ or fires.

Make sure everyone has sunblock on at all times!

KIDSFair 2016

BSG were on hand at the Kids Fair to answer questions, provide information and raise awareness of burn safety. Pictured is BSG secretary Rosemary Barling and a furry friend.



PHOENIX SOCIETY WORLD BURN CONGRESS

Thank you to all the people that sent in submissions for the amazing opportunity to attend the World Burn Congress. All were as worthy as each other and made it a very hard decision for our board. Congratulations to Michele, Paul and Jack, Louise and Jorja and Tracey-Maree who will be representing Burn Support Group in Rhode Island.

Tracey-Maree Houia suffered burn injuries as a young child. She is a fantastic ambassador

with her motto "Beauty is Skin Deep, BEAUTIFUL is SOUL deep".

Jorja and Louise Sharp are Mother and daughter. Jorja suffered her burn injuries as a toddler and has been attending our Children's Camps for many years now. Jorja is a fantastic advocate for young girls growing up with burns having spoken at our Charity Night.

Paul and Jack Dragicevich are Father and Son. Jack was burned in a microwave hot water accident as a youngster. You can often find Jack at our many events speaking to adults and showing off his scars. Paul is a BSG Board Member.

Michele Henry is our administrator for BSG. This experience is invaluable for her. Not only will this be a life-changing experience for her, she can use her expertise learned when she comes back.

Next year we will be sending another small group to the World Burn Congress. We encourage everyone

who applied this year and anyone else who thinks they will benefit and can give back to Burn Support Group to apply again..

COUNSELLING

Viola Beintken provided her service at our Children's camp to our young burn survivors. Side by Side Counselling offer affordable support to those who are mostly at risk of being silenced in our society.

"Our goal is to offer you a safe place to talk about your life and to explore your resources. We would like to support you in trying out new ways of dealing with challenges."

For more information see: <http://side-by-side-counselling.puzl.com>

Are you a burn survivor or the parent/caregiver or a friend of a burn survivor and feel that others might benefit from and be encouraged by you sharing your experience, please contact us and tell us about it - info@burns.org.nz

Yes I want to make a difference to the lives of burn survivors and their families

Please accept my donation of \$

Details:

My email address is:

I'd like to donate by:

Online at www.burns.org.nz OR

Enclosed cheque made payable to Burn Support Group Charitable Trust. (PO Box 97164, Manukau City, Auckland 2241)

Please contact me about:

Making regular donations

Leaving a bequest in my will

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