

# Clowns seek money for children's burn camp

Two well-known clowns in the Bixby area, Chatters and Idunno, are members of the Tulsa Firefighter's Educational Clowns which, with the sponsorship of Tulsa

Firefighters, participate in Oklahoma's only burn camp.

"This is the fifth year for the camp," says Chatters, "and it's the most rewarding event we do. The children can relax there because everyone else looks like they do."

The camp is free to children who are victims of burns and other injuries that cause disfigurement of any kind, scars to the body, arms, legs and face that might make the child self conscious about the way they look to others in public.

With a one-to-one camper/counselor relationship at camp, the camp provides a mentoring program. Sponsoring burn camp costs \$25,000.

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Other events accomplished with donations include provided furnished apartments for burn victim's families while they are in the Hillcrest Alexander Burn Center sometimes for months. The apartment is always in use. The cost for this program is \$9,000 per year.

This does not include life and fire safety programs which total over \$95,000 per year to provide.

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