

**Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization**  
 "United for Asbestos Disease Awareness, Education,  
 Advocacy, Prevention, Support, and a Cure"

## Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization Newsletter

March - 2007 (Bi-Monthly)

Volume 3 Issue 2

In This Issue

# BREAKING NEWS

## *U.S. Senator Patty Murray to re-introduce "Ban Asbestos in America Act"*

Today, March 1st, Sen. Patty Murray will re-launch her 5 year effort to ban asbestos and protect American workers and their families.

As Chair of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pension Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety, Murray will hear testimony on the need to ban asbestos and the deadly consequences of asbestos exposure for workers and their families.

The hearing will be held at 10:00 am EST in the Senate Dirksen building, Room 430. Further committee details can be viewed [HERE](#). You may be able to hear the audio by visiting [HERE](#) and selecting "Dirksen 430" from the list of hearing rooms.

On behalf of ADAO and in attendance at the hearing will be Linda Reinstein, Doug Larkin and Herman Hamilton.

**Jordan Zevon to Perform**

**Les Skramstad to be Honored**

**3rd Annual Asbestos Awareness Day Conference**

**2007 Family Tribute Form**

**URGENT: TO ANYONE IN NEW YORK ON OR AFTER 9/11**

**Important Links**

**Note From the Editor**

**Purchase Wristband and DVD**

## *Jordan Zevon to Perform*



Jordan Zevon, ADAO's National Spokesman, is a singer and song writer whose father, the legendary Warren Zevon, died of mesothelioma in 2003. Jordan has recently completed his first full-length CD, which will be released this summer. His song, "The Joke's on Me," co-written with Jordan Summers, won first place in the pop category in the 2006 U.S.A. Songwriters Competition. "The Joke's on Me" appears on his EP, "Jordan Zevon," available [HERE](#).

In addition, Jordan was executive producer of his father's final album, the Grammy-winning "The Wind". He also co-produced "Enjoy Every Sandwich: The Songs of Warren Zevon," a tribute



CD that features an all-star cast of singers and musicians.

On May 1, Jordan will make his live performance debut at The Mint in Los Angeles. That same date HarperCollins/ECCO will publish "I'll Sleep When I'm Dead: The Dirty Life and Times of Warren Zevon," compiled by Warren's ex-wife, Crystal Zevon at his request. It tells Warren's story thorough interviews with his friends, family and colleagues, including such stars as Jackson Browne, Lindsay Buckingham and David Crosby. Completing the Zevon hat trick, New West will release, "Preludes: Rare and Unreleased Recording," a two-CD set including some of Warren Zevon's pre-1976 work, including demos, alternate versions, and unreleased songs, as well as segments of an interview. The set will appear on the heels of the March 27 release of two of Warren's albums on CD for the first time - "The Envoy" and "Stand in the Fire: Live at the Roxy" - as well as a digitally remastered version of Warren's first big hit album, "Excitable Boy."

Jordan's immeasurable commitment to asbestos victims and concerned citizens has provided a strong voice that helps ensure that their rights are fairly represented and protected, while raising public awareness about the dangers of asbestos exposure and often-deadly asbestos related diseases.

Asbestos Awareness Day Conference attendees will have the pleasure of hearing Jordan's latest work when he performs on Friday night.

## ***Les Skramstad to be Honored***



### ***Asbestos Victim to be Posthumously Recognized at Third Annual Asbestos Awareness Day Conference.***

Asbestos victim Les Skramstad will be posthumously honored with the Alan Reinstein Memorial Award. Les was a Montana miner who lost his eleven year battle to diseases caused by asbestos on January 21, 2007 at age 70.

On March 31st, Les will be honored for his unwavering commitment to justice and asbestos disease awareness at the 3rd Annual Asbestos Awareness Day Conference in Philadelphia. He remained a beacon of hope and truth for nearly fifty years, even during his battle with asbestosis and mesothelioma. Les worked as a sweeper at Zonolite, a vermiculite mine in Libby, Montana for three years.

ADAO is pleased to honor Les Skramstad with the Alan Reinstein Memorial Award. Les not only fought a deadly asbestos disease, but also worked for decades to raise awareness about its dangers. We will always remember him as we continue our fight to prevent diseases caused by deadly asbestos fibers. Les always said, "This didn't 'happen' to us, this was 'done' to us."

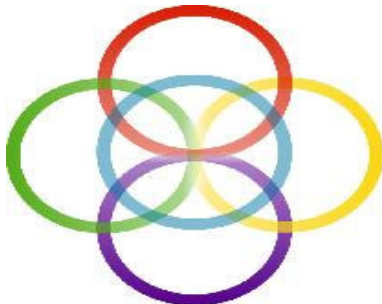
In honor of Les, his sister and brother-in-law, Diane and Will Walter have established a website [HERE](#)

Les has been honored for his advocacy around the world. You can read the article printed in the Missoulian [HERE](#)

United States Senator Max Baucus pays tribute to Les Skramstad on the Senate Floor. Read the statement [HERE](#)

The Alan Reinstein Memorial Award was created in honor of Alan Reinstein who served as the former President of ADAO and activist before his death in early 2006 of mesothelioma, an asbestos-related disease.

## **3rd Annual Asbestos Awareness Day Conference**



**ASBESTOS AWARENESS DAY**  
**AWARENESS PREVENTION**  
**REMEMBRANCE UNITY**  
**0 4 . 0 1 . 2 0 0 7**  
**Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization™**

Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization's 3rd Annual Asbestos Awareness Day Conference, Global Mission: Call To Action To Prevent, Detect and Treat Asbestos-Related Diseases & Trauma, is to be held on March 31st and April 1st 2007, at the Drexel University College of Medicine, 245 North 15th Street, in Philadelphia, PA. This conference is made possible with the support and collaborative efforts of the Drexel University School of Public Health and the International Ban Asbestos Secretariat (IBAS).

### **Friday, March 30th**

**“Meet and Greet” and Pre- Registration**  
**(registered conference attendees only)**

Jordan Zevon, ADAO National Spokesperson performs  
 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM  
 Philadelphia Marriott Downtown 1201 Market Street

### **Saturday, March 31st**

Conference Registration 8:00 AM – 8:45 AM  
 Conference 8:45 AM – 5:15 PM  
 Drexel University College of Medicine  
 Geary Auditorium B, 245 North 15th Street

### **Sunday, April 1st**

Remembrance Service 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM  
 Drexel University College of Medicine  
 Hahnemann Hospital, Stiles Hall, 345 North 15th Street

On Sunday, April 1st, we will honor and remember asbestos victims and their families during a Remembrance Brunch from 9:30 – 11:30. Contact [AAD@asbestosdiseaseawareness.org](mailto:AAD@asbestosdiseaseawareness.org) to order your \$25.00 ticket or for more information.

The agenda and registration information are available online [HERE](#)

INVITE YOUR MEDICAL TEAM AND ATTORNEY TO THE 3RD ANNUAL ASBESTOS AWARENESS DAY CONFERENCE – it's easy, just click [HERE](#) to send an invitational letter.

Your attorneys are also invited to place a tribute for your loved one [HERE](#)

### **2007 FamilyTribute Form**

Please help us commemorate your loved one or friend, who has died of asbestos disease, or honor someone who has been afflicted with it, by placing a tribute in our conference program. Or perhaps you may want to include a tribute, just because you care. Your tributes will help ensure that asbestos victims will never be forgotten, while helping ADAO carry out it's mission. Tributes can include pictures, poems, notes, or any reflection you would like to share.

Questions? Contact Lee or Marsha at: [AAD@asbestosdiseaseawareness.org](mailto:AAD@asbestosdiseaseawareness.org)

Tribute forms can be obtained [HERE](#)

To view a Tribute eCard, go [HERE](#)

### **URGENT: TO ANYONE IN NEW YORK ON OR AFTER 9/11**

Time is running out for people to register to preserve the right to file for 9/11-related workers' compensation. The final registration deadline is August 14, 2007.

By registering, workers and volunteers who may have been exposed to contaminants such as asbestos, which can cause illness after the passage of years or decades, will retain the right to file a compensation claim no matter when a 9/11-related condition becomes manifest.

People who performed any rescue, recovery or cleanup work after 9/11 are living in all 50 states (and in many foreign countries.) Many of them are unaware that they are at risk of developing 9/11-related disorders. Many are also unaware that by registering before August 14, they can protect their right to free healthcare if they ever develop a 9/11-related illness.

There is no residency or citizenship requirement to register with the New York Workers' Compensation Board for 9/11- related compensation. If a worker or volunteer is eligible, it does not matter where he or she now lives. One does not need to be a citizen to register.

The New York Committee for Occupational Safety and Health has established a hotline and a website to promote registration. People can go [HERE](#) to learn about the eligibility requirements and registration procedure or they can call the toll-free, 24-hour hotline, 1-866-WTC-2556.

### **Important Links**

- View the ADAO ["Survivor" Video](#)
- Find an [ADAO Representative](#)

- Find [Educational Resources](#)
- Find [Patient/Caregiver Support](#)
- View "Asbestos Kills" [Slideshow](#)
- Make a [Donation](#)
- [Contact ADAO](#)

### **Note From the Editor**

Should you have a problem seeing the images, please be sure you have "images enabled" on your computer. Please direct any questions or comments regarding the newsletter to [Herman@AsbestosDiseaseAwareness.org](mailto:Herman@AsbestosDiseaseAwareness.org)

### **Purchase Wristband and DVD**



### **ADAO WRISTBAND**

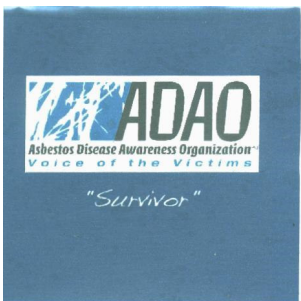


Show your support of Asbestos Awareness and help keep ADAO alive by purchasing an official ADAO "Asbestos Awareness" blue wristband, Today.

**USD \$5.00 USD**



### **ADAO SURVIVOR DVD**



Though our 60 second "Survivor" commercial was created primarily for web distribution, we have had numerous DVD requests. We, now have them available.. Whether for your own personal use, as a training tool or just to show your support for ADAO. Order your copy Today.

**USD \$10.00 USD**



email: [info@asbestosdiseaseawareness.org](mailto:info@asbestosdiseaseawareness.org)  
 phone: 310-437-3886  
 web: <http://www.asbestosdiseaseawareness.org>



Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization is a registered 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization | 1525 Aviation Blvd.  
 Suite 318 | Redondo Beach | CA | 90278