



IT BEARS MENTIONING.....

March 2003

CHICAGO BEARS FAN CONVENTION ATTRACTS NFL STARS OF TOMORROW

The 6th Annual Chicago Bears Fan Convention attracted loyal fans from throughout Illinois, plus almost all 49 other states and several different countries. Many of these fans were youngsters who dream of the chance to wear a Chicago Bears uniform someday. These

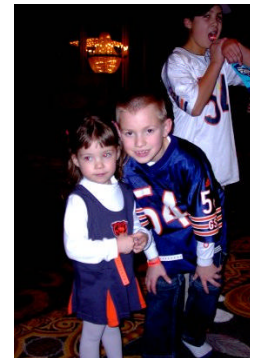


children had an opportunity to show their stuff and learn some new moves in the Cingular Kid Zone over the weekend.



This area provided various activities for children, including an inflatable games area, skills competitions, "kids only" seminars, and organized youth football clinics. The youth clinics were run by Dunbar High School football players - the 2002 Chicago public league champions.


The Dunbar players showed the boys and girls various football-related drills and activities, and put them through a series of conditioning exercises. On Saturday afternoon, Bears play-by-play radio announcer Jeff Joniak joined the kids as the emcee for a question and answer session with Marty Booker, Mike Green and Brad Maynard. The children asked the players in-depth, probing questions such as



"Which of the three of you is the youngest?" "Which one of you makes the most money?" and "If just the three of you were playing against a whole team, who would be the best player?" Another community-related feature at the Convention was an Organ Donation booth, so fans could sign the back of their driver's licenses to designate themselves as organ donors. Also, Connie Payton conducted a seminar explaining the positive work of the Walter & Connie Payton Foundation, and how she is continuing



to support the initiatives and causes that were so important to Walter. In addition, the Convention's Opening Ceremonies included a tribute to the 2002 Chicago Bears Inner City Flag Football Champions.....Madden Park. The winning players were honored by Bears President/CEO Ted Phillips and were applauded by thousands of Bears fans as they displayed their championship trophy.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

Phillip Daniels....March 4, 1973
Chris Demaree....March 12, 1980
David Terrell....March 13, 1979
Brian Fletcher....March 23, 1979

CONGRATULATIONS MADDEN PARK!

Three cheers for the Madden Park flag football team for capturing the 2002 Inner City Flag Football Championship last year. This 16-team league is available to

children, ages 9-12, who live in public housing in Chicago. The fighting Madden Park team not only won the league championship in 2002, but they did it without losing a game all season. The league

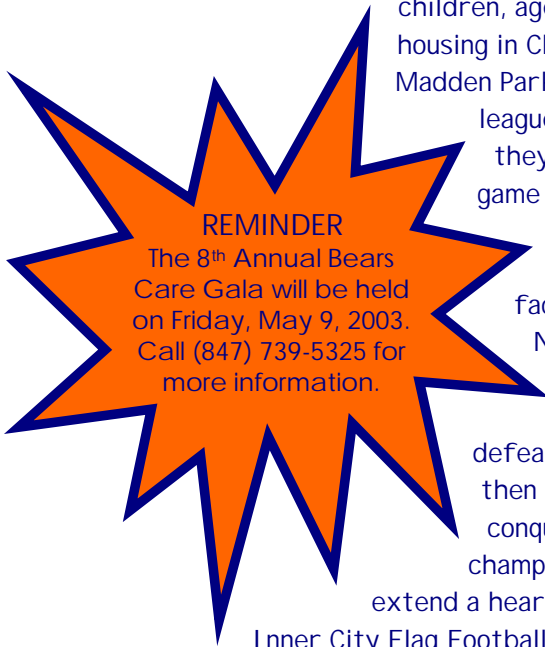
finals took place at Halas Hall (the Bears training facility in Lake Forest) in late November, where the top

four teams in the league squared off for the title. In the first round of play, LeClaire Park

defeated Kennicott Park and Madden Park bested Williams Park. Madden Park then had their hands full in the championship game, but they were able to

conquer LeClaire Park by a score of 42-30. This victory earned them the championship title and the honor of an undefeated season. The Chicago Bears

extend a heartfelt "Congratulations" to Madden Park and to all the players in the 2002 Inner City Flag Football League!



REMINDER

The 8th Annual Bears Care Gala will be held on Friday, May 9, 2003. Call (847) 739-5325 for more information.

CALLING ALL FUTURE CHICAGO BEARS....

In order to make it in the pros, football players must learn the proper fundamentals at an early age. That is why the Chicago Bears recently introduced our new Youth Football Camps. These non-contact camps are offered in the spring and summer to children ages 6-15. College and high school coaches will lead the camps, and Bears Heroes - men who proudly wore the Bears orange and blue - will provide supporting instruction. Five spring and ten summer locations are available during 2003. Participants have a choice of attending a weekly skill development camp (spring), a five-day camp

(summer) or both. For more information, please call (312) 226-7776 or log on to

www.chicagobears.com and click on the Bears head/"Chicago Bears Youth Football Camps" logo (as shown here) on the main page. This will connect you to the Chicago Bears Youth Football Camps web site. And don't delay...it's never too early for your child to start preparing for that chance to secure a roster spot with the Chicago Bears!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR.....

April 21, 2003	Spring sessions for the Chicago Bears Youth Football Camps begin
April 26-27, 2003	NFL Draft
May 1-4, 2003	Chicago Bears Mini-Camp
May 9, 2003	8 th Annual Bears Care Gala



AND NOW FOR SOME PLAYER NEWS.....

Three Chicago Bears players.....Marty Booker, Olin Kreutz and Brian Urlacher.....were voted to the NFL Pro Bowl this past year. After a week of practice (and we're sure some sun and fun) in Honolulu, these three Bears joined their fellow NFC teammates and took the field on February 2 against their AFC rivals. Despite a hard-fought battle, the NFC lost the game - and bragging rights - to the AFC by a score of 45-20.

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