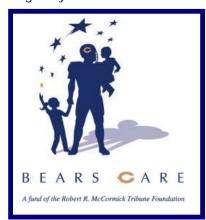


IT BEARS MENTIONING....

April 2003

WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH AN EXTRA \$5,000 IN CASH?

Who would be your guest if you won a trip for two to Super Bowl XXXVIII in Houston? Where would you go if you won two business class tickets to anywhere in the world United Airlines flies? You could be in



the position to make one of these tough decisions if your name is selected during the "Super Prize" raffle drawing at the 8th annual Bears Care Gala. These and many other outstanding prizes will be given away throughout the evening, and the winner does not need to be present at the Gala in order to claim a prize. But you can't win if you don't buy a ticket! Raffle tickets are \$50 each or five tickets for \$200. And the best news is, your purchase of raffle tickets will help score a victory in the battle against breast and ovarian cancer.

Bears Care, the charitable arm of the Chicago Bears and a fund of the Robert R. McCormick Tribune Foundation, is hosting the 8th annual Bears

Care Gala on May 9, 2003. This elegant black-tie event, "Brian's Song...So That Others May Live To

Sing," is in memory of former Chicago Bear, Brian Piccolo, who died of cancer at the age of 26. Proceeds from the Gala will support breast and ovarian cancer research and treatment programs at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, Northwestern Memorial Hospital, and Cook County Hospital.

If you are interested in purchasing raffle tickets or if you would like to make a donation to Bears Care, please make checks payable to Bears Care and send to: Bears Care Raffle, 1000



Football Drive, Lake Forest, IL 60045. Credit card orders may be mailed to the same address or faxed to (847) 739-5625. Please contact the Bears Care office at (847) 739-5325 for additional information.



TOUCHDOWNS AROUND TOWN

When Chris Zorich was drafted in the second round of the 1991 NFL Draft, the Chicago Bears knew they were getting a talented player with immeasurable character and determination. What the residents of Chicago probably did not know at the time was that they were getting a dedicated philanthropist who would continue to give back to the Chicago community - long after his playing days were over. The Christopher Zorich Foundation was established in 1993, and is committed to the

realization of human potential - mind, body and spirit. The Foundation provides assistance and opportunities to disadvantaged Chicagoans, which fosters a sense of caring and fellowship, crossing all racial, religious, economic and social boundaries. Since its inception, the Christopher Zorich Foundation's various programs have served over 80,000 individuals and have raised in excess of \$500,000 to help support this mission. For more information, please log on to www.chriszorich.org.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Chicago Bears on-field performance has always been well chronicled by the Chicagoland media outlets throughout every football season and off-season. However, most people do not realize the tremendous difference that the team and our players make off-the-field each year. To that end, we recently produced the Chicago Bears 2003 Report to the Community titled Tackling the Needs of Chicago. This publication highlights the innumerable charitable programs, events, and initiatives that the Chicago Bears directed during 2002 and continue to lead on an annual basis.



If you did not yet receive a copy of the 2003 Report to the Community, please contact the Chicago Bears Community Relations department at (847) 295-6600 or carolineg@bears.nfl.com, and we will be happy to send you a copy.

COACHES OF THE GRIDIRON SWING THEIR NINE IRONS

The National Football League Coaches Association (NFLCA) is hosting the inaugural "Bears Coaches Classic" at Midlane Country Club on Monday, May 12, 2003, and you are invited to join the



festivities. This is a great opportunity to help the NFLCA raise money for the Children's First Fund (the Chicago Public Schools' foundation) - and have a lot of fun in the meantime.

The NFLCA is a non-profit corporation that advocates for the needs of all NFL coaches and is committed to the preservation and the development of athletic excellence. The NFLCA

Coaches Assistance Fund is a 501 C-3 charity administered by the NFLCA for

retired coaches in dire need of financial help with medical or living expenses. The Coaches Assistance Fund is earmarked for retired coaches who have not benefited from the type of salary, medical, and retirement plan improvements provided to NFL Coaches during the past 10 years due to the efforts of the NFLCA. Unfortunately, there are a significant number of retired NFL coaches who helped build the game of football who are now struggling financially due to the effect of inadequate retirement and medical programs when they were in the NFL. In addition, a portion of the proceeds from this golf event will also be donated to Chicago Public Schools athletic programs.

You have the opportunity to join your favorite Chicago Bears

coaches at Midlane Country Club on May 12, 2003 for this fun event - either as a player or a sponsor. Please visit www.NFLCoaches.com and click on the "NFLCA Golf Page" link (located near the bottom of the home page) for more details on this fun event.

Coaches Scheduled to Attend:

Vance Bedford - Defensive Backs Greg Blache - Defensive Coordinator Larry Brooks - Defensive Line Chuck Bullough - Def. Quality Control Pete Carmichal - Offensive Assistant Charlie Coiner - Off. Quality Control Patrick Flaherty - Tight Ends Todd Haley - Wide Receivers Dick Jauron - Head Coach Steve Little - Assistant Linebackers Gary Moeller - Linebackers Earle Mosley - Running Backs Greg Olson - Quarterbacks John Shoop - Offensive Coordinator Mike Sweatman - Special Teams Bob Wylie - Offensive Line

RECOGNIZING THOSE WHO HELP



Volunteers are the most important assets to any charitable organization. The Chicago Bears Community Quarterback Award: Remembering Walter Payton recognizes outstanding volunteers in the Chicago area and issues grants to the charitable organizations that they serve. This program honors individuals who exemplify leadership, dedication, and a commitment to improving the communities in which they live through volunteerism. Since the program's inception in 2000, over \$75,000 in grants have been issued to not-for-profit organizations served by dedicated volunteers.

In the near future, the Chicago Bears will distribute applications for the Community Quarterback Award. All residents in the Chicago area, age 16 and over, who provide volunteer services for nonprofit (501(c)(3) or 509) organizations are eligible for nomination. Nominees may only serve in a volunteer capacity and may not receive any compensation - monetary or otherwise - for their efforts.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR.....

April 21, 2003

April 26-27, 2003 May 1-4, 2003 May 9, 2003 Spring sessions for the Chicago Bears Youth Football Camps begin NFL Draft

Chicago Bears Mini-Camp 8th Annual Bears Care Gala

If your charitable organization received an application last year, you will automatically be included on the mailing list again this year. However, if you did not receive a Community Quarterback information package last year and would like to be included this year, please contact the Chicago Bears Community Relations department at (847) 295-6600 or jessicak@bears.nfl.com. You may also check the "Off-The-Field" section of the Chicago Bears web site at www.chicagobears.com for more information.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

Marq Cerqua.....April 3, 1977
Ted Washington.....April 13, 1968
Patrick Mannelly.....April 18, 1975
Demond Clark.....April 20, 1977
Roshaun Matthews....April 22, 1977
Rabih Abdullah.....April 27, 1975
Bobby Gray.....April 30, 1978

BY THE NUMBERS.....

- ▼ The Greater Chicago Food Depository distributes more than 100,000 pounds of food to needy families every day.
- ∨ Special Olympics Illinois supports more than 19,000 athletes annually from communities throughout the state.
- ∨ Bears Care, a fund of the Robert R. McCormick Tribune Foundation, issued grants totaling \$1,066,000 in 2002.
- ∨ In 2002, Clearbrook Center served more than 1,200 children and 400 adults with developmental delays or disabilities.

PLAY FOOTBALL!!!





