

# Chicago District I.A.H.P.E.R.D. Newsletter

## School year ends with fun....

We didn't have a huge turnout. We didn't win our challenge. *But* wow, did we have a lot of fun! On Thursday, June 14, 2007, the Chicago District IAHPERD had an end of school year outing at WhirlyBall, located at 1880 W. Fullerton. We met from 4:30 - 6:30 and enjoyed conversation, food, as well as two lively rounds of WhirlyBall play against another group we challenged while there. They were seasoned players thus they got the best of us as we were beginners. We still had a great time in our efforts to score points. In a third round, we mixed members from both groups between two teams for a final fun fling.

This is definitely for the younger set among our ranks. Those of us with those nagging small issues of bad knees or back problems should come only to cheer and get a great laugh watching the exciting action! Our next social/ sport play will be bowling, basketball, or volleyball before we revisit WhirlyBall.

## Chicago District answers the call....

Elizabeth Mahar of IAHPERD's Advocacy/Governmental Affairs committee contacted Chicago District asking our help with a Health Fair. The event was the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual All Kids and Family Health Fair, presented by State Senator William "Willie" Delgado, State Representatives Luis Arroyo and Cynthia Soto, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Legislative District Health Committee. We agreed to help run activity games for children at the event. The event was held at Mozart Park, 3840 W. Armitage Ave., Chicago, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Friday Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The weather was perfect and the crowd for the day was huge. Working in the Children's Fun Tent, we teamed up with the American Heart Association to provide information and encourage physical activity among the children. After completing a pledge with the AHA the kids were sent to us to take part in a movement activity. Upon completion they were given a jump rope to keep.

Special thanks go out to our President Elect, Cliff Wagner and Taft High School. Cliff arranged to have 20 Taft students and staff members work at the booth assisting in running the activities. They were a great group and worked hard for the day. All of the students were given t-shirts that said "Physical Education grows brain cells." The student's were also provided with lunch tickets. Thanks also go out to IAHPERD members Justy Reed, Martha Lushniak, Paula Purdue, Beth Mahar, Cliff Wagner, and Elaine Jones who spent time helping at the booth.

State Senator Delgado visited with us and gave his thanks for our involvement. He also posed for pictures with some of the Taft students, IAHPERD members, and the American Hospital Association representatives.

## CPDUs....

I still have forms for many of you who attended our meetings this past year and were eligible for CPDUs. Please return the pink evaluation forms to our mailing address of Chicago Dist. IAHPERD, P.O. Box 438703, Chicago, IL. 60643. I will then be able to send your white form to you.

## Save these dates....

Saturday, **September 15<sup>th</sup>** = next Chicago District meeting at Giordano's of Greektown, 815 West Van Buren, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. We need you there!

Saturday, **September 29<sup>th</sup>** = Chicago District awards banquet is set for 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at Blackie's, 755 S. Clark Street.

**November 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, 2007** = State Convention at Pheasant Run Resort. Submit to your school a request to attend now! Chicago District elects new officers then.