



# HAWK TALK

October 2008

Parents,

As the season reaches the halfway mark, we are very happy with all of our teams. Football has several teams that are in first place and the cheer squads all just took first place at their first cheer competition. We are getting several compliments on how disciplined our teams are. Overall other towns are very impressed with our program. ALL of the credit goes to the coaches who spend their free time with your children. THANK YOU AGAIN COACHES!!

The weekend of October 25th will be a busy one. Cheer is entering into the Conant Spirit Spectacular and the boys start the first round of the playoffs. The 25th will be an exciting day for the Hawks!

October 26th, the Tiny Mite and Mitey Mite cheer will be entering the Royal Gala cheer competition held at Bolingbrook High School. They will have Disney Princesses and Princes and other fun things for the cheerleaders to do while they are there.

October 25th and 26th we are hosting the "**Hawk Invite**" football tournament for Mitey Mites. This is a fundraiser that will be used for travel if we have teams who qualify. Parents, if you have some free time we will need help in the concession stand both days! Parents have asked us what they can do to help raise money for travel--YOU CAN VOLUNTEER! See your team Moms.

**Lights update:** Lights at the field is not going to happen this year. All teams, Mitey Mite and up, will be practicing at Canon Crossings Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 6:00-8:00pm. Canon Crossings is located at 59 and Shoe Factory Roads. Tiny Mites will continue to practice at Hillcrest Field. Your coaches will give you your days and times.

See you at the games---GO HAWKS!!

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## IMPORTANT DATES

October 12 – Cheer Competition  
Annual Dance

October 25/26 – Football Playoffs Start

October 25/26 – Hawks Invite - Mitey Mite Competition

October 26 – Royal Gala Cheer Competition – Tiny Mites and Mitey Mites

November 16 – Regional Cheer Competition

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## HOMECOMING KING AND QUEEN

Congratulations to Matthew Mednus and Jessica Girardi! They were crowned Homecoming King and Queen at this year's homecoming. In order to be chosen, you have to have been with the Hawks at least 3 years, be in 8<sup>th</sup> grade, and write an essay on why you should be chosen as Homecoming King or Queen.

Thank you to Angie Gregory for making the great sashes for them to wear.



## DANCE

This year's Hoffman Estates Athletic Association Annual Dance will be held on October 12<sup>th</sup> from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served at a cost and will include hot dogs, chips, and soda. The dance will be held at Poplar Creek Country Club, located on Poplar Creek Drive right off Moon Lake Blvd.

Admission is \$5.00 per person. Parents accompanying their children will be charged the admission price. Unaccompanied children **MUST** bring the permission slip to be admitted. There will be permission slips available at the door.

We do need chaperones (they are admitted free). We would like to have 3 per team. If you would like to volunteer, please call **Wendy Freeman @ (847) 310-0194 or (708) 646-7724**. Chaperones will be assigned duties such as bathroom patrol, monitoring the hallways, security, monitoring the phone, and other such necessary duties.



## ACTION SHOTS

Action Shots will be at the home field for our games on October 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> to take pictures. Pictures can be viewed and ordered right at the field.



## **LITTLE SCHOLARS**

Congratulations to the following football players and cheerleaders that have qualified to have their Little Scholars applications sent it to the Region. In order to be a Pop Warner Little Scholar, they must have been in 4<sup>th</sup> grade or higher last year, have a minimum of 94% average, and have participated in something other than sports throughout the previous year.

James Alford-Golojuch  
Janae Allen  
Nicole Amato  
Jalen Anderson  
Liam Armstrong  
Stephen Bonilla  
William Cage  
Colton Comstock  
Michael Constantino  
Brianna Davenport  
Rainier Del Rosario  
Jordan Ehlers  
Marisa Falco  
Justin Frame  
Molly Girard  
Jessica Girardi  
Piotr Groszek  
Ryan Hackbarth

Jeremy Halverson  
Makena Heffernan  
Haley Henson  
Zachary Hommowun  
Gabrielle Horabik  
Justice Johnson  
Michael Jones  
Sarah Kaminsky  
Yahiya Khan  
Brendan Kramp  
Stephen Kuizin  
Alexis Lane  
John Levitt  
Yaritza Luna  
Timothy Marinoff  
Jeffrey Mayes  
Ryan Michels  
William Murphy

Joshua Novelli  
Nathan Otto  
Kunjal Patel  
Jessica Potempa  
Austin Pye  
Trevor Pye  
Nico Quirindongo  
Kyle Robinson  
Kathryn Sall  
Xavier Sanchez  
Brian Smith  
Steven Tarallo  
Tyler Teele  
Alexa Van Dike  
Amanda Warda  
Kelsey Wehunt  
Caitlyn Welsh  
Adina Williams



## **RAFFLE WINNERS**

And the winners are.....

First Place \$500 - Martin Hubert  
Second - \$300 - Deb Dimple  
Third - \$200 - Pete Mirkovich  
Fourth Place - \$50 Winners:

Acevedo  
Salencia Boykin  
Barb Gilleran  
Laura Phillips

Tyronne Gary  
Georgia Bumpers  
Kathy Patrick  
Dottie Beck

Alvin Abarro  
Debbie Potempa



## **Hawks Merchandise**

Check out the merchandise link on the website! Order sweatshirts, t-shirts, baseball caps, bandanas, beanie caps, ladies tank tops, kids apparel, jackets, vests, sweatpants, shorts, blankets, even beach towels and aprons! Support your team and look great this season!

## [www.hoffmanhawks.org](http://www.hoffmanhawks.org)

Remember to visit the website often as that is where most of our information is posted. You will start seeing coupons from our sponsors at the back of the newsletter. This allows exposure for those businesses that support us. If you know of anyone that wants to get involved-the form is attached. Football camp info is up on the website also.



## YEARBOOK

There is now a bin inside the concession stand where everyone can drop off pictures or CDs for the yearbook. It will be checked regularly. We are looking for any pictures that anyone has from the 4th of July, including the parade and our booth at the fest. Please drop them in the bin as soon as you can. You can also hand pictures or CD's directly to Marina Straussburger. She is at the home field most nights during practice. She also accepts submissions by email at [mstrass438@aol.com](mailto:mstrass438@aol.com).

Also, each team (football and cheer) needs to have at least one to two parents to be its "Team Photographers." Each team needs to find at least one as soon as possible so that we can start getting pictures of practices and events as they come up. No fancy equipment or experience is necessary - just a basic digital camera and the willingness to help out. Marina can coach you on the types of shots she will need for the yearbook. If you are interested, please contact your team mom or email Marina this week.



## General Meetings

The General Meetings will continue to be on the third Tuesday of the month at 8:00 pm. The location is at the Hoffman Estates Park District Community Center and Ice Arena (formerly known as Blackhawk). This month's meeting is cancelled. The next meeting is Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:00pm.

## Become a Hawk Volunteer

Thank you to all that volunteered their time this past season. The Hoffman Estates Athletic Association is run entirely by volunteers from our community. Parent participation is essential to the survival of our program. Board members, coaches, and parents work hard so that our children have a safe environment in which to make life-long friends.

The greatest treasure we have is our children. As adults, we must ensure that these young people are able to grow up happy, healthy, and above all, safe. Whether they are our children, or the children of others, each of us has a responsibility to protect them. They are our future, and an endless source of joy.

## **Fundraising**

Be sure to check out the magazine fundraiser on our website. Our online fundraising store has over 650 of the most popular magazine titles at up to 85% off newsstands prices. Purchase or renew your favorite magazine subscriptions and 40% of your purchase will go directly to our cause!

### **You can invite friends and family to help:**

Send emails to your friends and family inviting them to purchase their magazine subscriptions online to help support a great cause.

**Escrip** - We have also started a new fundraiser called *escrip*. Participating business partners contribute a percentage of your grocery loyalty, debit, and credit card purchases to HEAA. Visit [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com) to see a complete list of participants and to sign up. Our group ID is 500017098.

- You register one or more of your existing cards for use in the program.
- Participating merchants will make contributions to HEAA based on purchases made by you, just by using the cards you have registered.
- Your purchases are tracked and available to you online, allowing you to see just how much you are earning on your child's behalf.



## **Healthy Hawks Corner**

### ***Eleven Ways to Be a Successful Youth Sports Parent***

1. Make sure your children know that--win or lose--you love them and are not disappointed with their performance.
2. Be realistic about your child's physical ability.
3. Help your child set realistic goals.
4. Emphasize improved performance, not winning.
5. Positively reinforce improved skills.
6. Don't relive your own athletic past through your child.
7. Provide a safe environment for training and competition. This includes proper training methods and use of equipment.
8. Control your own emotions at games and events. Don't yell at other players, coaches, or officials.
9. Be a cheerleader for your child and the other children on the team.
10. Respect your child's coaches. Communicate openly with them. If you disagree with their approach, discuss it with them.
11. Be a positive role model. Enjoy sports yourself. Set your own goals. Live a healthy lifestyle.





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**SEE YOU AT OUR NEXT  
GENERAL MEETING:  
Tuesday, Oct 21st, 2008  
8:00 p.m. @ HEPDCCIA/Blackhawk**



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### -----GET CONNECTED-----

H.E.A.A. Website  
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Regional Website  
[www.midamericapopwarner.com](http://www.midamericapopwarner.com)

National Website  
[www.popwarner.com](http://www.popwarner.com)

Check the HEAA website often for updates