

Dream Flite 2004...A Big Hit! Brian Knapp

Thanks to all of those who helped out or participated in this year's Dream Flite which departed ORD on Apr. 28 with a plane full of happy kids with smiles and cheers.

This year's Dream Flite was themed "Take Me Out to the Ballgame." The Dream Kids were the "Wings" who played the volunteers "Dreamers" and won 46 - 0. Spectators and kids were able to munch on hot dogs, drinks and Cracker Jack as volunteer "vendors" worked the bleachers handing them out.

The Dream Flite departed with the usual "water cannon salute." Once again, spectators were able to participate. Because of strong prevailing winds, the water spray blew directly into the crowd waving the plane goodbye on the ramp. Everyone was unexpectedly treated to a cool shower.

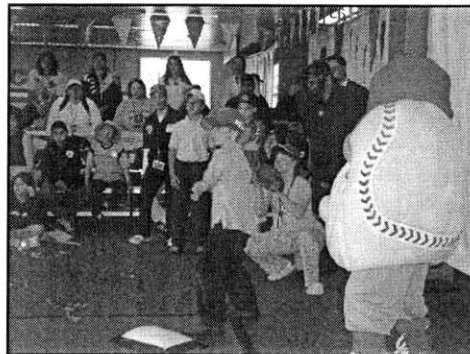
A special thanks to **Linda Emerick** who once again, made this Dream Flite another great success. Congratulations goes to all Chicago employees. Every department had volunteer representatives to make this dream a reality.



Dream Flite Volunteers



Spectators cheer on the "Wings" team



A batter for the "Wings" prepares to swing



The winning "Wings" baseball team.

Additional photos of the Dream Flite are at <http://ord.aa.com>