



Burlington Bees

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Bees Make Contribution to Grade A Plus

Burlington, IA (October 24, 2007) – The Burlington Bees and the Midwest League are proud to support Red Ribbon Week and the overall work of Grade A Plus with a \$558 contribution. Grade A Plus Director Michelle Williams was at Community Field today to accept the money.

The money for this contribution was made available through the Midwest League office. At the end of each season, the MWL office takes all of the fine money it collected from players and coaches during the year for violations of the on-field behavioral policy and divides it evenly among its 14 teams. Each team then has the opportunity to give that money to a local non-profit organization in its own community. Fines are collected each time a player, manager, or coach is ejected from a Midwest League game for any reason.

“On behalf of our staff and the Midwest League, we’re proud to make this contribution to Grade A Plus,” Bees General Manager Chuck Brockett said. “The volunteers for Grade A Plus provide a valuable service to our community and we want to help them continue to make a positive impact on the kids and families in the area that make up such an important part of our fan base. I’d like to thank the Midwest League for continuing this terrific program and giving us the money in time to make this contribution as part of the Red Ribbon Week festivities.”

“On behalf of the coalition of Grade A Plus, we are very grateful to the Burlington Bees for this contribution,” Williams said. “We appreciate the dedication of the Bees management, staff, and players to create a healthy community and healthy youth.”

The Midwest League established this program seven years ago and since its inception, each team has been able to contribute nearly \$6,500 to groups in their community. In addition to Grade A Plus, the other groups that the Bees have contributed to are: Special Olympics, the YMCA Youth Sports programs, the YWCA Battered Women’s Shelter, Younhouse Family Services, Hope Haven, Alcohol & Drug Dependency Services (ADDs), and the American Cancer Society.

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