

## UWRI and RIASPA treat 90 children to barbecue and PawSox game



To boost awareness of the key role summer learning plays in helping children retain knowledge from the previous school year, United Way of Rhode Island (UWRI) and the Rhode Island Afterschool Plus Alliance (RIASPA) partnered to treat nearly 90 children from Pawtucket, Central Falls and Woonsocket to Thursday night's game at McCoy Stadium between the Pawtucket Red Sox and Buffalo Bisons and a pre-game barbecue. The children are all participants of the Pawtucket COZ and Woonsocket's Connecting for Children and Families summer learning programs. Top, Paws, the PawSox's mascot, takes time out for a group picture with some of the students and staffers. Left, Noah Silveira, a 10-year-old student who is with Woonsocket's Connecting for Children and Families, won the drawing to throw out the first pitch of Thursday night's game.

Submitted photos

