



## **JUST A DAY AT THE BEACH?**

**This family is enjoying their day at Illinois Beach State Park while an off-shore dredging operation stirs up the lake's bottom. This sand will become beach "nourishment" to offset the erosion at the park that was created when North Point Marina was built. IDNR is required replace eroded sand caused by their own marina.**

**Unfortunately, these people are jeopardizing their health through unwitting exposure to the microscopic asbestos in the sand. The dangers are also on Illinois beaches southward to Chicago. Do you think they would be here if they knew that this sand contains such a deadly mix that could cause them to develop asbestosis or mesothelioma? If this were anywhere else, public access would be prohibited by government officials. Why is it allowed here?**

**For further information about the symptoms and causes of asbestosis and mesothelioma, look at the links in our News Room.**