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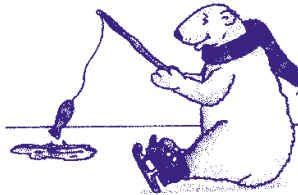
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Youth Ice Fishing Contest being held on February 8, 2003

by Lion Don MacGillivray, Rochester '76 Lions Club

The Rochester '76 Lions Club will be hosting their fifth annual Youth Ice Fishing Contest from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 8, 2003 at Foster Arends Park in Rochester. While last year's event had to be canceled because of thin ice it looks like we are off to a good start on making ice this year.

The event is open to all youth under the age of 16. Bait is furnished and holes will be predrilled. Contestants must provide their own tackle and parental supervision is required. Ice houses/shelters are not allowed.



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Registration will be on site and a donation of \$5.00 per contestant is requested as an entry fee. Prizes will be awarded for largest fish by age categories. Catch and release is encouraged.

In addition to the ice fishing, planned activities include a hot air balloon lift off, sled dog demonstrations, wagon rides, demonstrations by the U. S. Army Reserve and prize drawings. Refreshments will be available on site.

An additional event is being added this year. The '76 Lions Club is cooperating with the Law Enforcement Torch Run of Olmsted County who will hold their 2nd Annual Polar Plunge for Special Olympics on the same day. This event raises funds for Special Olympics though pledges to the "Plungers" and is a fun

event as a spectator or a "Plunger." The Plunge will occur at 1:30 p.m. with some demonstrations by the Rochester Dive Team and Olmsted County Sheriffs Rescue Team preceding. Registration begins at 10:00 a.m. on site. The expansion of the winter activities which may also include the Frozen Goose Relay by the Optimist Club will be recognized by the Mayor of Rochester with a proclamation naming that day as Winterfest Day.

Lions are encouraged to consider a "plunge" for Special Olympics. Registration forms for the Plunge and additional information on the Plunge or Ice Fishing can be obtained through Lion Don MacGillivray in Rochester. Phone. 507-282-2819 or email at <dmacgillivray@charter.net>.

Mid-Winter club and individual check list...

- This is a family event—have you invited them?
- Did you invite the family members of the deceased for the Friday evening memorial service?
- Bring your Club Banner to hang around the pool.
- Bring three copies of Club newsletter for judging by Friday, January 31, 2003.
- Bring your new club pin for judging by Friday, Jan. 31, 2003.
- Bring your club traveling banner by Friday, Jan. 31, 2003.
- Submit your web site address to Lion Dave Kulas or Lion Fred Pfeiffer.
- Bringing your Melvin Jones winners for plaque presentation at the Governor's banquet, Saturday evening.
- Have you selected your voting representatives? One vote for every 10 members (rounded). 25 members = 3 votes.