

News Release

5th Annual Justin Knebel Memorial Ice Fishing Tourney Slated for Saturday, February 7, 2015

By Elizabeth Tollefson on Friday, January 9, 2015 Fish for prizes and support scholarships during the 5th Annual Justin Knebel Memorial Ice

Fishing Tournament to be held Saturday, February 7, 2015. The tournament, which supports scholarships at the University of Minnesota Crookston, will be held at Zippel Bay Resort on Lake of the Woods, Williams, Minn. Tickets are available for \$20 by contacting Alysa Tulibaski at 701-215-4300. Tickets are also available at Zippel Bay Resort, 6080 39th St. NW, Williams, Minn., 800-222-2537.

Raffle tickets also are available for \$5 for a chance to win prizes including the grand prize of a 2015 Lil' Skidder Skid Fish house, compliments of Troy Foss and Big Bite Manufacturing of Greenbush, Minn. Raffle tickets will be sold until 1:30 p.m. the day of the tournament.

Registration, limited to the first 150, begins at 9:30 am. on the ice at the tournament site with fishing from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to the first person to catch a fish, along with prizes for the largest walleye, northern, sauger, perch and other species caught during the tournament. The registration fee also includes a raffle ticket and road access fee. All proceeds from the tournament support the Justin Knebel Memorial Scholarship Fund at the U of M Crookston.

The Justin Knebel Memorial Ice Fishing Tournament corporate sponsors are Big Bite Manufacturing, Zippel Bay Resort, and Streiff Sporting Goods in Warroad, Minn. A number of other businesses in Northwest Minnesota support the tournament through the donations of prizes and monetary support.

Background

Justin Knebel, who played basketball for the U of M, Crookston Golden Eagles, grew up in Warroad, Minn., graduating from Warroad High School in 2001. A talented athlete, he lettered in basketball, cross country, and track. After graduation, he attended the University of Minnesota, Crookston where he played basketball as a point guard for the Golden Eagles. He was the ultimate team player working hard on the court and in the classroom.

Besides his passion for playing basketball, Knebel loved the Warroad area and outdoor sports in Minnesota, making the ice fishing tournament an apt tribute to the memory of this outstanding student-athlete. For more information on the tournament, visit www.uncrookston.edu/justinknebel.

Members of the planning committee for the event include Garret Kollin, Corby Kemmer, Stephanie Helgeson, Amber Bailey, Rose Ulseth, and Alysa Tulibaski.

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