



**WHO IS STEVEN?**  
(Citizens Bank Park on the Winter Classic Ice)

Steven Potter is an energetic, fun 14-year old teenager who lives with Type 3 Spinal Muscular Atrophy. SMA is a recessive genetic neuromuscular disease that destroys the nerves that control voluntary movement, which affects sitting, crawling, walking, and even swallowing. It is the number one genetic killer of children under the age of two and 50% of those diagnosed before the age of two will not celebrate their second birthday. One of 38 people are carriers of the SMA gene and SMA can strike anyone of any age or ethnicity.

Steven is a 9<sup>th</sup> grade student at Haddon Township High School in Haddon Township, NJ. His favorite sport is playing sled hockey for the Wings Of Steel in Voorhees, NJ. He enjoys playing baseball for the Cherry Hill Challenger Baseball League and bowls for Delran's Special Needs Program. Steven loves hanging out with his friends and loves his music. You will never see him without his headphones.

Steven's family and friends are planning the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual "Steven's Walk" To Drum Out SMA. We have raised over \$150,000 in the past years. Steven is hopeful that this year will bring even more people and more donations in hopes to rid the world of SMA FOREVER....