## Illinois Spoonpluggers

May 11, 2006

Richport YMCA, 7:30PM

Our next meeting will be held at the Richport YMCA on Thursday, May 11, 2006 and we will begin at 7:30PM.

The April meeting was attended by eleven members. This meeting first started with an hour review of the Winter Seminar. Many suggestions and ideas came from this discussion. These thoughts will again be reviewed prior to organizing next year's session. We have included some of the main discussion points below for those that could not attend this meeting.

Also of note, it was unanimously voted upon that those members that volunteered their services to organize and contributed to the execution of the seminar event, would in fact be compensated for their effort.

After the conclusion of the seminar discussion, we then reviewed current fishing reports. Based on these reports, fish are beginning to show but the size and consistency has yet to meet expectation. Lake fished during the reports: Heidecke, Chain of Lakes and LaSalle.

We then had the opportunity to learn from Jerry Hein's year in review. His report included detailed maps, along with a summary of catch by species. Jerry made sure he hit home the point of "never putting words in a fishes mouth". Never assume their location. You need to follow Spoonplugging procedures and let the lures locate the fish on each trip. Thanks Jerry for such a comprehensive report.

Topic of discussion: Fishing reports, early season fishing and its relationship to the weather.

## **Dates for 2006 National Outings**

Leoni Spoonpluggers Outing, Jackson, Michigan, June 20-24, 2006; Land of Lincoln Spoonpluggers, Crab Orchard Reservoir, June 29-July 2, 2006; Michigan Lunker Hunters, Muskegon Outing, July 1923; Northern Indiana Spoonpluggers "Buck Sez" outing August 10-12, 2006; Buck Perry Memorial Outing, September 6-9, 2006 We will pass other dates along as they become available.

