

# Illinois Spoonpluggers

## Newsletter

**Dedicated to the teachings of E.L. "Buck" Perry**  
**The Father of Structure Fishing**

**February, 2008**

The next meeting of the Illinois Spoonpluggers will be on Thursday, February 14, 2008, 7:15 PM at the Elk Grove Village Public Library. Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month.

**1. MEETING SUMMARY** - The January meeting was called to order with 7 members present. Plans for the seminar are well under way and various aspects of planning were discussed at length. A particularly interesting topic centered around "Light Bulb Moments," those times when an on-the-water experience results in a major leap in our progress as a Spoonplugger. We are pleased to hear that John Bales has agreed to give a talk at the seminar, as well.

**2. UPCOMING MEETING** - This month's meeting will include a discussion of the question "What did you learn in your fishing for 2007?" We look forward to hearing some *Year-In-Review* reports at this and upcoming meetings. Of course, we will also continue planning for the Winter Seminar. Questions are to be submitted by Thursday, February 7. Hope you can be there!

**3. CLUB DUES** - If you have not sent in your club dues (\$20) be sure to do so right away. Make the check payable to: JAMES W. TAYLOR (not Illinois Spoonpluggers). The seminar fee for all attendees this year for both pre-registered and walkups is also \$20. If you'd like to write one check to cover your club dues and the seminar fee (total \$40), that's fine.

Mail dues checks to: James W. Taylor  
c/o Illinois Spoonpluggers  
1367 Loch Lomond Drive  
Crystal Lake, IL 60014

**Or** Seminar & Dues (one check) to:  
Phil Szafranski  
1028 Glenlake  
Park Ridge, IL 60068

***Dates received for upcoming National Outings:***

**Illinois Spoonpluggers Winter Seminar, March 15, 2008**

**Bama & Ohio Spoonpluggers, Weiss/Cedar Lakes, AL, April 16-20, 2008**

**Leoni Outing, Jackson, MI, June 11-15, 2008**

**Lunker Hunters Muskegon Outing, July 9-13, 2008**

**Northern Indiana Outing, August 7-9, 2008**

**Buck Perry Memorial Outing, Taylorsville, NC, Sept. 4-9, 2008**

**Visit the Spoonplugger Websites-**  
**Buck's Baits: [buckperry.com](http://buckperry.com)**  
**and [spoonplugger.net](http://spoonplugger.net)**

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# ILLINOIS SPOONPLUGGERS 6th WINTER SEMINAR

March 15, 2008

Elk Grove Village, IL

The Illinois Spoonpluggers will host the 6th Annual Winter Spoonplugging Seminar on Saturday, March 15, 2008 at the Elk Grove Public Library in Elk Grove, Illinois. The seminar will run from 9:00 AM-4:45 PM. The cost will be \$20 per person, and will include coffee, rolls, lunch, and handout materials.

**#1 - TOPICS / QUESTIONS:** All Spoonpluggers who plan to attend are asked to submit **TWO QUESTIONS** they would like discussed by the participants. Questions should refer to actual on-the-water experiences (not hypothetical situations) and pertain to the areas of:

- Mapping and Interpretation
- Weather and Water
- Basic Movement of Fish
- Structure, Breaks, and Breaklines
- Lake Types
- Presentation of Lures
- Tools and Controls
- Mental Aspects

**#2 - REGISTRATION & FEE:** Submit your questions, along with an enclosed check for \$20.00, PAYABLE TO JAMES TAYLOR and mail to: Phil Szafranski, 1028 Glenlake, Park Ridge, IL 60068.

**#3 John Bales** will give a presentation again this year. Last year's presentation was one of the highlights of the seminar. We're looking forward to hearing from him again.

**#4 Phil Szafranski** will be hosting a get together for those attendees coming from out of town on Friday night. You can contact him, if plan on attending, at 847-384-6819, and e-mail at [szafranskil@sbcglobal.net](mailto:szafranskil@sbcglobal.net).

**NOTE – Here's your opportunity to discuss Spoonplugging with experienced Spoonpluggers from around the Midwest. If you've got a question, we'll try to answer it; but we need your input.**

**The deadline to submit written questions for the seminar discussion is Thursday, February 7, 2008.**

**REGISTRATION AT THE DOOR WILL BE \$20**  
**CONTACT:** You may direct inquiries regarding the seminar to...  
**Jim Duplex, Seminar Coordinator**  
**E-mail [jjd82@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jjd82@sbcglobal.net)**  
**Phone: 630-579-9815**

**Registration Form**  
**6th Annual Winter SPOONPLUGGING Seminar**  
**March 15, 2008**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Question #1

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Question #2

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**NOTE: The ILLINOIS SPOONPLUGGERS is a non-profit organization and as such, we are allowed to use the library facilities for a nominal fee. Revenue generated from the seminar covers expenses such as: room rental, printing, handouts, give aways, food, and other miscellaneous items.**

**In order to maintain our nonprofit status with the library board, we are not permitted to conduct any commercial or retail business on the premises; neither in the library or the adjacent parking lot. his means we cannot sell anything or conduct a commercial enterprise on the premises.**

**We ask that All attendees comply with the Elk Grove Village Library policy and refrain from conducting any business that would jeopardize our ability to use these facilities.**