

# Illinois Spoonpluggers Newsletter

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

**January/February, 2009**

## *Happy New Year!!!*

The next meeting of the Illinois Spoonpluggers will be on Thursday, February 12, 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 annual Holiday Party was held in lieu of the December business meeting. The Holiday Party at Giordano's-Westchester was attended by about 20 members and their families. An enjoyable evening was had by all as we had a chance to share fishing stories, talk spoonplugging, and catch up during the Holiday Season. The January business meeting was held at the Elk Grove Village Public Library and was attended by 12 members. The group had a productive discussion of seminar preparations and it looks like things are shaping up for another exciting event. It was decided to include a new segment on Interpretation of new waters. The attendees will be divided into groups and separate maps will be provided for each groups' interpretation. The groups will then report their opinions as to the fishing possibilities of each particular body of water (or section of water) involved. Jim Duplex then offered an informative presentation on Tools centered around Don Dixon's video on the subject. The discussion that followed will be continued at the February meeting. We also look forward to hearing some *Year-In-Review* reports, too, at the next meeting.

**2. MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The Illinois Winter Spoonplugging Seminar will be on Saturday, March 14 at the Elk Grove Village Public Library.** The official flyer and registration material is attached below.

**3. CLUB DUES** - The coming of the New Year also means that club membership dues are up. Dues remain unchanged at \$20. During the past year several new items were added to the club library, we purchased a new video projector, and the club covered costs for the holiday party, in addition to routine business expenses. Make the check payable to: JAMES W. TAYLOR (not Illinois Spoonpluggers). Added note - It was decided that seminar fees for all attendees this year, pre-registered or walkups, will be \$20. If you'd like to write one check to cover your club dues and the seminar fee (total \$40), that's fine.

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

**4. NATIONAL NEWS** - The update to the National Spoonplugger web site ([www.nsoa.info](http://www.nsoa.info)) has been completed, including a new On-Line Store which features an expanding catalogue of Buck's videos (on digital) and back-issues of the newsletters. Great resource.

**5. ROD & REEL SERVICE** - It is once again time to clean those reels and take a look at your tackle and make any repairs or upgrades that may be called for. Many club members go to *Coren's Rod and Reel Services* as they carry parts for Penn reels and provide expert service on all types of rods and reels at a reasonable price. Their address is: 6001 N. Nina Avenue, Chicago, IL 60631, Phone 773-631-5202.

**Current dates for upcoming National Outings:**

**Illinois Spoonpluggers Winter Seminar, March 14, 2009**  
**Bama & Ohio Spoonpluggers Outing (AL), April 15-19, 2009**  
**Leoni Outing, Jackson, MI, June 2-7, 2009**  
**Lunker Hunters Muskegon (MI) Outing, July 8-12, 2009**  
**Northern Indiana "Buck Sez" Outing, August, TBA**  
**Buck Perry Memorial Outing (NC), September, TBA**  
**Chickamauga Reservoir Outing (TN), September, TBA**

**Spoonplugger Web Sites:**

**Spoonpluggers of America: [nsoa.info](http://nsoa.info)**  
**Buck's Baits: [buckperry.com](http://buckperry.com) / Discussion Board, links, and more: [spoonplugger.net](http://spoonplugger.net)**

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# ILLINOIS SPOONPLUGGERS 7th WINTER SEMINAR

March 14, 2009

Elk Grove Village, IL

The Illinois Spoonpluggers will host their 7th Annual Winter Spoonplugging Seminar on Saturday, March 14, 2009 at the Elk Grove Public Library in Elk Grove, Illinois. The seminar will run from 9:00 AM-4:45 PM. The cost is \$20 per person, and will include coffee, rolls, lunch, and handout materials.

**#1 - TOPICS / QUESTIONS:** All Spoonpluggers who attend are asked to submit ONE QUESTION that will be discussed by the participants. Questions should refer to actual on-the-water experiences (not hypothetical situations) and pertain to the areas of:

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

**#2 - REGISTRATION & FEE:** Submit your question, 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' presentation this year will be a discussion of topics related to fishing the deepest water in the area.**

**#4 - Meet and greet Certified Spoonplugging Instructors, pick their brains, and maybe arrange an outing.**

**NOTE – Here's your opportunity to discuss Spoonplugging with experienced Spoonpluggers from around the Midwest. Submit a question and we'll try to answer it.**

The deadline to submit a written question for discussion at the seminar is  
Thursday, February 12, 2009.

**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**

**Attention:** The library does not open until 9:00 AM. Plan your arrival accordingly. There are restaurants in the area where you can get coffee and breakfast if you come early.

**Registration Form**  
**7th Annual Winter Spoonplugging Seminar**  
**March 14, 2009**

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

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

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

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

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

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**Question**

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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 is used to cover expenses such as: room rental, printing, handouts, food, and other miscellaneous items.**

**In order to maintain our non-profit status with the library board, we are not permitted to conduct any commercial or retail business on the premises; either in the library or the adjacent parking lot. This means we cannot sell anything or conduct a commercial enterprise on the premises.**

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

## FRIDAY EVENING DINNER

The Friday evening get-together and dinner will be at Russell's Barbecue from 7:00-9:30 PM for those who arrive early. Contact Scott Duff (847-322-2695) or Wayne Dyllo (708-452-0953) if you plan on attending.

**RUSSELL'S BARBECUE**  
2885 Algonquin Rd.  
(1/2 mile east of Route 53)  
Rolling Meadows, Illinois 60008  
847-259-5710

### Directions to the Elk Grove Village Public Library:

1001 Wellington Ave. Elk Grove, IL  
847-439-0447

**Remember:** The library will not open until 9:00 AM. Plan your arrival accordingly. There are restaurants in the area where you can get coffee and breakfast if you come early.

#### From Indiana/Michigan

Take I-294 (Tri-State Toll road) north to the Eisenhower Expressway. Take the I-290 (Eisenhower Expressway) west to Exit, Biesterfield. Turn right on Biesterfield and continue east about 1 mile to Wellington. Turn right and the library is on the left:  
1001 Wellington Ave.

#### From the East and South

Take the I-290 (Eisenhower Expressway) west to Exit, Biesterfield. Turn right on Biesterfield and continue east about 1 mile to Wellington. Turn right and the library is on the left: 1001 Wellington Ave.

#### From Wisconsin

Take the I-90 (Northwest Tollway) southeast to I-290 and go south to the Biesterfield exit. Go east on Biesterfield about 1 mile to Wellington. Turn right and the library is on the left: 1001 Wellington Ave. You can also exit the I-90 at Arlington Heights Rd. and go south to Biesterfield. Turn right on Biesterfield about 3 blocks to Wellington and turn left. The library is at: 1001 Wellington Ave.

#### From Northern Illinois

Take the I-294 south, to I-90, the Northwest Tollway. Take the tollway west to Arlington Heights Rd. and go south to Biesterfield. Turn right on Biesterfield about 3 blocks to Wellington and turn left. The library is at: 1001 Wellington Ave.

## **LODGING**

**Here are some motels in the immediate are if you're planning on staying overnight:**

**Best Western Elk Grove**  
1600 Oakton (NW corner of Oakton and Busse Rd./Rt. 83)  
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007  
(847) 981-0010

**La Quinta**  
1900 Oakton (NE corner of Oakton and Busse Rd./Rt. 83)  
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007  
(847) 439-6767

**Days Inn O'Hare West**  
1920 E. Higgins Rd. (Higgins Rd./Rt. 62 just SE of corner of Oakton and Busse Rd./Rt. 83)  
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007  
(847) 437-1650

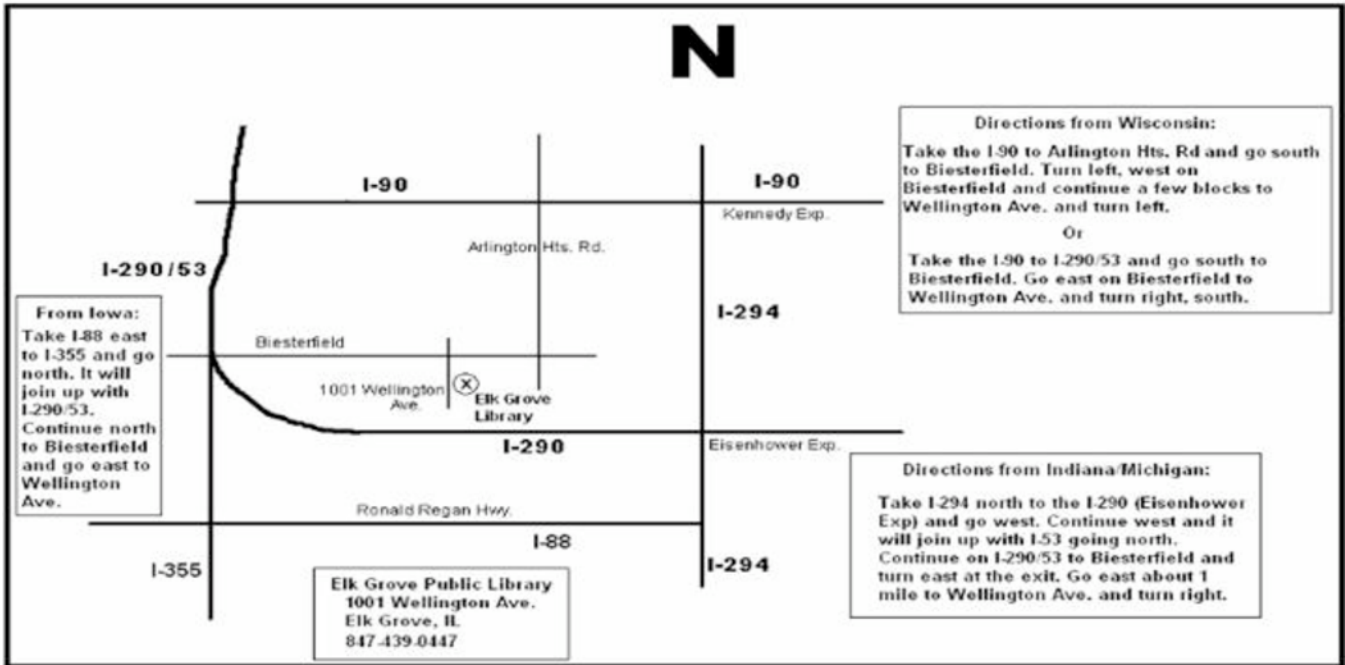
**Motel 6**  
1601 Oakton (SW corner of Oakton and Busse Rd./Rt. 83)  
Elk Grove Village, IL  
(847) 981-9766

**Exits on I-90 are located nearby at Elmhurst Rd. and Arlington Heights Rd.  
To reach any of the listed motels from I-90, simply exit at Elmhurst Rd. North and turn  
LEFT (West) at first stop light which is Oakton Street. Motels are 1 mile west.**

**Several restaurants and fast food stops are located nearby. The Elk Grove Village Public Library is just 10 minutes away.**

**If you plan to attend the Friday evening dinner & get-together here are the directions to  
RUSSELL'S BARBECUE from the listed motels: Take Busse Road North about 3/4 mile.  
Turn LEFT (West) on Algonquin Road (IL-62). Go 4.2 miles to Russell's Barbecue. Its on  
Algonquin Rd. between New Wilke Rd. and IL-53 overpass. Takes just 10 minutes.**

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**Directions from Wisconsin:**  
Take the I-90 to Arlington Hts. Rd and go south to Biesterfield. Turn left, west on Biesterfield and continue a few blocks to Wellington Ave. and turn left.  
Or  
Take the I-90 to I-290/53 and go south to Biesterfield. Go east on Biesterfield to Wellington Ave. and turn right, south.

**From Iowa:**  
Take I-88 east to I-355 and go north. It will join up with I-290/53. Continue north to Biesterfield and go east to Wellington Ave.

**Directions from Indiana/Michigan:**  
Take I-294 north to the I-290 (Eisenhower Exp) and go west. Continue west and it will join up with I-53 going north. Continue on I-290/53 to Biesterfield and turn east at the exit. Go east about 1 mile to Wellington Ave. and turn right.

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