Illinois Spoonpluggers Newsletter

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

November, 2009

The next meeting of the Illinois Spoonpluggers will be on Thursday, November 12, 7:15 PM at the Elk Grove Village Public Library. Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month.

NOTE: As usual, the December business meeting is canceled in lieu of the Holiday Party. See below.

MEETING SUMMARY: The October meeting was attended by 10 members. **Jim Perillo** will be submitting a LURE ORDER to Buck's Baits next week. See below for special discount prices! The Illinois Spoonpluggers are pleased to welcome new member **Brett Christenson**. Brett has been an avid muskie fisherman and is new to Spoonplugging. Jim Taylor was out of town so the treasurer's report will be given in November. **Craig Hubbard** announced that the <u>Holiday Party</u> will be held at <u>Giordano's Pizzeria of Westchester on Thursday, December 10</u>. This will be a family event-spouses and kids are invited! Watch for a flyer with details and directions soon. The Holiday Party replaces the December business meeting. Clay Russell has retired and just recently moved to the Dallas/Ft. Worth area (same e-mail). Good luck, Clay, and let us know how the bass are doing when you have a chance!

CLUB DUTIES: At the November business meeting we will be reviewing club jobs for 2010. This is the time of year when all members should consider ways in which they can contribute to the good of the order during the coming year. This will vary with many factors but it is important to share duties and responsibilities from year to year. It is only through our members' efforts and shared talents that the Illinois Spoonpluggers Club is able to maintain its success.

LURE ORDER: Club members receive a 20% discount from Buck's Baits with this special offer! Orders will be collected at the November business meeting. Please refer to Jim Perillo's e-mail where you will be able to print out the special price sheet from Buck's Baits. This is a great deal! Please contact Jim Perillo by e-mail (not phone) if you have further questions about the lure order.

FISHING REPORTS: With the unstable fall weather fishing has mostly been on the slow side so far but there have been a few big 'uns mixed in. In the mean time several members have also been doing some additional mapping on both new and old waters. During the October meeting members engaged in some interesting discussion (with drawings) as to work out a new lake. Reminder: Even when mapping a lake for the first time, active fish are very often caught along the way which facilitates interpretation. This can turn a cold day into an enjoyable and productive outing. Presentations or reports were given by **Phil Szafranski, Gino Testone, Mike Lynch, Jim Perillo, Jim Duplex and Rick Matus**. Thanks guys! **Jerry and Mary Hein** were on the water during a recent muskie tourney and caught a 45" muskie, which would have been big fish for the day, as well as a couple fish in the mid 30's. **Gino** has been rewarded for his mapping efforts and time on the water with muskies up to 40". **Craig Hubbard** and **Jim Taylor** have also been into the muskies in recent weeks. **Bob Roels** boated a 44" muskie up in Madison during cold front conditions. **Frank Yavarasky** sends word that he was fishing for smallmouth on Lake Erie so we look forward to his report at the meeting. Thanks to

all who have sent in pictures!

Upcoming Network Events Illinois Spoonpluggers Winter Seminar - Saturday, March 13, 2010 Elk Grove Village Public Library

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Jim Duplex-34" and and fish (tale)



Craig Hubbard









Phil Szafranski



Jim Taylor...





Gino Testone



Bob Roels - 44" muskie, day 2



BIG BASS on jump bait - Nice catch, cold day! Bob Roels generously left his head out of this picture in case anyone needs a good fish for some future report. I'm sure nobody will notice :)