



# *Illinois Spoonpluggers*

## **Newsletter**

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

**January Meeting Notes:** The January meeting was attended by 10 members and was dedicated mostly to the planning of March Seminar. The meeting was concluded with the agreement of the guidelines for Club membership(see Below).

**February Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Illinois Spoonpluggers will be on Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 7:15 PM at the Elk Grove Village Public Library. Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month.

**Fishing Reports:** Mike Lynch reported on a short trip to Baldwin lake in S/W Illinois. Fishing was tough with dense fog and heavy fishing pressure.

**CLUB DUES:** The coming of the New Year also means that club membership dues are up. Dues remain unchanged at \$20

Mail checks to:

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c/o Illinois Spoonpluggers

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Crystal Lake, IL 60014

# ILLINOIS SPOONPLUGGERS

As members of the ILLINOIS SPOONPLUGGERS, we would like to welcome to our club meetings, all fishermen, whether they are experienced or novice.

ILLINOIS SPOONPLUGGERS is dedicated to the education of the fisherman. We base our knowledge on the foundation of fishing facts as established by Buck Perry's guidelines on SPOONPLUGGING.

Club membership requirements:

Each Individual Must:

1. Own a copy of Buck's book, SPOONPLUGGING, YOUR GUIDE TO LUNKER CATCHES, for personal study.
2. Complete a test on the Basic's of Buck's book.
3. Pay the annual dues.
4. Share in the club's responsibilities: e. g. library, treasurer, refreshments, etc.
5. Participate in club outings for on the water experience.
6. Present a fishing report, using maps to help illustrate the fishing situation.

These basic requirements for membership will enable us to function as a well organized and well educated fishing club.

Club membership benefits:

1. Access to the club library.
2. Purchase of Spoonplugging equipment at discount prices.
3. Voice your opinions and questions at monthly meetings.
4. Receive up-to-date on-line fishing reports

"KNOWLEDGE IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS"

Buck Perry

**The following was adopted by Illinois  
Spoonpluggers at January's business meeting:**

**Educational Materials**

Buck Perry based all of Spoonplugging on one truth: "KNOWLEDGE IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS." Becoming an accomplished Spoonplugger requires careful study and extensive time on-the-water. To meet this need, Illinois Spoonpluggers maintains an extensive library of Educational Materials. This is one of the chief benefits of membership in the club.

Educational Materials of the Illinois Spoonpluggers are defined as:

- 1) The Club Library (maps, videos, books, newsletters, etc.),
- 2) Spoonplugger Maps
- 3) Shared Member Fishing Reports

Educational Materials in the club library are to be catalogued and kept in a safe place. Transferring of media should be accomplished as necessary to preserve content and to assure its continued availability to future members (i.e. VHS to DVD, scanning of archived printed material, etc.).

## Use of Educational Materials

The club's Educational Materials are considered proprietary information, and are intended solely for use by members of Illinois Spoonpluggers for study and personal use on-the-water. Educational Materials may not be distributed outside the club, or used for personal or financial gain.

## ILLINOIS SPOONPLUGGER CLUB LIBRARY

### Guidelines

All library materials were either purchased with club dues or donated by club members. **Craig Hubbard** is currently administering the large volume of library information. In order to continue to provide library materials to all members, we have established the following guidelines:

1. To reserve a video, call Craig, **847-524-9303**, and he will bring it to the next meeting.
2. All library items must be signed out, on loan for one month. Please provide for another club member to return library items if you miss a meeting.
3. If any library item is lost or damaged, the club member will pay for replacement when the item is due.

4. Based on our experience over the years, a few people chronically do not return items, especially videos. As a result, we have established an overdue library material section in the monthly newsletter. Overdue library items will be noted, along with the name of the club member who signed it out.
5. Videos are very popular library items. We allow each person to sign out two videos per month
6. Videos can and do wear out from high use. We need your help in this area. If a library video jams, exhibits poor tracking, bad color, or distorted sound, please alert Craig.

**The ILLINOIS SPOONPLUGGERS 8<sup>th</sup> WINTER SEMINAR**  
**March 13, 2010**  
**Elk Grove Village, IL**

The Illinois Spoonpluggers will host their 8th Annual Winter Spoonplugging Seminar on Saturday, March 13, 2010 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: **JAMES TAYLOR, 1367 Loch Lomond Dr., Crystal Lake, IL 60014**

**#3 John Bales** presentation this year will be a discussion of topics related to the little things you can do to become a better Spoonplugger.

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

**#5 Terry O'Malley & Jeri Perry** will be in attendance so come say hello.

**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 11, 2010.**

**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 9:00AM.* Plan your arrival accordingly. There are restaurants in the area where you can get coffee and breakfast if you come early.

**Registration Form**  
**8<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Spoonplugging Seminar**  
**March 13, 2010**

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.***

## Directions to the Elk Grove Village Library:

1001 Wellington Ave. Elk Grove, IL

847-439-0447

Remember: ***The library will not open until 9:00AM.*** 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**

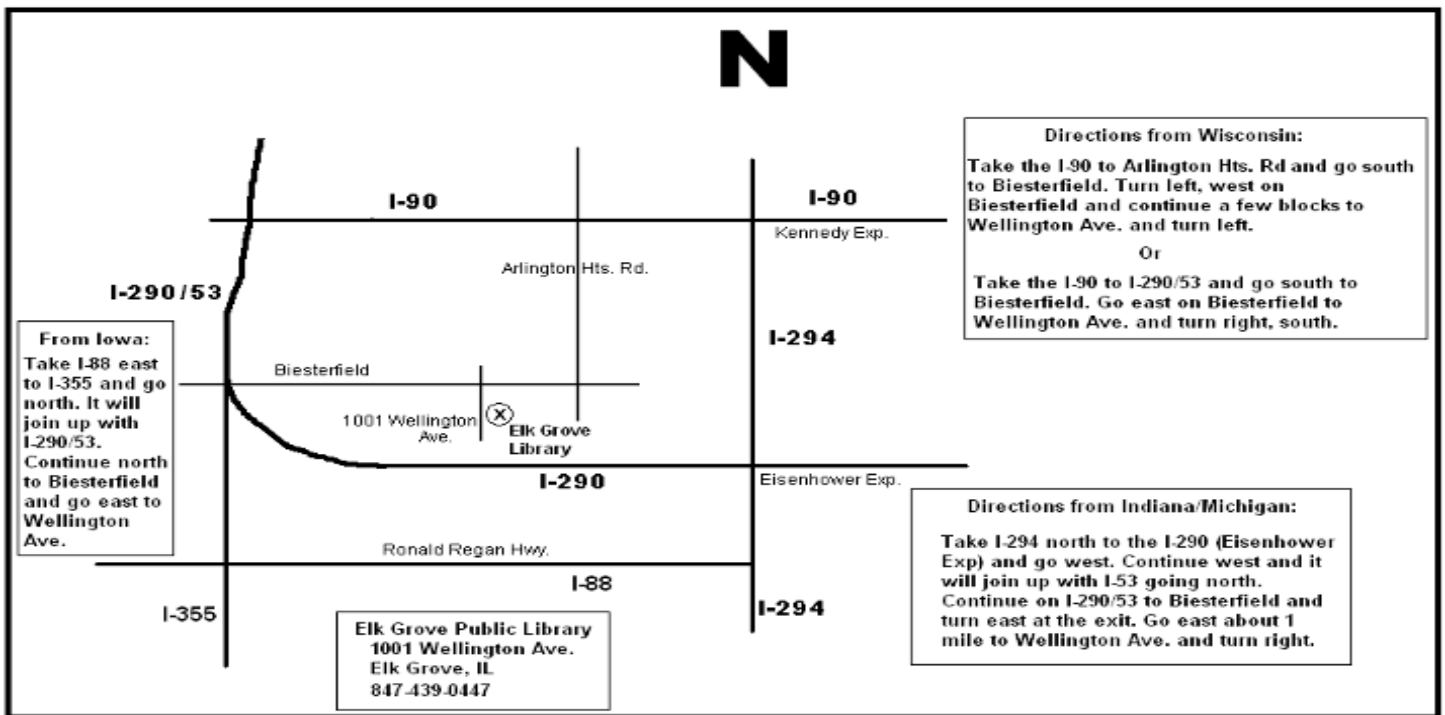
Take the I-290 (Eisenhower Expressway) west to Exit, Biesterfield. Turn right on Biesterfield and continue east about 1 mile to Wellington. Turn right and the library is on the left: 1001 Wellington Ave.

### 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.



Here are some motels in the immediate are if you're planning on coming early and staying overnight. Phil Szafranski will be hosting a get together for those attendees coming from out of town on Friday night. Contact him if plan on attending.

#### 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

A couple of restaurants and fast food stops are located across from the motels. The Elk Grove Village Library is just 10 minutes away. Lou Malnati's Pizza is 1/2 mile west on Higgins Rd. The Rose Garden Restaurant is about 1 mile further west on Higgins Rd. at Arlington Heights Rd.

Exits on I-90 are located nearby on Elmhurst Rd. and Arlington Heights Rd.

***Mike Lynch with a Baldwin lake Bass***

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