

Arlington Anglers

Anybody Ready for Spring?



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Arlington Anglers Fishing Club

This may have been a great winter for all the ice fishermen that you know, but is anybody else really tired of this snow and cold weather? Well I'm ready for that spring thaw, spawning fish in the shallow bays, and 3 pound cohos on the surface in Lake Michigan.

Jim Schaefer from JD Spinners Guide Service (JDSpinners.com) was the Club's February 19th guest speaker. JD came through at the last minute to take Don Dzedzina's place, who came down with the flu.

Look for Don to be a guest speaker in the near future to talk about local waters and techniques.

JD is a guide on Northern Illinois waters and various waters in Wisconsin. JD grew up on the Chain of Lakes. His parents owned and operated the Eagle Point Park (Puppet Place) on Pistakee Lake on the Chain when JD was young. He has been fishing the Chain for the better part of his life.

He described some techniques for catching fish on the Chain and some areas to look for them (out of high traffic areas). He spoke about the history of the Chain, the current conditions on the Chain, and how much things have changed. He said the fish populations on the Chain are good and there are some big fish to be had if you put in the time. It was an interesting seminar and a great deal of knowledge was shared with the club.

Another winter-time favorite is coming up at the Rolling Meadows HS Fishing Flea Market on March 15th (8am to 1 pm). It's a great time to pick up a few necessities for the upcoming fishing season and spin a

few yarns with a great bunch of guys. Visit the Arlington Anglers table and see what our club is about!

Dates to remember: March 1&5- Milwaukee River Bank Fishing; March 15 - Rolling Meadows Flea Market; March 18 - Meeting and Speaker on Lake Shelbyville; March 29 & 30 - LaCrosse, WI Barge Fishing; April 15 - Meeting and Speaker; April 16&17 - Deep Quarry on West DuPage River; April 17-20 - Clinton Lake Fishing and Camping; April 19 - Busse Woods; April 23 - Lake Shabbona; April 29 - Chain of Lakes.

Come to one of our meetings to find out more about our club, activities and outings.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. We meet at Dick's Sports Store (Flr.1-NW) near Woodfield Shopping Center in Schaumburg, IL, .5 miles north of Higgins, on Martingale Road. Door prizes, speaker, raffles, fishing reports: Give it a try!

For further information call our President Tom Curtin at 847-639-7858 or visit our website at <http://arlingtonanglers.com>



Milwaukee River king salmon teeth caught on fly rod!