Arlington Anglers Getting Ready for a Successful 2016

Bob Diebold Arlington Anglers Fishing Club

With the falling temperatures, early snow on the ground, and deer hunting completed, our attention moves to getting ready for next year's fishing. Typically that includes organizing your fishing gear and oiling the reels followed by re-spooling with new line. Any organized fishing club does the same thing: reflect on 2015 and prepare for next year.

At the November meeting, the following individuals were selected the officers for 2016:

President: Vice President

& Membership: Treasurer: Secretary:

Outings Chair: Speaker Chair: Newsletter:

Webmaster Liaison:

Big Fish Contest

Coordinator: Sgts. at Arms: Tom Curtin

Seth Mahler Mike Bierman John Madejczyk Henry Comp Pat Harrison Bob Diebold

Bert Saxon

Gary Elliott Dave Powell Joe Taylor Kristie Powell

After a pizza dinner, we had a number of fishing manufacturers provide insight as to how lures are made and how they can be customized to meet fisherman's needs. Brad Wilkins, coowner of *Crabby Bass Lures* (crabbybasslures.com), displayed the various types of soft baits that they produce: swim baits, Senko-type worms, wacky worms, crawfish, frogs, and hellgrammites. Brad can make special custom orders based on type, size, scent, glitter, eyes, and scent.

We also heard from Ted Koski of *Little Baby Teddy Tackle Co.* (815-325-9795). They specialize in some very unique in-line spinners in

various configurations including tied-flies, flashes, squirrel tail, single or treble hooks, and custom glass beads.

On Dec 13th, Arlington Anglers will host their *Annual Christmas and Awards Banquet*.

Winners of the club's Big Fish Contest and Master Angler Award will be announced. Our Toys For Tots gifts will be collected.

The Banquet will be held at *Jimmy's Charhouse* in Elk Grove. Contact Seth for more info (954.328.4029)

Dates to remember:
Dec 13 - Banquet
Annual Christmas and
Awards Banquet

Jan 19 - Club Meeting Speaker - TBA

Jan 28-31 - Sport Show Club Booth at *Chicagoland Fishing, Travel & Outdoor Expo* in Schaumburg, IL

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 6:30 to 9:00 PM. We meet at Cabela's which is located at 5225 Prairie Stone Pkwy, Hoffman Estates, IL just off I-90 at Illinois Rt 59. Door prizes, speaker, raffles,



Owner of Crabby Bass Lures, Brad Wilkins, describes how unique lures can be manufactured at the November Arlington Anglers Meeting.

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Teddy Koski (center), owner of Little Baby Teddy Tackle Co. shows a custom tied in-line spinner to Arlington Anglers Ed Covers and Walt Wagner. PHOTO BY: ARLINGTON ANGLERS

For further information call our President Tom Curtin at 312-560-9876 or visit our website at: http://arlingtonanglers.com.

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