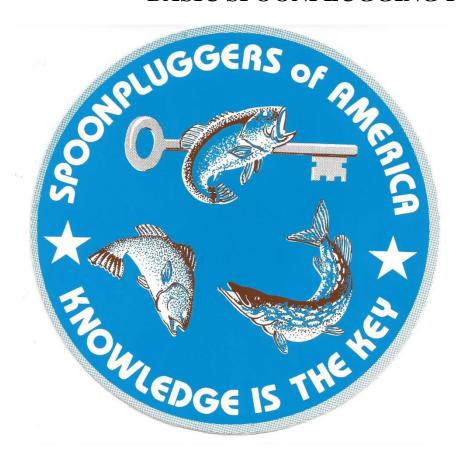
## **LUNKER HUNTER SPOONPLUGGERS MEETING May 1, 2008**

## "BASIC SPOONPLUGGING REVIEW"



Don Stephens brought a **video** of a talk by Ted Walter at a past Muskegon Outing titled: "**What Is Spoonplugging**?" Ted emphasized that Spoonplugging is **a percentages game**. We don't rely on luck. The **knowledge** and **fishing guidelines** we use are to increase our chances of success. The **#1 problem** we encounter is the **ability to read and interpret bottom conditions** (mapping and interpretation). We must pay attention to water color, the available structure, and whether it can be fished properly. **Proper tools** (those recommended by Mr. Perry) should be used for best results. We **first** must learn to **troll the 3 smallest sizes** of Spoonplugs. By **turning off your depth sounder** when you do, you will greatly increase your sense of feel and ability to interpret the bottom conditions. Get use to using **rifle sights**—they come in very handy! Our **interpretation begins in deep water**—the home of the fish. **Record what you find---**your **mapping and interpretation is the teacher you take with you!** Teds' advice was basic Spoonplugging, a good review for all of us.

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