## **SPOONPLUGGING STUDY GROUP JANUARY 19, 2006**

## "BASIC SPOONPLUGGING SEMINAR"



Chase giving Sports Show seminar

Chase Klinesteker presented a "Basic Spoonplugging" seminar which he will be giving at the Grand Rapids Sport, Fishing, and RV Show March 16-19, 2006. Spoonplugging was described as a lifetime learning process based in the knowledge about fish behavior discovered by Buck Perry, the father of modern-day structure fishing. It is **not just another method** or only using Spoonplugs, **but based on knowledge**. There are 8 areas of knowledge about fishing, according to Mr. Perry. They are: Basic Movements of Fish, Structure, Weather and Water, Mapping and Interpretation, Controls and Tools, Lure Presentation, Lake Types, and Mental Aspects. Knowledge must be gained in all 8 of these areas if one is to become successful and well-rounded in all facets of fishing. Some fishermen spend most of their time learning new methods of lure presentations at the expense of the other 7 areas, leaving them at a disadvantage. Terry O'Malley describes Spoonplugging as a simple, orderly, and precise way in which to fish, which is the "Ultimate in Fishing" because we fish all types of waters, for all species of fish, and we target the largest fish of those species. That requires knowledge in many areas and it does not come overnight. Excellence must be worked hard for-- in any field of endeavor. In the seminar, Chase explained each of the 8 areas and their significance. He also gave 3 reasons Spoonpluggers catch more than their share of trophy fish: They check faster speeds, they cover more territory by trolling, and they locate, map, and fish more "secondary" structures. Only one person was caught closing their eyes during the seminar, likely claiming to be in deep thought!!