



# RIVERSIDE FISHING CLUB

## Fishing Line Newsletter

2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

Sep 13	Oct 11	Nov 8	Dec 13
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### CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

ALL ACTIVE MEMBERS - ARE WELCOME. Don't forget the early-bird drawing for 2 annual memberships! Pay your membership for 2019 at or before the party and get entered to WIN! Great, catered social - not-to-be-missed. The party is LOADED with delicious food and treats - and you need to have sent your reservations in for a guest if you are bringing one! Contact Sue & Tony at the addresses (left side of this newsletter). Wishing you and yours a fantastic Christmas and holiday season! We will be donating to our favorite food pantry - don't forget to bring non-perishable food items to donate!

Join us December 13th in LaGrange -. JOIN US at the American Legion Hall 900 S. La Grange, Road - La Grange, IL 60525 for our monthly fishing seminars, meals and the best fishing social club in the Chicago area. No reservations necessary for guests who are thinking of joining our club - you MAY JOIN THE CLUB this evening to get in on the Christmas Party. Memberships for 2019 are available at \$60 for single member and \$85 for family membership. (You may just win a free membership in our drawing if Santa comes early). This is the best time of the year to join - especially if you don't like cutting a hole below you to fish.

### Slow Down, You Move to Fast!

I can't think of a more appropriate sentiment for the month of December. It seems we are always in a hurry as the holidays approach. When it comes to fishing though it's time to slow it down, fish after all are cold blooded.

Fish are not normally chasing baits this time of the year. Remember fish have a great sense of smell, a sensitive lateral line that feels vibrations and most have good eyesight. This time of the year smell and vibrations play an important role as fish move slower but are still eager to eat. I've watched many videos of fish slowly approaching bait, coming within an inch then suddenly inhaling the bait in a blink of the eye. That's not to say strong movements won't attract them but most often they don't hit until the movement stops. One of my favorite lures is the plain old Kastmaster. I have learned to always pause for awhile after a couple of jiggging motions. The fish always hit on the pause.

December is a great month to fish! Panfish often form tight schools and the gamefish are not far away. Look for green weed edges and surprisingly shallow backwaters. They are feeding on insect larvae and small crustaceans. Match the hatch, wax worms and spikes on small jigs often rule the day.

My last bit of fishing advice is fish the Lake Michigan shoreline and harbors. Perch are often the star but Lake Trout, Browns and Steelheads are cruising the lakefront. Live baits, slowly presented twister tails flavored with a piece of squid should bring results.

Lastly this is the season of celebration and gift giving. I would like to suggest a fishing gift of a different sort. How about a gift certificate for a fishing trip. Fishing is what we do! A simple handwritten or printed certificate offering to take a kid, grandkid, friend or neighbor fishing next year could mean a great time for all. It could be as simple as a trip to a local pond or as elaborate as a guided trip, it's up to you!

Peace!

Dan Carney  
Lifetime Member  
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Paid Members can attend our board meeting 6:45pm Wed., Dec. 19th - Papa Passero's 6326 South Cass Ave., Westmont.

Meetings held 2nd Thursday each month Doors Open at 6:15 p.m. Meeting runs 6:45 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (Guests Welcome \$10.00 per meeting- Includes Meal & Admission) **Robert E. Coulter Jr. Post 1941** American Legion Hall 900 S. La Grange Road, La Grange, Illinois (708) 354-3300

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**Meet, eat and listen is our motto!**  
Only \$10 for guest membership.

- \* Speaker-Presenter Every Meeting
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- \* Great way to meet new fishermen
- \* Great night out to bring the kids
- \* Cash Bar & Fishing Tackle Raffles
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- \* \$85 family membership -annual
- \* \$60 single membership -annual

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