

## Illinois Meeting

Gurnee American Legion | 749 Milwaukee Ave. | Gurnee, IL 60031

Date: Wednesday, February 26, 2020

Speaker: Andrew Ragas

Topic: *Trophy Bass in Wisconsin's Northwoods*



Andrew Ragas splits time between the Chicago area and Wisconsin's Northwoods. Based in Minocqua, WI, he specializes in trophy bass fishing and offers guided trips from May thru October. Northwoods Bass is the only Wisconsin fishing guide service of its kind, specializing on one species, with emphasis on seminar styled learning and angling approach. His goal is to educate, promote and conserve the resource, and help you succeed. He may be visited online at [northwoodsbase.com](http://northwoodsbase.com).

While big bass is the passion, he dabbles in multi-species as well. Besides his seasonal guiding, he is a frequent writer and columnist with *Mid-West Outdoors Magazine* and specializes on the subjects of bass fishing, fishing trips and destinations, and other multi-species subjects. Additionally, in the fishing world, he enjoys collaborating with his partner brands through brand ambassador memberships where product development, promotion, and marketing are his tasks.

Ragas also has a desk job like many of us, but one that allows him to work year-round in between all the fishing he does. A 2010 graduate of Loyola University Chicago, with degrees in Communication and Media Studies, and a secondary degree in Visual Communication and Graphic Design, he is a self-employed small business owner, specializing in website design, web marketing, and web management solutions. Working from his desk and remotely, he works on website design projects with clients of all industries throughout the country that includes outdoor brands, corporations, television shows and media entities, healthcare, professional services, and more. His business website can be visited at [ragasmedia.com](http://ragasmedia.com).

Andrew's presentation will teach us how to take advantage of the diverse fishery in the Wisconsin Northwood's – where to locate and catch trophy largemouth and smallmouth bass during May and June. If you haven't already planned a trip there you will, and book Ragas as your guide, after watching him speak.