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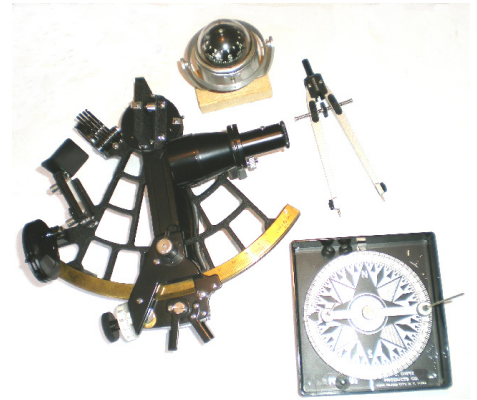
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General Meetings are usually held each month, Sept. thru June  
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## Ann Arbor Sail and Power Squadron Meetings canceled Due to coronavirus

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After the Erie Canal was built in the 1820's, other canals were proposed and some built to ease travel in the United States. Ohio had canals between Lake Erie and the Ohio River. Michigan proposed canals between Lake Michigan eastward to Lake Huron and Lake Saint Clair. Two were started, but not completed.



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## Cheboygan to Crooked Lake Waterway

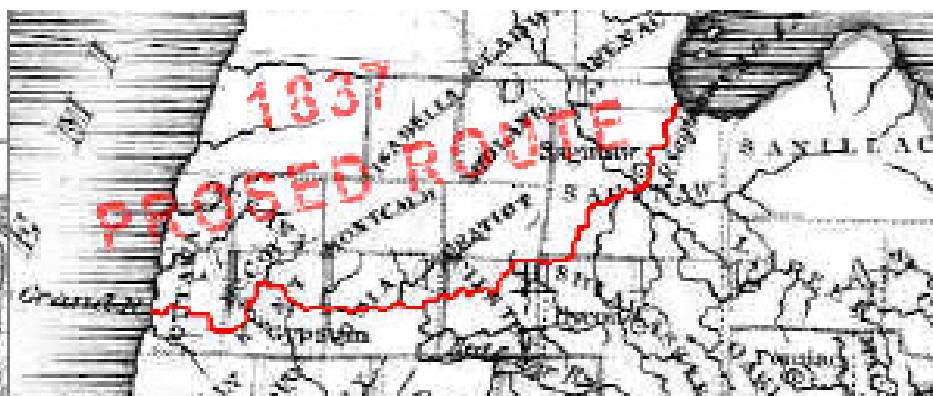
A canal from Cheboygan to Mullet Lake, Indian River and Burt Lake ends in Crooked Lake near Bayview/Petoskey. A Lock in Cheboygan lowers you to Lake Huron. This is a favorite trip for recreational boaters. [fishweb.com](http://fishweb.com) has movies of canals and rivers in Michigan taken from the boat and from a drone.





A lock in Cheboygan lowers you to Lake Huron. NOAA has charts from Cheboygan to Crooked Lake.

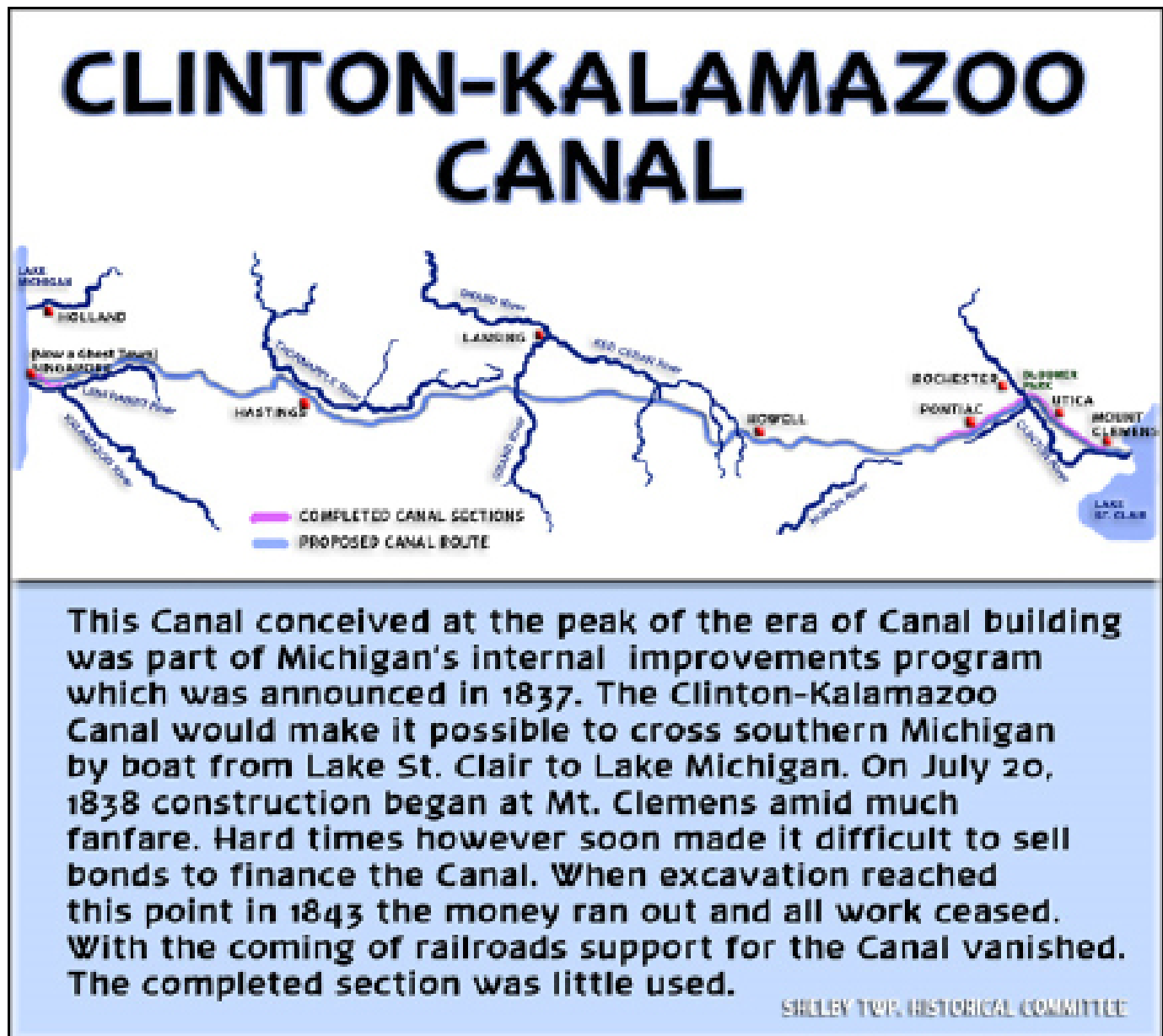
Canal proposed in the 1800's from Saginaw Bay to Grand Rapids and Lake Michigan



**NORTHERN CANAL - Lake Huron to Lake Michigan**

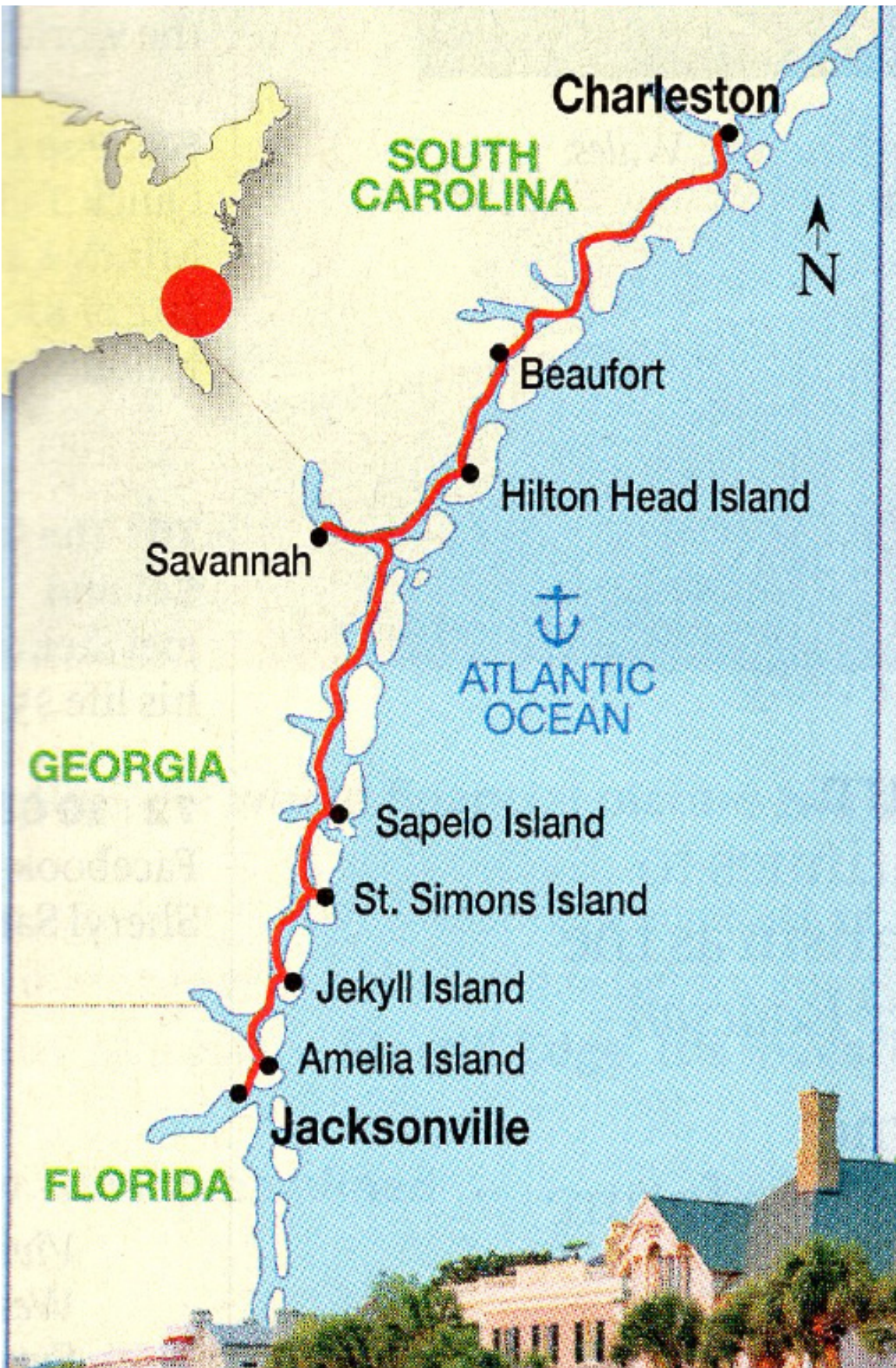
Ohio and Michigan had built canals and locks shortly after the Erie Canal was complete. Railroads put them out of business in the 1840's.

The Clinton-Kalamazoo Canal got as far as Pontiac.





The Intracoastal Waterway, shown here, is like a canal. It has tides but no locks





## Commander's Message

Cdr. Ron Schwartz, SN

Chris Juall, of Sarasota, Florida, is putting photos of his favorite beaches on the internet. Google him.

BoatU.S. magazine offers to e-mail notices of changes in sea bottom of inlets caused by storms. Sign up at [Boat.U.S./Neale-Signup](#).

Asian carp are good to eat. Fillet, skin, fry in garlic butter. [youtube.com/zacandnate](#). Remove bones as you eat them.

Randy and Rebecca Tisch have put well organized photos of their Pacific and Atlantic Ocean cruising on their yacht *Argo* on line. [tischtravels.com](#)

Jordan and Desiree Wicht spent 3 years restoring a 1963 30' fiberglass Allied Seawind sail yacht *Atticus* in Florida and are now cruising the Caribbean and working and reporting it in Cruising World Magazine and on Youtube.

Alvah Simon has been cruising the oceans since 1976, and wrote an excellent article in the October 2014 Cruising World magazine page 71.



# Boating Education

**Our ABC (America's Boating Course) is on a self study program until the coronavirus leaves.**

Please reply to [schwartzr348@aol.com](mailto:schwartzr348@aol.com) and list courses and seminars you would like to take.

Courses being offered by all local Squadrons are advertised, at <http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/cfindx.cgi?C>

Courses and seminars available from USPS are listed below. Courses take about 16 hours - 8 weeks .  
Seminars are about 2 hours long.

## Seminars

Advanced Powerboat Handling   AIS Electronics for Boaters   Anchoring   Boating on Rivers, Locks and Lakes   Crossing Border   Emergencies on Board   Fuel and Boating   Radar for Boaters (RA)   Hands-On Training   How to Use a Chart   Hurricane Preparation for Boaters   Introduction to Navigation   Knots, Bends, and Hitches   Man Overboard   Marine Radar   Mariner's Compass Seminar   Mastering the Rules of the Road   Paddle Smart   Propane Systems on Your Boat   Partner in Command   Sail Trim   Tides and Currents   Trailering Your Boat   Using GPS   Using VHF and VHF/DSC Marine Radio

## Advanced courses

Seamanship (S)   Piloting (P)   Instructor Development (ID)   Advanced Piloting (AP)   Cruising and Cruise Planning (C and CP)   Engine Maintenance (EM)   Electronic Navigation (ENCE)   Marine Communication Systems (MCS)   Marine Electrical Systems (MES)   Sail (Sa) 2009   Junior Navigation (JN)   Navigation (N)   Weather (Wx) 2012

### A Partial List of Events

DATE	SPONSOR	EVENT AND LOCATION
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All meetings are canceled until the  
Coronavirus is gone.

