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Ann Arbor Sail and Power Squadron Picnic Monday, 20 June 2022 5 P.M at John and Marlene Barr's house 1200 Whittier Rd. Ypsilanti 48197-2152 734-483-0839 Corner of Whittier Rd. and Roosevelt St. 42° 14.86' N, 83° 37.63' W

All are welcome



Potluck. Marlene will bring Chicken and Baked Beans. Peggy is bringing Key Lime Pie. Ron is bringing Stuffed Grape Leaves. Please bring a salad, vegetables, potatoes and drinks, to complement. We will meet at 5 P.M. at John and Marlene Barr's house All are welcome. RSVP to Marlene **734-483-0839** by Sunday June 19, 2022



Barr house



Commander's Message Cdr. Ron Schwartz, SN



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April 18, 2022 meeting attendees L-R; Larry Marentette, John Barr, Jr., Marlene Barr, John Barr, Cheryl Marentette. Photo by Ron Schwartz.

Boating Education

We are offering the ABC Basic Boating course for free. Please reply to 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

USPS offers some very interesting courses. Weather, AP, JN and N are fun courses even if you don't go boating. I've taken Weather three times between 1970 and 2012 because scientists are learning new things about the weather every year.

On-Line courses and seminars can be found on the USPS web site usps.org click on Americas Boating Club

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

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	A Partial List of Events		
DATE	SPONSOR	EVENT AND LOCATION	
20 June	AASPS	5 P.M. Picnic. See page 3.	
July or August	AASPS	Canoe and Kayak trip	



May 16, 2022 meeting attendees L-R ; Marlene Barr, John Barr Jr., George Schwartz, John Barr, Peggy Moller, Freddy Ohou. Photo by Ron Schwartz.