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**Ann Arbor Sail and Power Squadron
Meeting Monday, 19 Sept. 2022
5 P.M to 8 P. M. at Alpha Koney Diner
4389 Jackson Rd. Ann Arbor, 48103
734-780-7102
<https://www.alphadiner.com/#loc-offset>
42 17.1' N 83 49.0' W**

All are welcome

We will meet at 5 P.M. at the Alpha Koney Diner in the Parkland Center, a small strip mall on the south side of Jackson Road, west of Park Road. <https://www.alphadiner.com/#loc-offset> They close at 8 PM. Please RSVP to Ron Schwartz 734-769-3476. Order from the menu.

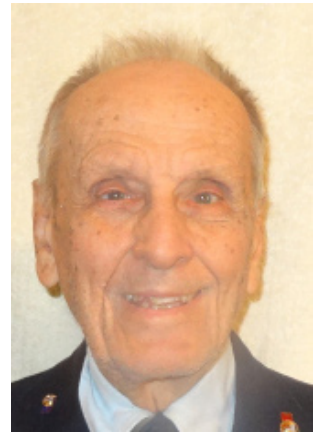
John and Marlene Barr will present their recent trip to Poland.



Old Church in Debe Poland. Photo from Google Earth.



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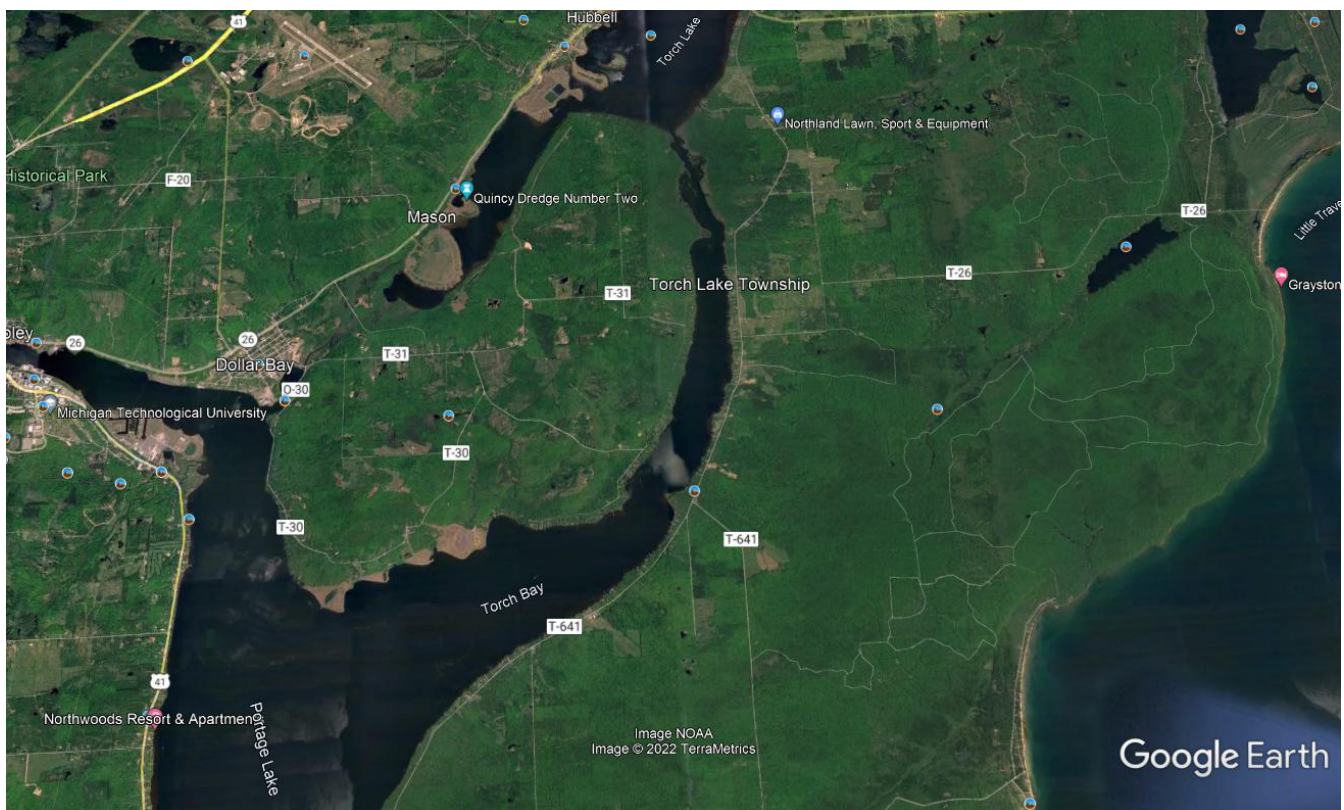


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Congratulations to Peggy and Freddy -- they got married June 29, 2022.

There are two Torch Lakes and a Torch Bay in Michigan. One, we all know near Traverse City, and the other two near Houghton in the Keweenaw Peninsula in Torch Lake Township. Info from Google Earth.



Boating Education

We are offering the ABC Basic Boating course for free starting October 6 for eight Thursdays. 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
Sept 17-18	USPS	Governing Board Meeting Raleigh, NC
Sept. 19	AASPS	5 P.M. Meeting. Alpha Diner. See page 3
Oct.1	D9	D9 Fall Conference on Cruise Ship
Oct. 6	AASPS	America's Boating Course starts. Call 734-769-3476.