



Four Lakes Scuba Club Newsletter

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This Month's Meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 13

7:30 PM

Babe's - 5614 Schroeder Road

Speaker: John Fafinski



Long-time club member John and half of Team Jellen will share his tips and tricks for how he gets such stunning underwater photos. He'll discuss the equipment, camera setup, and how he processes the photos when returning from the dive vacation. He'll share info about how to improve

underwater photos using Lightroom and similar software. See some examples of how he transforms the pics from the camera into what he shares.



WANTED

2020

Speakers

Have you recently gone on a dive vacation?

Know someone with an interesting story involving our underwater world to share?

We're looking for speakers for our meetings in 2020. Shy? No worry—we don't bite or sting! Send ideas for speakers to Brad at vp@fourlakesscubaclub.org.

Babe's Closing



As you probably have heard, Babe's will be closing shortly after our November meeting. The owners of the property will be constructing a new restaurant in the location, but it won't have the back room that's served us so nicely over the years.

Babe's has been the club's meeting location for the past 10 years, since [September 2009](#), and we've had a great time. We'd like to thank Babe's for a decade of great food and wonderful service.

Our December holiday party will not be at Babe's. Stay tuned for details about the party. When we finalize the details, we'll send it out to members via email and the [Facebook page](#). Regardless, we'll need an accurate count of who is planning to come, so please reply with your plans.



We're searching for a new venue for our meetings in 2020 and beyond. If you know of places with space similar to where we've been meeting, please let us know! Feel free to come to the board meeting starting at 6:30 to help decide the future of the club.

Your article could be here!

We are always looking for contributions to the newsletter! Please send your trip reports, articles, photos, etc. to news@fourlakesscubaclub.org.

Scuba in the News

SANCTUARY STATE

Governor Tony Evers announced support for the Lake Michigan National Sanctuary proposal. This includes the waters near Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Sheboygan, and Ozaukee counties. As the location of 38 known shipwrecks and 95 unexplored potential shipwrecks, this area is a significant part of Wisconsin's maritime history. [[Herald Times Reporter](#)]

INDUSTRIAL-SCALE RIVER CLEANUP

The Interceptor, a barrier anchored to a riverbed, can gobble up as much as 50,000 kilograms of trash before it gets to the ocean. (The club will need a lot more canoes to compete.) According to The Ocean Cleanup, the nonprofit designer of the Interceptor, just 1,000 rivers are responsible for 80% of trash entering the ocean. This system could reduce the amount of new plastic entering the ocean by as much as 90%. Two Interceptors are already at work in Malaysia and Indonesia. [[Fast Company](#)]

AGGRESSOR EGYPT FIRE

An American diver has died from a fire on the Red Sea Aggressor. All of the other passengers and crew managed to jump overboard and were rescued by another nearby liveaboard. This is the second major fire on a scuba liveaboard this year. While it's still too soon to know the causes of these fires, the U.S. Coast Guard issued a [marine safety bulletin](#) about unsupervised charging of lithium-ion batteries. [[Scuba Diver Magazine](#)]

DEMA SHOW 2019

[DEMA 2019](#) is set to start on Wednesday and run through Saturday in Orlando. This is one of the big conventions for scuba diving. Expect announcements about new products from manufacturers and vendors this week! [[DiveNewsWire](#)]

THE FISHERMAN'S SECRET

"His obsession was hard for his loved ones to understand, but to him it made perfect sense. He had spent his whole life fishing blind, never seeing his huge net do its work. Now, for the first time, he could observe his most important piece of equipment and the cold, dark water through which it moved. A mysterious realm, suddenly illuminated. And then, one night, he saw something that he never expected to see. He saw a flash of gold."

Tara Duggan and Jason Fagone take a (very) deep dive into a modern-day treasure hunt off the coast of the Golden State. [[San Francisco Chronicle](#)]

A LITTLE TOO DEEP TO DIVE

The USS *Grayback*, a World War II submarine that sank in 1944 with 80 American sailors, was discovered off of Okinawa in 1,400 feet of water. [[NY Times](#)]

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