

'A canoe is probably the most useful watercraft'

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 seven sport canoeists and people who go out in gangs a couple of times a year

to party on a stream or lake. "I call those people livery turkeys," said Labbe. "Those are people who nev-

er own a canoe and do it once a year. They're not interested in canoeing. "They picnic on the river and fall in

to cool off. They create an awful lot of pressure on the river. "A problem is that the liveries (canoe

rentals) encourage that kind of business. They depend on groups to make an annual tour.

"People who canoe are very ecological-minded, especially if they want to go back to an area and use it again. You spoil your own sport if you're not responsible. When you see pollution from a canoe, it really impacts on you."



With proper instruction and the fellowship of others with a similar interest, canoeists can get more out of a day on the lake or river.

"I think a canoe club has the opportunity to take younger people and encourage canoeing as a sport, not as a party weekend. As younger people become more familiar with a canoe as a recreational vehicle, they have more respect for it.

Labbe is also aware of the occasional conflict between canoeists and fishermen on popular rivers, most notably, the Au Sable.

"I like the approach the DNR (Department of Natural Resources) has," Labbe said. "I feel you can canoe during the day and fishermen can have the river in the morning and evening when fishing is best anyhow."

As an individual becomes proficient with a canoe, he should begin to notice and appreciate more the ecology of a river or lake system.

The progression from learning the basics of operating a canoe to conservation runs full circle with political awareness and activism.

Public access to lakes and rivers is becoming more limited. Permits limiting canoe access are already in effect on some rivers such as the Pine near Cadillac.

Then, there is the conflict between fishermen and canoeists that really hasn't been resolved.

Other big issues that occasionally crop up are government plans to modify wild rivers through the Army Corps of Engineers and oil-drilling in river basins. Labbe hopes to touch on political issues which relate to both canoeing and conservation if enough interest is shown to start a club.

"The more organized you are, the better say you have."

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 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the annual election will be held in Farmington Public School District, County of Oakland, and State of Michigan, on Monday, the 9th day of June, 1980, for the purpose of electing two (2) members of the Board of Education for terms of four (4) years ending June 30, 1984, for which positions the following persons have been nominated:
 Raymond S. Koteras
 James E. McGlinchy
 Lynn T. Morgan
 Helen D. Prutow
 and to vote for three (3) members for the Board of Trustees of the Community College District of Parts of the Counties of Oakland, Washtenaw, Livingston and Lapeer, Michigan (Oakland Community College), to be elected at large from the Community College District on a non-partisan basis, the qualified candidates for the Board of Trustees being as follows:
 Theodore Dzarman
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 Mariellen Greenbury
 David W. Hackett
 Margaret M. MacTavish
 Richard J. Pappas
 Veronica Sexton
 Nancy Vangilder
 Barbara J. Willing
 John J. Yeaman
 and to vote on the following proposal for the Oakland Community College District:
 Oakland Community College District
 Transfer Proposition
 To be levied only as a replacement for corresponding reductions in building bond debt service tax levies, shall the limitation on the property taxes in the Oakland Community College District, State of Michigan, (except taxes levied for building bond debt which are not subject to limit) be increased by not to exceed 2/10 mill (20¢ per \$1,000) for the year 1981 and each year thereafter of the state equalized valuation of the district?
 YES
 NO
 NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the polls for said election will be open from 7:00 o'clock A.M. to 6:00 o'clock P.M., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, and that the voting places will be as follows:
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 Precinct No. 2: Duncel Junior High School 22600 Twelve Mile Road
 Precinct No. 3: Warner Junior High School 30303 West Fourteen Mile Road
 Precinct No. 4: East Junior High School 25000 Middlebelt Road
 This notice is given by order of the Board of Education of said school district.
 HELEN PRUTOW
 Secretary of the Board of Education
 Dated: April 2, 1980
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