

Readers lining up to join Big Oil boycott

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Editor:
I wish to suggest that Mobil Oil Corp. be put at the top of the list as a candidate for boycott. I have observed that they are the most reluctant to comply with rules governing the selling of gasoline — no posted prices, seldom showing conversion figures, making it difficult to know gallon prices when they switch to metric system.
It would seem to me, at the rate they're going, the oil companies could still make unreasonable profits if the price of gas remained at about one dollar per gallon.

ANN GOULD
Redford

Editor:
This note is to let you know we protest the oil companies taking us to the cleaners with their prices, and we think Shell Oil Co. should be the first one to feel a boycott.

VIRGINIA HOCKING
Plymouth

Editor:
I would like to boycott Exxon. The price of gasoline should not be more than \$1 a gallon.

DONALD J. KIPPOLA
Plymouth

Editor:
We wish to nominate Standard Oil to put the squeeze on first. We are retired eight years, and no matter how we try, we cannot make any headway because if we get a Social Security raise, it's gone before we can get any use from it.

It's a wonder no one points out so many of us take a loss in most things and have no way to recover it as do the big corporations. They want to keep the underdog down so he has no way to talk back.

THOMAS MCCOMB
Livonia

Editor:
Your article in the Observer & Eccentric says it all. As to which company to boycott, draw straws — they're all guilty as hell. With the price of no lead approaching \$1.50 per gallon and more goodies yet to come, something must be done to stop this madness. I personally feel that a 50- to 60-percent reduction in prices would put us back in the ballgame and still keep the oil barons out of the bread lines.

HUGH P. MCGAHON
Westland

Editor:
Lean on Amoco-Standard Oil. Based on current supply and demand, prices should be dropping, not rising. Decrease prices 30 cents per gallon. (Amoco's) credit policies are shaky, too. They forever juggle billing dates to their advantage.

J.P. RYAN
Farmington Hills

Editor:
You have my support and help if needed. Best idea in years. I'll go at any oil company, but it appears to me Shell requires a "spanking" the most.

JOHN RUDEKICK
Plymouth

Editor:
My vote for boycott target No. 1 is Shell Oil Co. Cock it to 'em.

R.J. TANK
Plymouth

Editor:
What can I do to help? I have been advocating this (boycott idea) for several years and have talked to my fellow workers about it. We have been ripped off for long enough and it is time to act with thousands of supporters.
Suggestions:
Find out which oil company is the owner of the greatest number of stations (not franchised).

People could display the boycott and "target" on a shirt board from the cleaners in their car windows.

DALE PUGLISE
Farmington

Editor:
Give them all a drubbing, but be heavy on Shell Oil. Let's hope we live long enough to see the oil companies in the same fix as the auto companies.

ELMER BARRINGER
Detroit

Editor:
You name the company that we are to boycott, and we'll spread the word.
As retirees, the prices being charged are really hurting us.

JUSTINE & ANDREW NELLIGAN
Farmington

Editor:
Excellent idea. Wish we could boycott them all. However, I have noticed that the first raises each time seem to (be) your friendly Standard, is that Exxon, etc.? Whichever — when you tally up, we will gladly boycott the winner. When the oil companies finally get all the cash we have left, where are they going pile it? Or are they building a mountain of their own? How much is enough to these moguls?

MARGE & GLENN STOCK
Farmington

Editor:
How come, in this day of surplus stocks of oil, decreased usage of same, we have rising prices? We are lining a lot of pockets and not doing any good for the rest of the world. I, for one, will walk, hitch, ride my bike — anything — not to buy gas.

Prices must stop rising or good-bye, economy.

DAVE DAMBRUN
Southfield

Editor:
Boycott Exxon.

JEROME WOZNY
Walled Lake

Editor:
Count me in. As to which company and how much (the price should be decreased), the Shell in my neighborhood is the first with the most when it comes to price increase. But pick any one 'til they're out of business or the others fall in line at 50 cents a gallon.

Sure hope you can really get this thing going. If we, the paying people, don't start somewhere, we're all going to hell in a handbasket in a hurry.

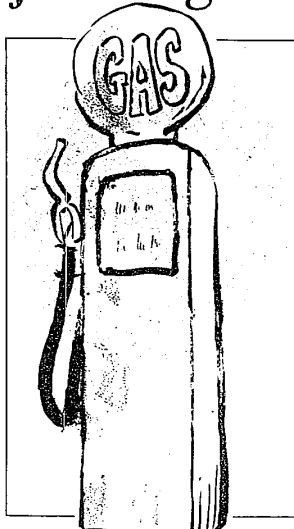
RUBY PYZIK
Livonia

Editor:
Start with Mobil first. Gas should be brought to (a) \$1 level.

LEO SALTZ
West Bloomfield

Editor:
We are protesting the insatiable greed of all the oil companies.
Let's start with Exxon. Enough is enough.

MARIE & DAVID HANS
Farmington



Editor:
The price of gas has just about put our driving out of existence. We are retirees. Our grandchildren are in northern Michigan. We would love to see them at least a couple times a year and see the new \$75 million bridge that was started before it was approved.
As it is, at least the well-to-do will be able to use it. I am particularly against Shell.

HELEN E. SHEPARD
Livonia

Editor:
Believe me, I am more than delighted to get in on any oil company boycott. I may be even more radical than others in this respect as I am a firm believer in rationing. This is the only way I can see for the poor and low-income people to afford their equal share of this necessary energy.

I prefer to boycott Shell Oil at once because they are, at the present, raping Michigan.

I will go along with the need for conservation of this valuable form of energy, which rationing would effect, but I sure can't see lining the pockets of oil companies and being held over a barrel at the same time.

ROBERT SHEPARD
Livonia

Editor:
I can just see the bigshots at Shell Oil after only one week of boycott. Their tanks would be so full that they would have to consider giving the gas away.

I have served 25 years in public service. I would be willing to volunteer my services to you on this project in any way you so determine. I personally feel that we

would be attacking the worst gangsters in the country by our efforts.

EDWIN J. GLEZA
Retired chief of Redford Township Police
Plymouth

Editor:
As an owner of a trucking firm, we are being hurt terribly by the unreasonable prices of diesel fuel as well as gas. We are showing absolutely no profit in our business, and if we cannot operate, we cannot keep our employees out of the unemployment line.

We have a bulk storage tank for diesel fuel that used to cost \$400 to fill four years ago. Today it costs \$1,200. I would be more than willing to participate in a boycott of any oil company.

LEWIS E. HOWARD
President of Lewis E. Howard Trucking Inc.
Westland

Editor:
For openers, Standard Oil — No. 1 target. Next for sure, Shell, then Exxon.

You started this boycott, now let's do it! My personal boycott has been Standard Oil and Shell. Let's drub the greedy bums.

FRANK CARCONE
Troy

Editor:
I'm sure I speak for many, many people who do not write when I say that, with prices going up day after day, it scares my husband and me. We wonder if we dare try to keep our car we finally paid for that only gets 15 mpg or should we go into debt for another that the government says will get only 21 mpg but ends up giving 16 — and we can't afford it in the first place.

How can we plan a vacation when we're not sure we can afford the trip up north. It certainly makes a person apprehensive when by summer we can anticipate \$2 a gallon for gasoline. I vote to take the first whack at Exxon.

JOAN S. PROCTOR
Southfield

Editor:
I am certainly not opposed to profit making in the open market place. However, natural resources are the possession of all the people, and a few corporations should not have the privilege of profiting from what belongs to the general public.

SANDRA BROWN
West Bloomfield

Editor:
We are boycotting Mobil, Shell, Texaco, Union 76, Gulf and Amoco profiteering with excess profits from unfair gasoline prices. Send this letter to Ronald Reagan, pres. Let me know of any other thing I can do.

RICHARD E. ELDER, M.D.
Pontiac

Editor:
Right on! I'd like gas down to 75 cents per gallon tops. I also feel strong that the oil companies will not use the profits from high gas prices to drill for new oil. They'll just bleed us as much as they can until we say "Enough." We should boycott one major oil company at a time, till they all get the idea.

THERESA LIGNOWSKI
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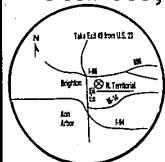
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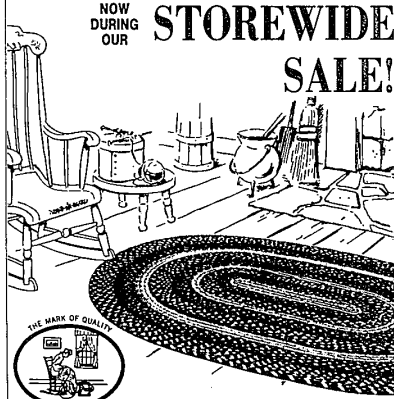
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