

## **GREAT's 2019 Paddling Clinic**

**Join Grand River Environmental Action Team (GREAT) at our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Paddling Clinic on Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup> from noon to 4:00PM at Vandercook Lake County Park!** Bring your own canoe or kayak, or use one of ours – learn safety, techniques, first aid, and more! We'll be located at the Vandercook Lake Co Park Boat Launch at the west end of Avenue C/Floyd Rd., Jackson.

This year we are having the United States Coast Guard Aux., Jackson County Conservation District, Jackson American Red Cross, Krupa's Boat Mart, Jackson County Parks Association, Henry Ford Allegiance Health Trauma, Upper Grand River Watershed Alliance, Quiet World Sports LLC, Michigan DEQ/ EGLE, and Michigan DNR.

At the Clinic you will learn rules of the road on the water, how to safely get back in your boat if you fall out, how to take your pet with you paddling, how to deal with a physical emergency on the water, places to paddle, how to keep your boat free of invasive plants, the right boat and paddle to buy, the right life jacket (for you and your pet) to purchase, how to join the 2020 Grand River Expedition and more!

Everyone is welcome! – whether you've participated in GREAT events in the past or this is your first time joining us. If you kayak or canoe, this is definitely an event you won't want to miss!

We look forward to seeing you there!