

Canoe Trip: The Department of Geography and the River Systems Institute are leading a canoe trip on Saturday 29 March on a section of the San Marcos River near Luling that has been designated as a Scenic Waterway by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

See this link:

http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/publications/pwdpubs/media/pwd_mp_t3200_1192.pdf

Except for volunteer staff, this trip will be limited to forty (40) participants in the University Seminar program. The details of the trip are as follows:

- Leave campus on bus at 1000 on Saturday, 29 March
- Arrive at Zedlar Mill Put-in at 1030
- Conduct safety briefing and depart put-in at 1100
- Arrive in Luling at take-out approximately 4 hours later...~1530-1600
- Return equipment to canoe/shuttle vendor
- Board bus and proceed to City Market BBQ for meal
- Depart Luling at 1730 and arrive on campus ~1800

Trip leaders are Drs. Richard Earl, Donald J. Huebner, and James Kimmel of Department of Geography. We will also have 3-4 river experienced students as volunteer assistants on the trip. On the trip we will periodically make stops and discuss the natural history and cultural geography of this stretch of the San Marcos River. This is calm and relatively hazard free portion of the river. Nevertheless, flow conditions on the specific date of the trip may require changes to the route. This program will provide the students with a unique educational experience, familiarity with careers involving rivers, and a life long memory of the unique qualities of the San Marcos River and the issues involved in its long term stewardship.

And it only costs students \$10. What a great deal! It might be a great opportunity for you and some of your students to do something exciting together. I've been down a lot of the river and it's beautiful and well worth the effort to do this. Please encourage your students to contact Drs. Earl, Huebner & Kimmel for further information – and to sign up.