The Muskegon River is the second longest river in Michigan and is what attracted the original settlers to this area with its captivating "big rapids". Today this magnificent river continues to capture the attention of residents and tourists alike. What better way to enjoy not only the majestic colors of Mecosta County but also experience the magnificent Muskegon River at the same time. Take a unique color tour by either canoeing or kayaking down the spectacular Muskegon River. Bring your own or Canoes and kayaks can be rented locally.
Fall Color Tour
Driving Directions

**SET YOUR TRIP METER.** Begin the fall color adventure at the corner of State St (Old 131) and Maple St (M-20). Turn East on Maple St, over the Muskegon River. Turn right (south) at traffic light. At Colburn Ave, turn left (east). National Guard Armory, you are now traveling on 16 Mile Rd. At 8.2 miles the road curves (north). At 11.2 miles Chippewa Lake will be on the horizon. Approaching the lake keep right (northeast). Follow Chippewa Lake Rd, which will turn into 20 Mile Rd heading toward Barryton. At 19.2 miles you will reach the Barryton city limits & 19.7 miles you will arrive at M-66. Turn right (south). As you pass thru Barryton your trip meter should read approximately 20.4 miles. If you feel courageous, take a side trip west, along this stretch of M-66 (17 Mile Rd or 11 Mile Rd). Both are beautiful routes. At 30.4 miles you will reach the intersection of M-20 & M-66 in Remus. Turn right (west) on M-20. At 34.4 miles M-20 will curve north. Turn left at the curve onto 9 Mile Rd toward Canadian Lakes (west). Follow 9 Mile Rd to School Section Campground at 90th Ave, 36.3 miles, and turn left (south). At 36.8 miles turn right (west) on Buchanan Rd continuing through Canadian Lakes. At 41.8 miles, look for 2 old school houses, one on each side of the road. Turn right (north) at the next road, 150th Ave. At 47.6 miles you will arrive at M-20 again. Cross M-20 (north). Pass Clear Lake and Meceola GC, round the curve at 48.4 miles (west). At 49.1 miles you arrive at a stop sign. Go straight and continue west. Follow M-20 back to Big Rapids.