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## **Rolling on the River, doubled 48th Annual Mid-American Canoe & Kayak race features TWO race lengths**

AURORA, Illinois (June 1, 2009) Hit the rambling waters of the Fox River at the 48th annual Mid-American Canoe & Kayak Race Sunday, June 7—this year with a twist.

The Mid-American race will, for the first time, feature two race lengths—a 10 mile stretch beginning in St. Charles and a six-mile ride launching in Batavia. Both races will finish at McCullough Park in Aurora followed by a post-race party and awards ceremony.

This is an amateur canoe race for paddlers of all ages and abilities featuring 10 canoe and 6 kayak divisions. First-place awards will be given to the winners in each division for both races.

Event launches:

St. Charles to Aurora: 10 miles, 3 portages.

Batavia to Aurora: 6 miles, 1 portage

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ABOUT THE AACVB:

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