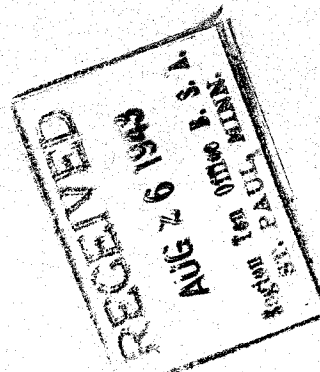


REGION TEN
WILDERNESS CANOE TRIPS
RECORD OF PADDLE AWARDS

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COUNCIL	Gamehaven Area Council
DATE OF TRIP	August 9th - 17th, 1943.
GUIDE	Ed Woolverton

PADDLE AWARDS : DATE
BRONZE 9/29/43 - Through Regional Office,
GOLD
SILVER



Date _____

Boy Scouts of America
Region Ten,
1112 Minnesota Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Please Print

I hereby apply for the

Bronze Paddle Award

I have completed all requirements for this award (see evidence
attached).

My height is 5 foot 6 in

Scout or Scouter Thomas Johns

Address 761 West 7th St. Minneapolis Minn.

Approved by Guide Ed Woolverton

Approved by Director _____

Approved by Scout Executive Wayne Hopkins

COUNCIL GAMEHAVEN AREA COUNCIL

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1943 SCOUT CANOE TRIP LOG.

AUGUST 9 MONDAY

Left Winona Minnesota for Rochester. Time seven PM. Arrived there at eight thirty and registered at the Rochester Hotel. Then went to the show "Pilot #5". Went to the hotel at eleven thirty with Alan Maxwell and slept in Room #103.

AUGUST 10, TUESDAY

Got up at four thirty and went over to the First Ave. Building where a Stewartville School Bus picked me up and twenty four other boys. We all left town at a quarter after five. We ate lunch at Virginia Minnesota and arrived at camp about five o'clock. We registered and were given packs, paddle and ground cloth. After putting up our tents we went to bed.

AUGUST 11, WEDNESDAY

We got up about six o'clock and were divided into two groups. One group was to fish and the other to travel. I was in the fishing group with eleven others and a guide who cooked. After eating our breakfast we left the base, went northeast a mile and a half in Moose Lake, two miles in Newfound Lake arriving at the first portage after passing thru Sucker Lake one and a half miles. This is called Prairie Portage. We had four canoes; two of them river canoes fourteen feet long, one lake canoe of the same size and one twelve foot fancy cedar canoe owned by the guide Ed Wolverton. Each canoe carried four packs and three people. One pack for each person and the extra pack for food, cooking utensils and tents. On all the portages one person carried the canoe and the other two people carried the packs.

At the end of our first portage we arrived at Bayley Bay. Two miles up the north shore we stopped at a ranger station and bought Canadian fishing licenses. This station marks the Canadian boundary in this territory. It was also the beginning of our second short portage that ended at Birch Lake. After a mile we had to portage again into Sunday Lake where we stopped to eat our dinner. Two miles up Sunday Lake we portaged again. This time the portage was the longest of the trip, one mile. Here we met another group going the other way. At the end of this portage we came to Bass Lake. Going about a block we portaged into Lake Agnes. A mile north we ate supper and portaged up Louisa Falls into Louisa Lake. After paddling up the lake about five miles to its upper end we camped for the night.

AUGUST 12, THURSDAY.

We slept this morning until about nine thirty, fished all morning and caught only one lake trout. During the afternoon we explored and found an indian grave near camp. The only signs of wild life were bear tracks and beaver dams. We ate supper and went to bed early.

AUGUST 13, FRIDAY.

We got up late again. After eating and packing we started back down Lake Louisa against the wind and the going was slow. We arrived at the Falls Portage at two thirty and ate dinner. Once in Lake Agnes we put up our sail and let the wind take us up the lake five miles where we made a new campsite and staid for the night. Here we had our first good fishing on the trip catching six or seven walleyes. They made a good meal for the evening.

AUGUST 14, SATURDAY.

Up early this time, we packed and paddled two miles north on the lake where we saw two other groups of canoeists. One group was traveling from the Scout Canoe Base. This group put out a forest fire the night before. The Canadian Forest Rangers came the next morning and asked about the fire. Not much damage was done. The fire was caused by careless campers the day before. At this point we turned off and portaged into Silence Lake and ate dinner. We caught some more fish while we were traveling on to our next portage into Nuisance Lake. On the other side of this lake, a block away was the last portage of the day which took us to Summer Lake where we camped for the night. While looking for our campsite for the night I caught two northern pike. One of them was about sixteen pounds and the other about half this size. Here we saw two beaver.

AUGUST 15, SUNDAY.

We spent this day on short trips and portages from Summer Lake to Noon Lake to Shade Lake to West Lake where we went over beaver dams to North Bay and ate supper. It was early so we went on two miles before we camped for the night.

AUGUST 16, MONDAY.

The wind changed to the north this morning so we put up our sail again as we turned into Basswood Lake. We saw our first bald eagles here. With the help of the wind we made good time going five miles in an hour and a half. Eleven miles south west we came to a bay and portaged into Wind Lake. After a short paddle we made our final portage into Moose Lake arriving at the Base about three oclock. At wind Lake we saw some deer and fished for the last time catching four walleyed pike.

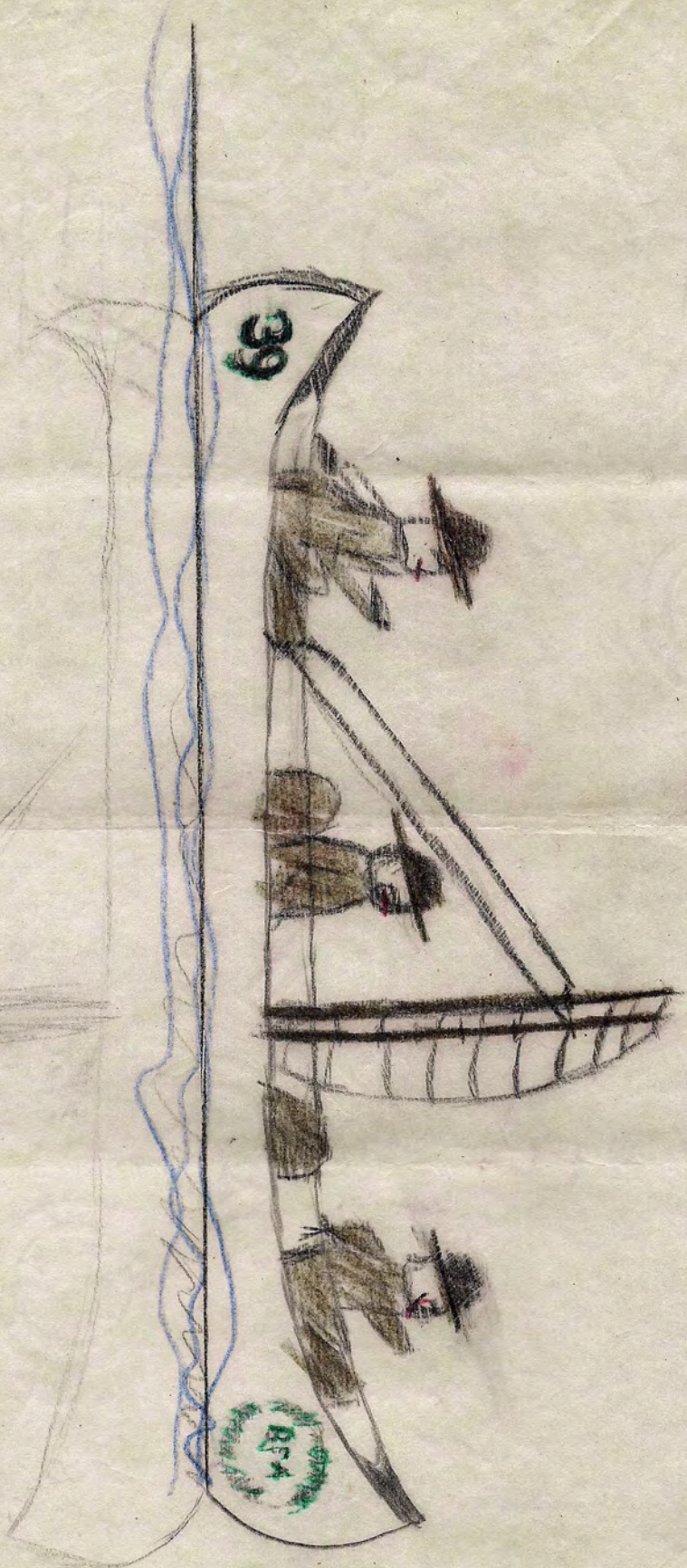
We started for home as soon as we could get away and traveled south to Virginia where we spent the night. Those of us who could, slept in the bus and rest went to a tourist cabin near by. This was the only cold night of the whole trip and we were uncomfortably cold.

AUGUST 17, TUESDAY.

After an uneventful trip we arrived at Rochester about four oclock. Our Scoutmaster Mr. Fishbaugher came with his car in time to get us home for supper.

Thomas Jones





Thomas John



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