**REGION TEN**  
**WILDERNESS CANOE TRIPS**  
**RECORD OF PADDLE AWARDS**

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*paddle lost in mail*  
*Anniversary 2/7/44*
Dear Sir:

On October 4th I received a letter from you concerning my application for the Bronze Paddle Award.

The letter said that you had found everything in order and had sent the award under separate cover.

Though your first letter reached me, the second has not yet arrived. I am sure some mistake has been made in the post office or at the wayfarist. There was another Duane Young in the city at that time. I await your further consideration.

Sincerely,

Duane Young
Dear Mr. Cooper,

I have not been able to locate the missing canoe paddle. The post office did not send the other canoe Young this package as they do not forward packages when Young moved away in 1941.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. The paddle means a great deal to me.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Postmark: FEB 14 1944]

[Notation: Sent Paddle 2/27/44]
January 5th, 1944.

We are trying to trace a canoe paddle addressed to Duane Young. He was formerly of Clinton, Iowa, but now lives in Clarion, Iowa. We think the paddle might have been sent to Clinton. Any information you can give us will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA.
Region Ten,
1112 Minnesota Bldg.
St. Paul, Minnesota.
Post Office,
Clinton, Iowa.
January 4th, 1944

Scout Duane Young,
615 Central Ave. East
Clarion, Iowa.

Dear Scout Young:

On checking at the office here, we find that your paddle was mailed to you parcel post on or about the time we wrote you — (October 2nd or thereabouts).

We suggest you check at the local post office. It is unlikely that they receive many paddles and they will probably remember yours because of its unusual shape. Just the blade is wrapped.

If you can't trace it through your local office, let us know. You should of course, talk to the other Duane Young, if you can locate him.

Sincerely,

Ben F. Conger,
Deputy Regional Executive.
SOMMERS CANOE BASE
PADDLE AWARDS

A Bronze, Gold, and Silver Paddle is available to any Scout or Scouter participating in any Region Ten Canoe Trip, who successfully meets the following requirements.

BRONZE PADDLE

1. Submit at least three clear photos taken by yourself on the trips showing something of real interest and submit a story, diary, or log of the trip taken or a printed news article of the trip submitted by yourself.
2. Be able to identify the following with ease:
   Four trees best suited for lumber.
   Two trees used in the building of canoes, (both primitive and modern canoes).
   Three trees best suited for the making of canoe paddles.
   Four of the best woods for camp fire cooking.
   Four edable fruits in the woods.
3. What tree might be used for improvised shelters? For beds? For pot hooks?
4. Make a satisfactory pot hook and put it to use while on the canoe trip.
5. Take part in a definite clean-up of some dirty campsite left by others.

GOLD PADDLE

Have fulfilled the requirements for the Bronze Paddle and have participated in Region Ten Canoe Trips, a total of 12 days on two or more trips.

1. Send in at least three clear photos taken by yourself on the trips showing something of real interest and submit a story, diary, or log of the trip taken or a printed news article of the trip submitted by yourself.
2. Has "guided" his group over unknown territory using map and compass for a period of one day with little or no help from the guide.
3. Has planned and cooked one meal for his group under supervision of guide.
4. Can identify the kinds of fish found in the Canoe country and give their habits and methods of catching each fish.

SILVER PADDLE

Have fulfilled the requirements for the Bronze and Gold Paddles and have participated in Region Ten Canoe Trips of not less than fifteen days.

1. Send in at least three clear photos taken by yourself on the trips showing something of real interest and submit a story, diary, or log of the trip taken or a printed news article of the trip submitted by yourself.
2. Has identified with ease forty different trees and plans and know the commercial value of each and have stated value to animal as well as human fire. (attach a list of plants and trees)
3. Report on some good deed to the State of Minnesota while on the canoe trip involving Conservation and Forestry.
4. Pass the "Mystery Test" of a Wilderness Camper.
5. Submit satisfactory written report on the early history and use of the waterway over which the canoist traveled.

Scout
Buie Young
Address

Has satisfactorily met the requirements (except No. 1 in each case) for the Bronze Paddle Award and has met our approval in matters of Scouting conduct.

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When all items completed, forward to K. G. Bents, Region Ten Office, 1112 Minn. Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.
Wilderness Camp Trip

After a long drive we arrived at the Charles L. Sumner Wilderness Camp. Our car caravans are the scouts of Me_nbago Council from Mason City, Charles City, Hampton, Clarion, and Eagle Grove. That night in a meeting with our guide, we decided to come around Hunter's Island, a total distance of one hundred fifty miles.

The following morning, which was a Monday morning, we set out. There were four canoes, with three to a canoe with four or five people in each one. We had dried foods and canned foods, supplies. Luckily, we had little rain. The trip was only one light, two, which our guide Jack carried, was carried in his personal pack. Here for an account of the trip:

Mon. the 11th of Aug.: Set out from Rock on Morse Lake, paddled from Me_nbago and Lasher Lake. Portaging Prairie Portage. We crossed the American-Canadian Boundary. "Now we carry portage into Sunday. Left for more hours, and we were at Lona Falls for lunch of bread and sausage along with
plenty of fish eggs & lake water
That night we camped at the upper
end of Agnew Lake, having macaroni
and cheese for dinner with cabbage
to boil latter on we had apple pie

Yues 18 Aug. had pancakes, prunes, bacon for breakast
Up home Bowripi we at lunched after
a long portage around Chattterton
Falls, then on through Russell Lake
we camped on a little island between
Sturgeon Narrows & Russell fall.
Caught about 35 fish which were
intended the next morning ate till
night and had blueberry pie for

Wed 19th Aug. My and got a late start had fish
puises etc for breakast down
Sturgeon Narrows, sturgeon lake,
realigned river and into
luvin fall we camped for
the night at a portage between
luvin fall & twin fall doing
the day we made no less than
27 portage upstream and all
on the neck of the woods had
coffee, prune or grape pie for

lunch
Thurs. the 20 Aug. 1: Up late and had filling Great fort.

down McLean in Crooked Lake.

ranged Rebecca and Canoe Falls.

Had dinner on Blueberry Island

and row down the crooked Lake.

to camp on the other end of

the portage around Lower

Basswood Falls.

Fri. the 21 Aug.: Up early and Haged portage

down Basswood Lake.

We had lunch on a sandy

beach and then we were

camped at Basswood Point.

Tinned for the first time.

Sat. 22 Aug.: Paddled into the Lake after a late

breakfast.