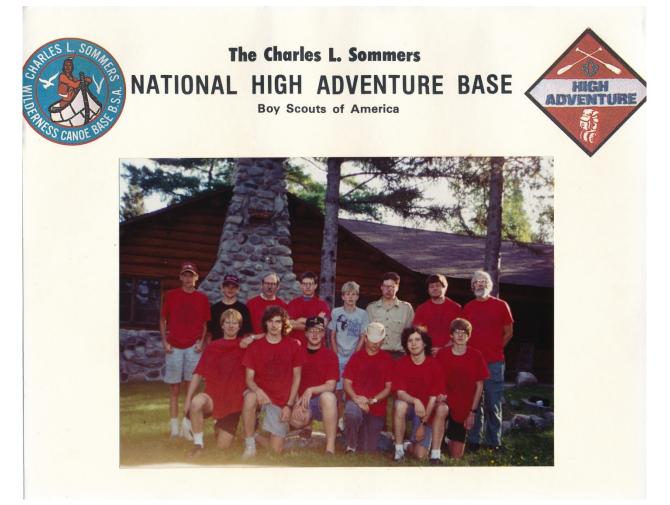
# **1994 Venture Trip**

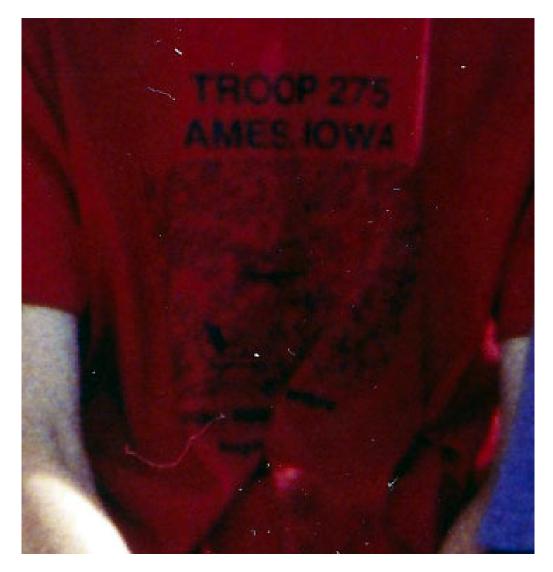
# August 6 – August 13 Northern Tier Canoe Base, Ely, Minnesota Troop 275 – Ames, Iowa

**1994 Venture Crew Photo:** 



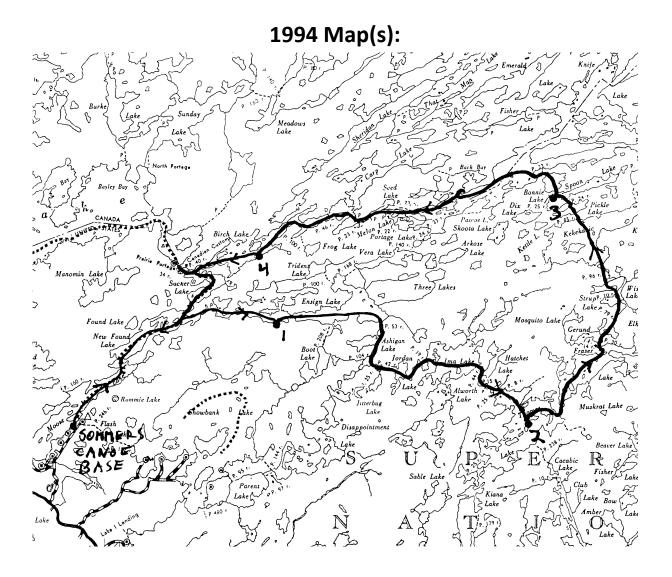
Back Row Left to Right: 1) Shawn McCormick, 2) Ryon Jeffery, 3) Tom Casey, 4) Steve Thompson,
5) Justin Horn, 6) Rob ? (Sommers Interpreter), 7) Frank Jeffrey, 8) Tom Meyer
Front Row Left to Right: 9) Dion Harmon, 10) Chris Meyer, 11) Brad Dale,
12) Joel Dumire, 13) Nathan Casey, 14) Evan Jeffrey

### **1994 Venture Crew T-shirt:**



We tried having shirts made for the Northern Tier-Ely trip and used a small place in campus town that did a terrible job. They went out of business a year or two later. The shirt had a map of the area in black ink on a red background. The map was barely readable.

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## 1994 Venture Crew Journal:

Troop 275 Venture Trip – Crew F Boundary Waters Ely, MN August 6-13, 1994

#### Saturday, August 6, 1994

- Left Ames around 8:30 AM.
- Mostly sunny with occasional light rain.
- Lunch near Minneapolis.
- Brief stop at REI.
- Fantastic view above Duluth.
- Camp in commercial campsite just north of Silver Bay, HN.
- Dinner: Pizza noodles or Turkey and dressing.

#### Sunday, August 7, 1994

- Spent morning on shore of L. Superior at Silver Bay.
- Frank Jeffrey finds the only agate.
- Lunch at Hardee's in Ely, then bum around for an hour.
- Arrive at Sommers High Adventure Base about 1:30.
- Meet Jeremy.
- Can't get into cabin we are assigned, have to go to incoming
- area.
- Equipment and food checkout.
- Take North Canoe out for a spin.
- Dinner at base camp.
- Training videos in the evening.

#### Monday, August 8, 1994

- Depart at 9 AM.
- Cloudy, light rain, and headwind.
- Travel through Moose L., camped on Ensign L. Dinner: stew, cobbler.

#### <u> Tuesday, August 9, 1994</u>

- Leave camp around 9AM.
- Go to Thomas L. via Irma, Hatchet, and Ashigan L.
- Walking up rapids, lots of portages.

- Very disorganized unguided scout group keeps us waiting at
- portage for more than 20 minutes.
- See bald eagles.
- Camp on island in Thomas L.
- Jeremy visits his friend at next camp site.
- Dinner: Noodles, MRE chicken, peas, oatmeal cookies, Hudson
- Bay bread.

#### Wednesday, August 10, 1994

- Traveled to Spoon L. via Kekabic, Pickle and Fraser L.
- Many portages.
- Saw our other crew at noon of the middle day.
- Late lunch (3 PM) because of looking for campsite.
- Beavers and beaver lodge.
- TM sprains his ankle in the campsite.
- Dinner: Mac 'n cheese, peas, cinnamon rolls.
- Zillions of stars. Noisy loons.

#### Thursday, August 11, 1994

- Arose at 7-8 AM, depending on who we are talking about.
- Late breakfast of hash browns and eggs.
- Evan spills boiling water, 2nd degree burns on leg.
- Travel to Birch L. via Knife, See, Watermelon and Carp.
- Lunch in Canada.
- How many pints are there in a cubic rod?
- Fail to finish the food in the food bag.
- Joel goes "swimming" while freeing a lure.
- Cheesecake, pudding, herb bread. No room for cake.

#### Friday, August 12, 1994

- Up at 6 AM.
- Travel to base camp via Prairie Portage.
- 15 to 20 MPH headwinds.
- Stop at Prairie Portage so Jeremy (aka Orwell) can pick
- up his reward for recovering a fishing pole it is a patch(!)
- Arrive at Sommers about 1:30 PM.
- Check in, then shower and sauna
- Dinner in base camp.
- After dinner "rendezvous" not our cup of tea.

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#### Saturday, August 13, 1994

- Leave Sommers around 9AM.
- Straight south to I35, then on to Ames.
- Lunch at McDonalds somewhere in Middle Minnesota.
- Arrive in Ames about 6:00PM, just in time for pizza bash at
- Valentino's.

#### Total miles: 1065

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