

# CREATING A SCOUTING LEGACY

Steve and Chris Zachow

Life can change in the blink of an eye. Dr. Steve Zachow, an acclaimed oncologist, knows this all too well. To Steve, an Eagle Scout, *Be Prepared* is much more than a motto.

*“When you see serious illness everyday and how quickly life can change, it keeps your focus on what’s important.”*

*-Dr. Steve Zachow*

For decades, Steve and his wife Chris have worked to prepare the youth of their beloved Jackson, Mississippi for their futures. As council president, volunteer, and a long-time supporter, Steve actively shares his love of shooting sports as well as his vision to equip the boys and girls in the Andrew Jackson Council with the tools they need to succeed.

Steve and Chris have a big vision. They want the kids of Mississippi to stay in their state and have successful careers, close to home.



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With almost 30% of children in Mississippi living below the poverty line, the need is great. The Zachows want to ensure all kids across the state have the opportunity to be Scouts - to learn character, values, and job skills to build a more successful future workforce.

***How will the Zachow’s Scouting legacy impact youth across the entire state of Mississippi?***

By establishing the Mississippi Scouting Enhancement Fund, the Zachows will provide a perpetual ongoing source of income to support Scouting in all councils in the state of Mississippi. It is the first state-wide Scouting donor advised fund of its kind.

The Zachows, along with other Mississippi leaders, are seeking additional donors to support this initiative. Working with the Boy Scouts of America National Foundation, the goal is to increase this fund to \$10 million over the next five years.



*To extend the Scouting tradition from your family to others, contact the Boy Scouts of America Foundation to help create you Scouting legacy.*



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R. Bruce Abernethy

Scouting has a special place in Bruce Abernethy's heart. Bruce's Scouting story began in 1947 as a Boy Scout in Nebraska. Camp Cedars, near Fremont, Nebraska, was Bruce's summer home. Over the next twelve summers, Bruce grew from a first year camper to an Aquatics leader, formed brothers through the Order of the Arrow and earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

*For many Scouts, as time passes, meetings replace hikes and campfires are replaced with gas fireplaces. Scouting only remains as treasured memories from the past.*

However, Bruce remained dedicated to Scouting even during his service to our country. As a Signal Corps Officer from 1959 - 1965, Bruce continued to volunteer in the Scouting program wherever he was stationed. Even in his twenties, he was ensuring the Scouting program could be delivered to others.

Scouting has been a consistent thread through Bruce's life fueling his passion for service and the outdoors. Today, Bruce enjoys seeing the fire of excitement in young Scouts as he teaches them his knowledge and love of rock climbing. Incredibly, Bruce's dedication, involvement, and love for Scouting has remained active for his entire life.



R. Bruce Abernethy

*How will Bruce continue his Scouting legacy for future generations?*

Bruce was able to turn his legacy of Scouting memories into a financial legacy, providing for the future of the Cornhusker Council. Several years ago, Bruce created a charitable gift annuity to provide for the future of the Cornhusker Council as well as provide personal income. He has been so pleased with the outcome, Bruce has since created several more annuities.

In 2011, Bruce created the R. Bruce Abernethy Endowment Fund to benefit the Cornhusker Council. Bruce's Scouting legacy will continue long after he passes as the proceeds from the charitable gift annuities will become part of this endowment. The endowment ensures Scouts for generations will have the strong Scout morals, ideals, and memories Bruce has held dear for more than 70 years.

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