

B.C. Clark Jr. Supporting the Boy Scouts

As a father, B.C. Clark Jr. witnessed firsthand the positive impact the Boy Scouts had on his two sons, Benton and Jim. During their Scouting days, he was an active volunteer and took part in many weekend camps with the brothers.

"I credit his support and encouragement to the fact that we both stayed the course and became Eagle Scouts," Jim says.

After his sons became adults, Mr. Clark remained a loyal supporter of the Boy Scouts – Last Frontier Council headquartered in Oklahoma City even as he was busy running the family business, B.C. Clark Jewelers. In 1962 he was awarded



the Silver Beaver Award, one of the highest honors awarded to adults who have made an impact on the lives of youth through distinguished service in their leadership, hard work, dedication and many years of service.

His support grew to include serving as chairman of the board in 1965-66 as well as providing monetary scholarships to ensure all Scouts could attend camping trips. Mr.

Clark also played an instrumental role in helping the Last Frontier Council raise the funds to secure the property that is now Slippery Falls Scout Ranch. Located in south central Oklahoma near Tishomingo and along the Pennington Creek, the ranch is the organization's premier Boy Scout camp. The overnight resident camp is a popular destination for more than 2,000 campers each year with features such as horseback riding, a climbing tower, shooting sports, aquatics and the Last Frontier Council's very own <u>Chickasaw Nation Indian Village.</u>

In 2003, Mr. Clark established an Advised Fund at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation and each year since has faithfully recommended grants to the permanent endowment fund of the Boy Scouts of America – Last Frontier Council. Mr. Clark turns 100 years old in 2013 and although he is no longer physically active with the organization, he continues his support thanks to his Advised Fund.

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