TROOP 52 NEWSLETTER April 13, 2025



Emmaus Catholic Parish | Bee Cave District | Capitol Area Council

Troop Meeting

April 14, 2025; 7PM

TTFC/Camporee Training: Lashings

@ Emmaus Catholic Parish

Monthly Campout

April 25-27, 2025

District Camporee

SIC: TBD

@ Wessendorff Ranch, Blanco, TX

PLC Meeting

April 28, 2025; 7PM

Patrol Leaders Conference (PLC)

Monthly Meeting Planning

@ Emmaus Catholic Parish

Parent's Meeting

April 29, 2025; 7PM-9PM

All Adults Invited

Formerly known as the Committee Meeting

@ Emmaus Catholic Parish



Congratulations to our latest Eagle Scouts!



Mikey Meade - Eagle Scout



Conrad Hansen - Eagle Scout

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Summer Camp Notes

Camp Alexander - Lake George, Colorado: June 14-22, 2025

Join us for the 2025 summer camp. Camp A is an excellent place to attend, especially to get out of the Texas heat for a week. Scouts will work on merit badges and rank advancement. There will be opportunities to go whitewater rafting, rock climbing, and many outdoor activities.

Each scout and adult has a total cost of \$725 and \$625, respectively. The first payment of \$250 is due on or before Nov. 1. Second payment of \$250 is due on or before Jan. 15, 2025, and the balance of \$225/Scout and \$125/Adult is due March 15, 2025

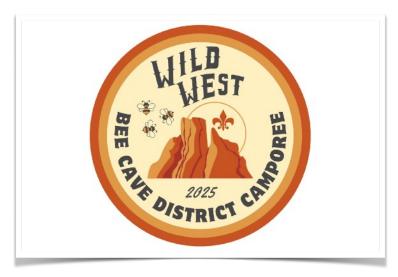
Whitewater Rafting is an additional \$120/attendee. The deadline to sign up and pay is April 1st, and the Scout Swimmer qualification must be passed before rafting.

SIC: Nico Sfeir



Directions to Camp A!

Watch this video about Camp Alexander!



Get Ready for Camporee: RSVP & Register Now!

With the District Camporee just around the corner, we continue to focus on sharpening essential Scout skills that will be tested during the competition.

This meeting will help every patrol prepare to succeed at Camporee. Whether you're a seasoned Scout or just getting started, this is your chance to practice, learn, and get ready to represent Troop 52 with pride.

Scout Skills at Camporee will consist of 6 areas testing Scout Skills based on requirements in the Scout Handbook for ranks 1st Class and below.

Each Patrol will need a compass during the Scout Skills events. The skills tested are as follows:

- Fire-Building, First Aid (each Scout should have a personal First Aid kit per Tenderfoot 4d), Knots, Lashings, Orienteering (1 compass provided by each patrol), Tent Set Up
- Each patrol should exhibit the Scout spirit and follow the Scout motto and law. While all the competition is going on, adult leaders will inspect Troop campsites for cleanliness and orderliness, and special contraptions erected at the campsite.

Be there, be prepared, and let's make this Camporee our best one yet!

Register: Troop 52 Store Camporee Payment

RSVP: Scoutbook Calendar Event RSVP

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Troop 52 Photo Albums:

If you need to check for the latest info, event photos or announcements, follow us on <u>Facebook</u> or on the <u>Troop 52 Website</u>

Scouting Factoids

Foggy Beginnings: The Boy Scouts of America was sparked in 1909 when a Scout helped Chicago publisher W.D. Boyce navigate London's fog—refusing a tip because it was his "good turn."

Bestseller Boost: *Scouting for Boys* by founder Robert Baden-Powell has sold over 100 million copies since 1908, ranking it among the top-selling books ever.

Eagle Elite: Only about 6% of Scouts earn the Eagle Scout rank—past recipients include Neil Armstrong and Steven Spielberg.

Wild Jamboree: The first World Scout Jamboree in 1920 featured an alligator from Florida, a baby crocodile from Jamaica, and a lioness cub from Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe).

Name Swap: In 2024, the Boy Scouts of America rebranded to Scouting America, reflecting over 196,000 girls joining since 2019.

Keep your eyes here for more fun facts about Scouting next month!





TROOP MEETING ACTIVITY PLAN

TTFC & CAMPOREE TRAINING - LASHINGS!!!

Station 1: Scout Rank (general)

- Leaders: Bill Menaghan + Troop Guide
- Focus is on newest scouts and learning the skills

Station 2: Tenderfoot Rank Requirement 7a

- Leaders: John Spotts + Troop Guide
- This would be for those working on Tenderfoot and ones working on Scout rank that want to start working on the next ranks
- We'll gather in the PLC and then John will take them out to flag pole in the courtyard
- -Flags: rotate between folding and lowering/raising since there's only flagpole
- We can also cover Second Class requirement 8b (also in the guide)

First Class stations will be rotational and we can go off schedule from the ones above (i.e., if we need to take a bit longer to complete)

Station 3: First Class Requirement 3 - Tools (lashings)

- Leaders: **George Popa** + Troop Guide
- Rotational station with #4 can we do this every 30 minutes (is that enough time)?
- Focus is on Scouts actively working toward First Class (but open to any Scout esp. those working on Tenderfoot or 2nd class)
- I would ultimately like to end up where they have demonstrated the skills and are able to get signed off
- I have 7 poles and lots of sisal from the trailer
- If the weather is OK, I recommend doing this out on the patio to avoid noise and getting the PLC dirty

Station 4: First Class Requirement 7 - First Aid

- Leaders: **Brian Spears** + Troop Guide
- Rotational station with #3 can we do this every 30 minutes (is that enough time)?
- Goal would be to get through a majority of the content