



# T52 NEWS



Emmaus Catholic Parish | Bee Cave District | Capitol Area Council

## Troop Meeting

**July 7, 2025; 7PM**

**Future Leadership and Annual Planning Prep**

@ The Lakeway Church

## Monthly Campout

**July 26, 2025 - TBD**

**Kayaking MB on Lake Travis**

Summer Activities underway and Annual Planning will set next Campouts.

## PLC Meeting

**July 28, 2025**

**Patrol Leaders Conference (PLC)**

**TBD**

@ The Lakeway Church

## Parent's Meeting

**June 29, 2025; 7PM-9PM TBD**

**All Adults/Parent's Invited**

Formerly known as the Committee Meeting

@ The Lakeway Church



**Congratulations to Summer Campers who attended Camp Alexander!**

We are glad everyone returned home safely today and look forward to hearing all the great stories of the adventures from Camp A and your whitewater rafting trip.



**Way to Go Philmont Trek 2025 619 C**

Keep up the hard work. As of now you are about 1/3 of the way through your Trek. Can wait to hear of your great adventure after you return safely.



## Summer Camp Notes

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

### SUMMER CAMPER'S

We wish you an awesome time @ Summer Camp. Come back with some great stories, adventures, and memories.

[Directions to Camp A!](#)

[Watch this video about Camp Alexander!](#)

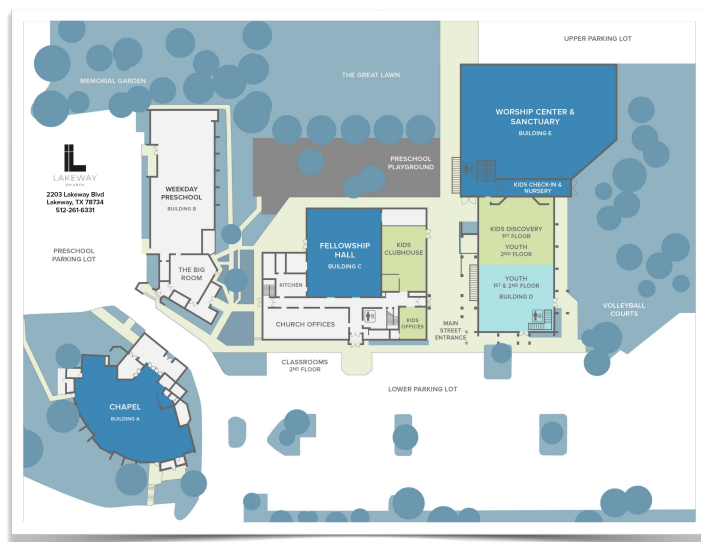


## Troop 52 Welcomes New Home at The Lakeway Church

We are excited to announce that the Troop 52 Committee has officially approved our move to a new meeting location and charter organization—The Lakeway Church. Starting **July 1st**, all Troop 52 meetings and activities will be held at The Lakeway Church.

This marks an important new chapter for our Troop. We are incredibly grateful for the support and hospitality of The Lakeway Church and look forward to building a strong, lasting relationship with our new charter organization. The church shares our commitment to youth development, leadership, and service, and we're confident this partnership will provide a strong foundation for our Scouts to continue growing and thriving.

Stay tuned for more details about our meeting space and upcoming opportunities to get involved with our new host. Let's begin this new adventure together with enthusiasm and Scout spirit!





## Gear Tips & Tricks: Summer Scouting

### Beat the Heat with Hydration

**Packs:** Summer hikes demand hydration. Use a lightweight hydration pack with a 2-liter reservoir for hands-free sipping. Clean it after each trip with a vinegar rinse to prevent mold.

**Quick-Dry Clothing Hack:** Pack synthetic or merino wool shirts and socks for summer camp—they dry faster than cotton and reduce blisters. Roll them tightly to save backpack space.

**Bug-Proof Your Tent:** Apply permethrin spray to tent seams and guy lines before summer outings to repel mosquitoes and ticks. Always ventilate the tent well to stay cool.

**Multi-Use Bandana:** A bandana is your summer MVP—use it as a sweatband, pot holder, or emergency sling. Soak it in cool water for instant relief on hot days.

**Gear Check: Flashlights:** Swap out batteries in your headlamp or flashlight before camp. Pack a spare set in a ziplock bag to avoid corrosion from summer humidity.



## Troop 52 Annual Planning Meeting: Shaping Our Future Together - July 12, 2025

As we look ahead to another exciting year of adventure, growth, and camaraderie, Troop 52 is preparing for our Annual Planning Meeting, a cornerstone event that sets the direction for our troop's success. This meeting is not just a date on the calendar—it's an opportunity for our Scouts to take the lead, dream big, and shape the experiences that will define their Scouting journey.

### When and Where:

The Annual Planning Meeting will be held on Saturday, July 12, 2025 from 9AM-2PM, at a location to be named soon. All Scouts, parents, and adult volunteers are encouraged to attend.

### Why It Matters:

The Annual Planning Meeting is where the heart of Troop 52 beats strongest. This is the time when our Scouts take charge, deciding what activities, outings, and goals will fill our calendar. From camping trips and service projects to skill-building workshops and high-adventure outings, the Scouts' voices drive the agenda. This process empowers our youth to develop leadership, teamwork, and decision-making skills while ensuring the troop's activities reflect their interests and aspirations.

Equally vital is the role of our parents and volunteers. While Scouts set the vision, parents and adult leaders are the backbone of executing the plan. Your commitment ensures we have the resources, transportation, and supervision needed to bring these activities to life safely and effectively. Whether it's volunteering as a trip chaperone, helping with logistics, or supporting troop events, your involvement makes all the difference.



## Scouting Summer Factoids

**Sunlit Adventures:** Scouting's summer camps, inspired by Baden-Powell's 1907 vision, offer activities like archery, swimming, and canoeing to build teamwork and confidence.

**Outdoor Cooking Craze:** Scouts master Dutch oven cooking at summer camp, baking cobblers and stews under the sun, a skill honed since Scouting's early days.

**Waterfront Wonders:** The Aquatics merit badge, earned at summer lakesides, teaches Scouts lifesaving, kayaking, and snorkeling, with over 50,000 badges awarded yearly.

**Nature's Classroom:** Summer hikes introduce Scouts to ecology, identifying plants and wildlife, continuing the 1910 tradition of nature study in Scouting programs.

**Campfire Chronicles:** Summer campfires unite Scouts for skits, songs, and storytelling, a ritual rooted in the first World Scout Jamboree of 1920 in London.

## Troop 52 Photo Albums:

If you need to check for the latest info, event photos or announcements, follow us on [Facebook](#) or on the [Troop 52 Website](#)



## What to Expect:

During the meeting, Scouts will:

- Brainstorm and prioritize activities for the upcoming year.
- Set goals for advancement, community service, and troop achievements.
- Collaborate to create a balanced calendar that includes fun, learning, and growth.

Parents and volunteers will:

- Learn about the Scouts' proposed plans and provide input.
- Sign up for roles to support the execution of the calendar, ensuring we have enough adult leaders and resources.
- Discuss how to align our efforts to meet the troop's needs while keeping safety first.

## How You Can Prepare:

- **Scouts:** Come ready with ideas! Think about the types of activities you'd like to do—whether it's hiking, canoeing, community service, or earning specific merit badges. Talk to your patrol members beforehand to gather input.
- **Parents:** Consider how you can contribute your time or skills. Even a few hours of volunteering can make a big impact. Bring your calendars to sign up for events where you can help.

## Why Your Participation Is Crucial:

Scout-led planning ensures our troop remains vibrant, relevant, and engaging for our youth. When Scouts take ownership of the agenda, they develop confidence and a sense of responsibility for their troop's success. Meanwhile, parent involvement guarantees that we can execute these plans safely and effectively, creating memorable experiences that build character and lifelong skills.

Let's come together to make this Annual Planning Meeting a success. Your ideas, energy, and commitment will shape Troop 52's future and ensure another year of adventure and growth for our Scouts.

P.S. Can't make the meeting? Reach out to [Tray Bates](#) to share your ideas or volunteer availability. Every voice matters!