



T52 NEWS



Emmaus Catholic Parish | Bee Cave District | Capitol Area Council

Troop Meeting

January 13, 2025; 7PM

First Aid Campout Training

@ Emmaus Catholic Parish

Monthly Campout

January 24-26 2025

First Aid/TTFC Campout

SIC: Brian Spears

@ Barton Creek Preserve

PLC Meeting

January 27, 2025; 7PM

Patrol Leaders Conference (PLC)

Monthly Meeting Planning

@ Emmaus Catholic Parish

Parent's Meeting

January 28, 2025; 7PM-9PM

All Adults Invited

Formerly known as the Committee Meeting

@ Emmaus Catholic Parish



First Aid/TTFC Campout January 24-26

First Aid is a cornerstone of scouting, essential for rank advancement, and vital for every outdoor adventure. Troop 52's first campout of the year is scheduled for this month, and preparation is key. Due to Winter Break and the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, our single troop meeting on January 13 will focus on meeting first aid rank requirements and earning the First Aid merit badge. Scouts, please prioritize attending, as we will review skills and receive instructions necessary for the upcoming campout.

Thanks to Brian Spears for leading this effort as the Scouter in Charge (SIC). For details about the campsite, follow the [campsite location](#). Access to the site is from the Hwy. 71 Gate, located [here](#).

Let's start the year strong with teamwork and preparation!



Congratulations to EAGLE Scout Blake Bates!

Troop 52 is thrilled to announce that Blake Bates has achieved the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout! This milestone represents years of hard work, dedication, and living by the Scout Oath and Law. Blake's achievement is a testament to his leadership and commitment to positively impacting the community. Congratulations, Blake! Your Troop 52 family is proud of you!



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!](#)



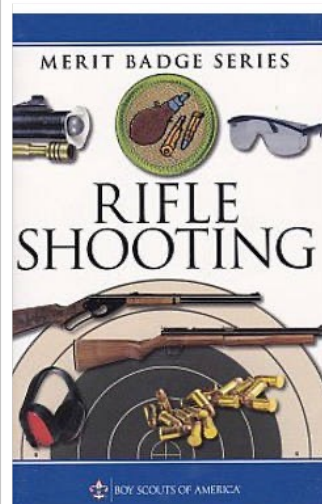
Aim for Adventure: Rifle & Shotgun Shooting Campout: Feb. 21-23

Get ready for an exciting weekend of skill and precision at Troop 52's **Rifle and Shotgun Shooting Campout**, scheduled for next month! This campout offers Scouts the opportunity to learn and practice safe firearm handling and shooting techniques under expert supervision.

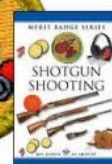
Whether you're working toward the **Rifle Shooting** or **Shotgun Shooting merit badges**, or just want to improve your marksmanship, this event is perfect for Scouts of all experience levels.

Stay tuned for details on what to bring. The location is at the Lost Pines Scout Reserve near Bastrop, TX. Don't miss this chance to hone your skills and have a blast! Remember, safety and sportsmanship always come first.

Mark your calendars and prepare for a weekend to remember!



**Over 350,000
Scouts have
Earned the
Rifle Shooting
Merit Badge**




**There's also
a Shotgun
Merit Badge**


Troop 52 Photo Albums:


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Scouting Factoids


 **Founded:** The Boy Scouts of America was established on **February 8, 1910**.


 **Eagle Scout Legacy:** Only **6% of all Scouts** achieve the rank of Eagle Scout.

 **Global Reach:** Scouting is active in **over 200 countries** worldwide.

 **Merit Badges:** There are currently **138 merit badges** available to Scouts, covering topics from **First Aid** to **Nuclear Science**.

 **Presidential Scouts:** U.S. Presidents John F. Kennedy, Gerald Ford, and Bill Clinton were all involved in Scouting.

 **Motto:** "Be Prepared" has been the Scouting motto since its inception, emphasizing readiness for life's challenges.

 **Did You Know?** The first Boy Scout Handbook was published in **1911**, with over 40 million copies sold since!

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



Webelos Crossovers Begin in February!

Cub Scout Webelos will start their journey into Boy Scouting in February, culminating in Troop 52's **Bridge Crossover** event on **March 3rd**. This is an exciting time to welcome new Scouts into our troop and celebrate their achievements.

In preparation for the Crossover, we will host a **trestle bridge build** on **March 2nd**. Both events will take place at the **Barton Creek Habitat Preserve Headquarters**, located at **11617 FM 2244, Austin, TX 78738**.

The Crossover will be a special occasion, led by **George Popa** as the Scouter in Charge (SIC) and supported by **Brian Russell** as the Grubmaster. Let's come together to make these events memorable for our new Scouts and their families.

Mark your calendars and join us for these significant milestones!

