



T52 NEWS



Emmaus Catholic Parish | Bee Cave District | Capitol Area Council

<https://troop52lakeway.us>



Congratulations to Jonathan Schulenberg!

Jonathan successfully completed his Eagle project on Saturday and Sunday with the help of several scouts. His project was building a new deer blind for the Nature Conservancy in Bee Cave. Since the conservancy frequently lets our troop go camping, Jonathan wanted to give back to them. Thank you to everyone who participated.

Troop Meeting – August 22, 2022 – 7:00 pm – Emmaus

Welcome back to school! Troop 52 is ready to go with some full speed adventure. The PLC voted to do first aid skills. We need several adult “victims” to portray symptoms to let the boys diagnose you. During the meeting, all Quartermasters will help to organize the troop trailer. **The Advancement Chair, Tray Bates, would like to meet with all ASMs and merit badge counselors in the Bat Cave at the troop meeting to discuss recent BSA updates to advancement. Please attend!**



A huge thank you goes to several adult scouts this past week as Troop 52 adults stepped up to ensure the troop continues to be the top troop in the Bee Cave District! Tray Bates, James Ezell, Matt Gomes, Mark Jackson, Carl Meade, Ken Semph, and Nico Sfeir spent their entire Friday night and all day Saturday for two consecutive weekends taking NRA Rifle Instructor training so that we may continue to offer rifle shooting in the troop. Congratulations to all seven of these newly certified NRA rifle instructors!



Trail to First Class

Congratulations to all the scouts who joined Mr. Schneider and Mr. Schulenberg for a five mile hike up Mount Lakeway to do some important work on rank advancement.

Upcoming Troop Meetings – August – September. – 7:00 pm – Emmaus

8/29 – Focus on Canoeing merit badge (Mr. Doggett) – There will also be canoe training with Mr. Schulenberg on the TTFC session on Saturday, 9/10, for anyone who misses.

9/4 – No meeting – Labor Day

9/12 – Canoeing Campout menu planning and packing review

9/19 – PLC



Canoeing Campout – September 17-18, 2022 – Colorado River, Utley Put-in @ FM 969

Scouts, our next campout will be our annual canoe trip down the Colorado River. You will receive instructions at the troop meetings leading up to the campout on how to pack, what to bring, and menu planning; so it will be important to attend all meetings if you are going on our trip. Scouts should have completed the annual swim test this past May. Please see instructions from Mr. Schulenberg below.

SIC: Jim Schulenberg

Canoeing MB Counselors – John Doggett, Jim Schulenberg

Travel Logistics: TBD

Friday: Canoe Rental Pick-up

Saturday, 9/17: Day on River

6:00 AM meet at Dillard's, roll call & ride assignments (we need drivers!)

6:30 AM Depart Dillard's for Canoe put-in at the Utley Bridge on FM969

Sunday, 9/18: Canoe Rental Return and Dillard's Scout Pick-up

Plan on Dillard's pick-up between 2-3 PM

We will not require Class A's for this event, class B's all the way!

Please:

PACK A LUNCH FOR SATURDAY ONLY - please, nothing that needs refrigeration. No coolers allowed!

PACK WATER. TWO LITERS MINIMUM. No sodas allowed.

PACK SUNSCREEN/HAT/LONG SLEEVE SHIRT

Please 'pack to protect' your gear from water hazards (dry bag or double bag your equipment)

Do not bring things that can't get wet - i.e. phones/electronics

If meds need to be administered, please connect with Mr. Schulenberg, and please ensure they are properly water-proofed for transport (i.e. double zip lock bagged)

Pack lightly - this is not car camping, & this is one night only, so minimize your load. Canoes are only so big... so bring:

tent, sleeping bag/pad, warm clothes, rain jacket, first aid kit, headlamp.

If you have a lightweight stove or Jetboil, bring it and fuel/matches

Water filtration device - lifestraw, platypus, micropur tablets, etc.

Remember proper footwear for both water and land use. No flip flops. Sandals should have a heel strap.



Archery Campout – October 28-30, 2022 – Volunteers needed! – Lost Pines

Attention parents:

We are confirmed for the first archery campout we've done since 2018. We have booked the archery range at Lost Pines for October 29, camping two nights. We are in need of one more parent to become certified by USA Archery as basic (Level 1) instructors. The Capitol Area Council has announced there will be an Archery instructor training on October 1, 2022 at the archery range at Lost Pines / Tom Wooten Camp in Bastrop. There is both classroom and a practical, shooting portion. We must have licensed instructors to use the range at Lost Pines. The troop will reimburse for the training after you volunteer at our campout. For more information about getting certified, please email James Ezell.



Fall Service Hour Opportunities

This fall there are many opportunities to earn service hours for both Troop and Community projects. Here are the current service hour opportunities for September, October, November and December.

Ongoing - Eagle Projects (Troop)

There are quite a few Life Scouts in our troop who are working hard on their Eagle projects this fall and they will need your help. Be on the lookout for separate emails regarding these unique Eagle project opportunities this fall. Remember someday you will need help from younger Scouts for your Eagle project - now is the time to *pay it forward!*

Saturday, August 27 (Community)

Volunteer to help to set up, clean up, and manage the kids arts project for the Lakeway Cool Arts Show. The City of Lakeway Arts Committee would like to have at least 4 older Scouts volunteer for the upcoming Cool Arts Show on Saturday August 27, 2022 at the Lakeway Activity Center (105 Cross Creek, Lakeway). Scouts should be at least First Class and 13 years old for this event. You can volunteer in the AM and/or PM shifts. If you are interested, please contact Ms Walters at sarahwalters1974@yahoo.com. For more information about the Cool Arts Show, visit lakewayartsdistrict.com.

Saturdays - Sept 10, Oct 8, Nov 12 and/or Dec 10 (Community)

Volunteer and help to clean up our local parks on the second Saturdays of the month from approx 8am-12noon. These opportunities can qualify for conservation service hours, depending

on the projects worked on. Visit either the Lakeway or Bee Cave website below to find out more details about how you can volunteer.

- Friends of the Park Lakeway - lakewayfop.org
- Bee Cave Friends of the Park Foundation - beecavefop.org

Saturday, December 17th - Wreaths Across America.(Community)

Volunteer to help distribute holiday wreaths to honor the gravesites in the Texas State Cemetery in Austin. More info coming soon.

Understanding Troop vs Community Service Hours

Eagle projects are Troop-based and do not require pre approval. However before embarking on any Community service hours project, remember to fill out the **Community Service Hours (CSH) form** to get approval from your patrol's ASM or a Service Hours Coordinator (Ms Dawson or Ms Cooper). You will also be required to have approval from the community representative in charge of the service project. The CSH form explains it all.

Use this link to the download the Community Service Hours Form:

<https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/c9c78b66-b90a-463e-bd5d-f56d564ec7e4/downloads/T52-CommunityServiceHoursForm.pdf?ver=1650645685582>



OA chapter leadership training at LPSR – August 27-28, 2022

Are you an OA member? Are you interested in serving in a leadership position in the OA? This opportunity is recommended for those OA members looking for Chapter or Lodge leadership positions. Adults encouraged to attend as well. Please email Mr. Kelbaugh for more information on attending.



NYLT winter spots are open

Scouts, if you are interested in attending NYLT (National Youth Leadership Training) this winter between Christmas and New Year's Day, please email Mr. Ezell. Troop 52 strongly encourages candidates for Senior Patrol Leader to attend the course.

The NYLT course centers around the concepts of what a leader must BE, what a leader must KNOW, and what a leader must DO. The key elements are then taught with a clear focus on HOW TO. The skills come alive during the week as the patrol goes on a Quest for the Meaning of Leadership. NYLT is a six-day course. In order to attend a NYLT course, a youth must have the following qualifications by the beginning of the course: be a registered member of a Scouting unit, have a current BSA Health and Medical Record form parts A, B, and C; must be at least 13, and have a Scoutmaster recommendation.

Details: <https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/troop-resources/nylt/>



Philmont 2023 Spots available!

--- We still have seven spots available ----

Great news for Troop 52!

We applied for - and received - 2 treks for Philmont in June of 2023. We will be leaving Austin on 6/24/23 and returning on 7/8/23.

We have room for 16 Scouts and 8 Adults to join in this adventure (many of these slots have been spoken for) so please sign up via Scout Book and secure your spot with a deposit by January 15, 2022.

Scouts will need to be 14 years old by 6/25/23 (or have completed 8th grade).

The 12-Day Reservation fee is \$1,500.00/person with payment schedule as follows:

- Deposit of \$160.00/person due 1/15/2022
- Advance of \$670.00/person due 9/1/2022
- Balance of \$670.00/person due 2/1/2023



Trail to First Class Activities

September 10 Lakeway City Park, lower lake level – Canoeing Prep

October 8 Lakeway City Park, upper pavilion

November – TBD

December 14 Lakeway City Park, upper pavilion

Each month Mr. Schulenberg will be hosting Trail to First Class workshops at Lakeway City Park. Beginning on April 9, these workshops will take place on the second Saturday of every month from 9-11 AM at the upper pavilion. We will focus on rank advancement skills and knowledge from Scout through First Class. All scouts are welcome to join in, to listen, learn, and participate. For the older scouts, this is an opportunity to earn rank advancement by helping to lead these sessions by demonstration the EDGE method.

During these 2 hour sessions we will work together through each of the requirements in Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class, including some of the more challenging activities such as first aid, knots, fire building, nature hikes, and the physical fitness requirements. Our goal is to have fun and learn from each other. Please see the Troop Calendar for workshop details.



Please use these photo albums to view and upload photos from our events:

Canyonlands Trailhead Hike (upcoming)

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/pnenBQqTbWBfp1sC7>

Jonathan Schulenberg's Eagle Project (upcoming)

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/FY79VfNtTv2rodRN6>

Aviation Merit Badge (upcoming)

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/aVNrJFkUN9GuYwwL8>

Afghan Families Service

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/Lfhu4JVcUhctWY386>

Electronics Lock-In

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/7iXfai3v5VXXf2Ug6>

Motorboating Merit Badge Class

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/2twhWApMiL4xXhHL9>

Court of Honor

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/xbZmLXKKma86BrUe7>

Environmental Science Merit Badge Workshop

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/AkXijM6htso9VrgT6>

Summit at Bechtel Reserve

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/n7y2rm2YGkmAanx69>

Northern Tier Trek

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/G4GcAhQJa5f8e1XV8>

National Weather Service Office Visit

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/gA5JXPxi28zzmyB37>

Summer Camp at San Isabel

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/zX1bY5FwD5J2Hv7s6>

Troop Blog

If you need to check for announcements on the troop web site, we do have a blog that gets updated by Tray Bates. You can access it here: <https://troop52lakeway.us/blog>

Remember!

