TROOP 52 NEWSLETTER March 30, 2025



## Emmaus Catholic Parish | Bee Cave District | Capitol Area Council

## **Troop Meeting**

March 31, 2025; 7PM

### **Camporee Training**

@ 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



# Get Ready for Camporee: Monday's Troop Meeting is Key!

This Monday's 7PM Troop 52 meeting is an important one you won't want to miss! With the District Camporee just around the corner, we'll 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.

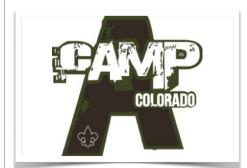
Scout Skills at Camporee will consist of 6 areas testing Scout Skills based on requirements in the Scout Handbook for ranks 1st Class and below.

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!

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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!



## **NEW "CLASS B" T-SHIRTS ARE IN INVENTORY**

Any size is available for \$18.00 each. Sizes available are: XS, S, M, L XL, 2XL



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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!





# Order of the Arrow Election @ April 7 Troop Meeting

Troop 52 will hold its **Order of the Arrow (OA) election** during the regular troop meeting on **Monday, April 7, 2025**. Representatives from the OA Bee Cave District will be present to conduct the official election.

The **Order of the Arrow** is Scouting's National Honor Society, recognizing Scouts who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. To be eligible for election, Scouts must meet specific requirements, including **rank and camping nights**.

## **Important Reminder:**

All Scouts who believe they may be eligible for election should **verify their camping nights are up to date**. Accurate records are essential to ensure your name is included on the ballot.

If you're not sure where you stand or need to update your records, please speak with your Senior Patrol Leader, Scoutmaster, or Advancement Chair **before April 1**.

Don't miss this chance to be recognized by your fellow Scouts for leadership, service, and cheerful spirit!

