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THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Appleseed Apartments: Building Community

Wednesday, November 18 | Guest speaker: Nate Rashke, New Braunfels Food Bank

FEATURED PROGRAM

Nate Rashke will share an update on the newly constructed Appleseed Apartments, including how the project came together, how it operates, who it serves, and its impact on New Braunfels.

MEETING AGENDA

01 Welcome & greetings
02 Invocation and song
03 Pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags
04 Guests, visiting Rotarians & announcements
05 Featured program: Nate Rashke
06 Four-Way Test & adjournment

DATES TO REMEMBER

NOV 18	**Regular club meeting** Appleseed Apartments presentation
NOV 19	**Club Social** Krause Cafe
NOV 25	**No meeting** Thanksgiving week
DEC 02	**Club Assembly** Club business and upcoming plans
DEC 08	**Rotary Blood Drive** Columbus Club Hall
DEC 09	**Christmas Wrapping Party**
DEC 16	**Making Spirits Bright**

THANK YOU, WURSTFEST VOLUNTEERS!

From mixing batter and frying Kartoffelpuffer to serving guests and cleaning up, our members, families, friends, and volunteers made Wurstfest a success. Thank you to Haley and the Wurst committee for bringing our Rotary family together in service and fellowship.

SERVICE & CLUB NEWS AT A GLANCE

Club Social | Nov. 19
Krause Cafe
Thursday

Rotary Blood Drive
Tuesday, December 8
Columbus Club Hall

Meet Eduardo
Get to know our Rotary exchange student!

Club Assembly | Dec. 2
Catch up on club business and upcoming projects.

Rotary Dues Reminder
Please ensure your dues are current.

Programs & Speakers
Review your 2026–2027 program assignments.

NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

This month, we recognize the Rotary Foundation and its role in helping Rotarians turn service into lasting change.

The Four-Way Test: Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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ACTIVE MEMBERS BY PROFESSIONAL CLASSIFICATION

130 active members | Current ClubRunner export | No personal contact details

Athletics - Gymnastics
Austin Jeffers

Capital Investments
Jim Poage

Computers - Internet
John V. W. Howe

Consulting Services - Direct Mail & POS
Robbie Van Camp

Contract Services - Illumination
Bill Biggadike

Contract Services - Roofing
Ami Feller
Patrick Tiseth

Energy Services
Jason Thomas

Engineering Services - Electrical
Blair Feller

Financial Services - Commercial Banking
Stephanie Lewis

Financial Services - Insurance
Patrick Kenney
Justin Meadows

Foodservice - Catering
Kathy Ann Meurin

Hospitality/Tourism
Haley Furlough

Legal Services - Paralegal
Shannon Densham

Medical Services - Hospice and Palliative Care
Chris Sitton

Medical Services - Optometry
Jeslyn Sabol

Philanthropy
Alice Jewell

Real Estate - Commercial
Mary Ann Carter
Will Henry
Steve Rodgers
Travis Taylor
Drew Traeger

Retail - Ladies Apparel
Marian Benson

Classification Not Listed (cont.)
Madeline Zwicke Dalman
Elizabeth Engelhardt
Zach Flynn
Amy Hodge
Doug Hurst

Automotive Services - Retail
Trey Palreiro

Church Administration
David Paulos

Construction - General Contractor
Marcus C. Ethridge
Glenn Roblin

Consulting Services - Education
Bill Lewis

Contract Services - Landscaping
Cooper Henk

Education - Teaching
Lynda Guy

Energy Services - Distribution
John Bedgood

Financial - Investment
Cristian Daniel Ramirez

Financial Services - Consulting
Bob Frese
Jim Gleaves
Marcie Griffin
J.P. Kesselring
Alex Ozuna
Sandy Payson
Richard Robbins
Jim Wissmiller

Government - Judiciary
Andrew Drake Leonie III

Legal Services - Bail Bonds
Nicole Guerra

Medical Services - Dentistry
Horacio Lucero
Jim Peck
Fred Willard

Medical Services - Veterinary
Kent Fischer

Psychology - Organizational
Bill Strickland

Real Estate - Development
Bonnie McGlothlin

Real Estate - Property Management
Jonathan Haag
John Manthey
Helgard Suhr-Hollis

Classification Not Listed
Robert Aguilar
Aimee Blackwell
Christine E Brown
Adam Bruchas
Amanda Craig

Classification Not Listed (cont.)
James Tipton

Biomedical
Skipp Wrape

Civic Org - Chamber of Commerce
Emily Hoffmann
Jonathan Packer

Construction - Sports/Athletic Facilities
Eric Pipkin

Consulting Services - Recruitment
Alanna Nichols

Education - Administration
Sharon Nittinger
Ron Reaves

Engineering - Environmental
Matthew Harrison

Financial Services - Accounting
Kirby Johnson

Financial Services - Farm & Ranch Finance
Britt Etheredge

Financial Services - Investment
Lindsay Haas
Trenton Leffingwell
Julie Rivas
Hunter Weilbacher

Government - State
Joyce Yannuzzi

Legal Services - Dispute Resolution
J. Ed Guillen Jr.

Medical Services - Hospital Administration
Mark Bernard

Nonprofit Organizations
Heather Harrison
Paul Schaefer

Real Estate - Agency
Carol Davanay
D. Lee Edwards
Eric Newland
Tish Parker
J. Boyd Vaughan
Tara Wilbanks

Solid Waste Collection Services
Wyatt Chandler Koch

Classification Not Listed (cont.)
Edoardo Mario
Craig Massouh
Dylan Miller
Jeffrey Moses
JJ Ramirez

Business Development Services
Ron Richardson Jr.

Computers - Information Technology
John Rucker III
Yusuf Ujjainwala

Consulting Services - Chamber & EDC
Michael Meek

Contract Services - HVAC
Chris Humphries

Contract Services - Rain Gutters
Chaz Gallagher Jr.

Employment Agencies
Huntor Borland

Engineering Services - Civil
Garry Montgomery Jr.

Financial Services - Banking
Al Borchelt
Joe Castilleja
Justin Hammack
Mark Hankins
Cuatro Rankin

Financial Services - Mortgage Banker
Randy Rodgers

Government - City
Christopher Greenwell

Legal Services - Attorney
Stephanie Bascon
Barron Casteel
Carter Casteel
Beverly Davidek
Dirk Davidek
John Dierksen
Morrigan Hardy
Matt Kyle
Lilia Marek
Tracie Wright Reneau
Christopher Ricks
Clay Robison

Real Estate - Office Management/Broker
Tracey Norris

Real Estate - Title Services
Heidi Aleman

Utilities - Public
Philip DeFrancesco
Reagan Peña

Classification Not Listed (cont.)
Kelly Rotzler
Jake Rutherford
Jordan Schwabe
Justin Seuferer
Will Stewart

2026-2027 CLUB LEADERSHIP

President: Marcus Ethridge | President-Elect: Travis Taylor | Secretary: Randy Rodgers | Treasurer: Al Borchelt