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This letter was written prior to suggesting our reopening to be July 1, 2020

Hi all, we hope everyone is well and not too bored. Quite a few I know are playing online and keeping their skills up. Beat up those Robots!!

I have gotten **input from most of the Board members and Directors** and we all pretty much agree. **May 11th would be too soon to reopen** the Club. A **better potential date would be June 1st, and that is a MAYBE, it could be longer.** 

Even with TX reopening businesses, we think it is premature to reopen the club. In fact, I totally disagree with ELP reopening. The Covid-19 infections and deaths in ELP are still on a steep rise. The Juarez death rate is higher than ELP and they haven't a clue as to the number of infections. With our vulnerable membership, we need to stay closed and see what happens over the next month. If the virus infection rate drops and there is not a spike in infections due to businesses reopening, then we can evaluate reopening June 1st. If infections do spike and we remain at high risk, we should stay closed. Better to wait than to risk our health. It's hard to play bridge and "social distance". Even with masks, it isn't a healthy environment with folks sneezing, coughing, handling cards, etc. and risking infection.

When we do open we need to address what our new normal may be: wearing masks, hand sanitizer readily available, taking temperatures of everyone entering, daily cleaning of bidding boxes, no food at the tables or

# in the kitchen, etc. We have a number of issues we need to address and prepare for.

If you have any questions or comments please let me know. Our best to all of you and hope you are staying safe and healthy. Ashley Erwin, Unit 159 president



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### UTEP Professor Named a 2019 National Academy of Inventors Fellow



**Ryan Wicker, Ph.D., (son of Tom and Dixie Wicker)** director and founder of The University of Texas at El Paso's W.M. Keck Center for 3D Innovation, has been named a National Academy of Inventors (NAI) Fellow. Photo: Ivan Pierre Aguirre / UTEP Communications. (Click photo to read the news story)



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