



President's Message August 28, 2018

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Thanks for your understanding concerning last week and my inability to send the weekly update.

Congratulations to Manor New Tech High School, the home of our Interact sponsored club, for receiving the All Eligible Distinction under the new State Account Grades. New Tech focuses on Science Technology Math and Science project based education. It has also received a bronze medal in the national rankings of US News and World Reports.

The DAP grant application has been completed and sent to the District for review and approval. I will keep you updated on its progress.

I am continuing to work on the Club calendar through Google calendar. It is still my goal to complete it by this weekend. Please send me any dates that you would like included in it.

This past Friday I met with the Club Presidents from West Austin, Southwest Austin, the Rotary Club of Austin, AG Sam Haddad and District Govern or 2019-2020 Jim Henry. Joining with other club presidents in the Austin area we hope to meet once a month on Fridays. It is an opportunity to share and discuss with each other.

The meeting with the Mayor has been postponed until early next year. It is hoped the new meeting will occur in late January or February 2019.

Club Updates and Announcements

- Our next Board meeting is Tuesday, September 4th. Please send me any agenda items by Saturday, September 1.
- The club social will be held on Saturday, September 22 at my house. I hope that you can join us. I will send additional information, as we get closer to the date.
- Jim Osbon continues to make amazing progress in his recovery and should be transitioning to a cane in the next few weeks.

Upcoming Events

September 4th: E-Club Board Meeting: 6:30 pm

September 8th: Hattsville 90th Club birthday

September 10th: Yoakum 95th Club birthday

September 15th: RYLA Roundup

Program

In the most recent Rotarian magazine President Barry Rassin noted in taking a snapshot of all the work done by Rotary in a given day that, “No one- except Rotarians-would believe that a single organization was capable of accomplishing so much. “ In thinking of the creativity that Rotarians have in helping to shape positive environments across the world I would like to share the TED talk of Shawn Achor. He is the CEO of Good Think Inc. and the author of *The Happiness Advantage*. Like Rotary it is his thesis that you can change realities through positive environments. It is both a funny and thoughtful talk.

https://www.ted.com/talks/shawn_achor_the_happy_secret_to_better_work

I look forward to seeing many of you on Tuesday. Have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day weekend.

Carol