

# The Metro Memo



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APRIL 15, 2020

Meeting conducted via Zoom videoconferencing



Happy Birthday to three Rotarians who will celebrate this week:

- Sandra Logan ..... April 16
- Craig Meyer ..... April 18
- Jim Stock ..... April 19

Today, Barb Danuser is celebrating 11 years as a Metro Rotarian.

On April 18, Margaret Conroy will celebrate two years as a Metro Rotarian.



A total of 31 members, visitors and guests participated in today's online meeting.



President Cathy informed members that the District Simplified Grant for 2020-2021 has been completed and submitted. The application requests \$3,200 (to be matched by Metro Rotary) for a three-year period. Metro's Partner in Education, the CPS Title I Program, will be the beneficiary of the funding for curriculum needs.

Metro Rotary will be contributing \$200 to the Boys & Girls Club to assist with their costs for providing meals to students.

The Rotaract fundraiser planned for June 14 is still on the calendar. Please watch for more details as the event date approaches.

## MEMBER UPDATE



Metro Rotarian Rob Bartel continues his recovery at University Hospital. Please note the following communication from his fiancé, Elaine Martin, that was forwarded to Audrey Spieler.

"Rob was able to sing happy birthday to me on Sunday. He was a little too emotional today to be able to pull off the whole song. We are looking for placement for him outside of the hospital and are having terrible luck."

Since the above text, Rob has been accepted to Landmark in Columbia to continue his therapy. Please keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers as he continues his recovery.



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Next week

Gary Link  
Tolton High School  
Athletic Director



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## Metro Rotarian Enjoys Antarctica – Part II

Last week, Metro Rotarian **Jean Leonatti** spoke to members about her January trip to Antarctica. Due to time constraints, her talk was cut short, and an invitation was extended for her to return and complete her presentation.

To recap, Jean and several fellow birdwatchers left Buenos Aires, Argentina on January 19. They cruised aboard the Coral Princess south to Antarctica and then back north to Cape Horn, South America and eventually docked at Santiago, Chile.

Jean continued showing some amazing photos from her trip, and she spoke about the wildlife and the environment. She noted that the temperature never fell below 32° Fahrenheit, however with the frigid water temperature and the high winds, the air was quite cold to the skin.

Her photos included penguins, a soaring albatross, whales and an impressive storm approaching her ship. Appropriately, a beautiful rainbow followed the storm, and her photos appropriately captured the wonders of nature.

