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'Metro Honor Roll' Will Salute the Graduating Class of 2005

- Annual publication to list 200-plus employee, family graduates

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(June 21, 2005) Metro will have one last graduation *hoorah*, this Thursday, with publication of the 2005 edition of "Metro Honor Roll."

"Metro Honor Roll," which honors graduates of high schools, vocational schools and colleges, this year boasts in excess of 200 employee and family graduates.

About 115 of those graduated from high school, 89 from college, 14 with a Master's Degree, 61 with a Bachelors Degree and 14 with an Associate's Degree or Certificate. Of the graduates, 22 are Metro employees.

Some households had more than one shining star this year. At last count, there were at least 13 pairs of graduates that each came from a single household. Many were siblings who graduated from the same high school, while other households had high school and college graduates.

A pair of shining stars

One such example is Assistant Administrative Analyst Claudia Casasola, who graduated from the University of Phoenix with a BS in Business Administration. Her son, Genaro Casasola, shared in the celebration by graduating from Northview High School.

Bus Operator Quintin Mora Haro's daughter, Stephanie Mora, and stepdaughter, Melissa Gomez, both graduated from Schur High School.

Metro employees and their families don't simply graduate, they often graduate with honors – Summa Cum Laude, Principal's Honor Roll, Deans List or Salutatorian.

Bus Operator and super star Michael Kalustian, finished his MA in Communications Studies at CSU Los Angeles as Magna Cum Laude.

Summa Cum Laude

Senior Administrative Analyst Susan Carisasa-Ginsberg's star is definitely shining bright. She graduated from Colorado Technical University as Summa Cum Laude.

This year's "Metro Honor Roll" will look different from past issues, as it will no longer be organized by department but by the graduate's last name, both to better utilize space and to make it easier to find graduates on the list.

"Metro Honor Roll" will be published, June 23, on the Intranet. The

print version will be distributed to operating divisions and at the Gateway Building.

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