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Balloon artist Nugget leads kids in a dance during the lunch break. Below, she shapes a special toy for Izabell Llamas, daughter of Salvador Llamas, assistant maintenance manager at Division 9.



Metro Family Day of F-U-N at Knott's Berry Farm

(April 17, 2007) "F-U-N. Have fun!" That's how acting Chief Operating Officer Carolyn Flowers welcomed employees, their families and guests to last Saturday's third annual Metro Family Day at Knott's Berry Farm.



Carolyn Flowers
sets the stage for
f-u-n.

It was an easy directive to follow for the 1,500 who enjoyed a clear, cool and breezy day at the amusement park. Many families arrived early and took a midday break to enjoy a hamburger, chicken and fixin's lunch under canopies in the picnic area.

Kids competed in hula hoop and musical chairs competitions, went hand-over-hand up a climbing wall or – dressed out in a special vest – flung themselves against a Velcro wall to see if they would stick.



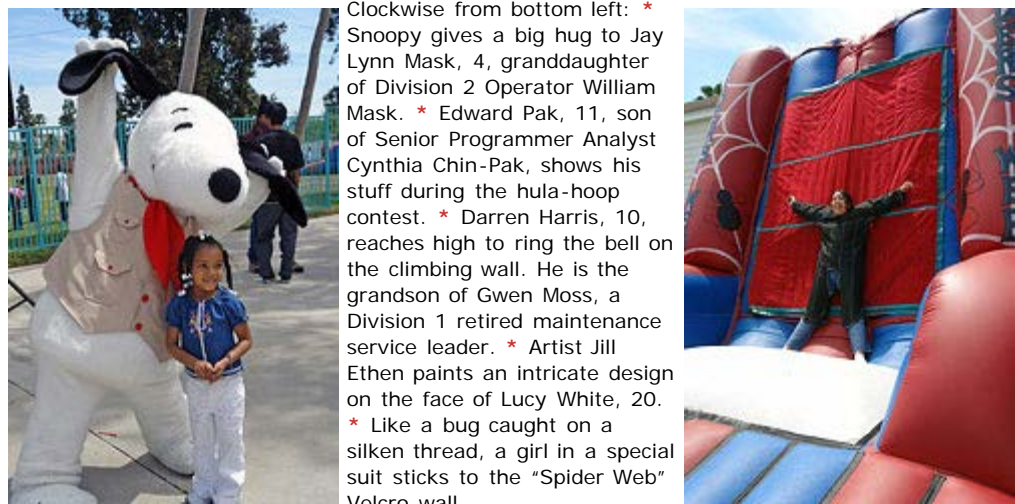
Snuggling up with Snoopy are, from left, Patrice Obienu, 8; Edward Tillman, 4; and James Griffin, 11 – grandchildren of Gwen Moss, a Division 1 retired maintenance service leader. Below, Artist Jennifer Powell limns a colorful design on the face of Kyaara Collins, 10.



The appearance of Snoopy, Charlie Brown and other Peanuts characters made the day extra special for the little ones. And many walked away with

balloon hats, gold fish, swords, poodles and other air-filled animals.

After lunch, many families visited Camp Snoopy or panned for gold dust or braved the roller-coasters and other rides. And many went home with souvenirs – or at least a smile.



Clockwise from bottom left: * Snoopy gives a big hug to Jay Lynn Mask, 4, granddaughter of Division 2 Operator William Mask. * Edward Pak, 11, son of Senior Programmer Analyst Cynthia Chin-Pak, shows his stuff during the hula-hoop contest. * Darren Harris, 10, reaches high to ring the bell on the climbing wall. He is the grandson of Gwen Moss, a Division 1 retired maintenance service leader. * Artist Jill Ethen paints an intricate design on the face of Lucy White, 20. * Like a bug caught on a silken thread, a girl in a special suit sticks to the "Spider Web" Velcro wall.



Good Ol' Charlie Brown was on hand to greet kids and grownups, alike, during the Family Day picnic.

