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Transportation Operations Supervisor Mary Wells, center, celebrates with Transportation Manager Maria Reynolds, at left, and staff after receiving a special award in recognition of her 28 years of service.



Photos by Jori Stern

Cinco de Mayo Fun, Food and Honors for a Dedicated Employee

- Co-workers commend TOS Mary Wells on her years of service

By JORI STERN

(May 15, 2007) "Ecstatic" was the word Mary Wells used to describe her reaction to receiving a surprise commendation, May 4, from her West Valley Division 8 co-workers who honored her 28 years of service and dedication.

With approximately 50 people in attendance, including mechanics and bus operators from Division 8, many employees chose to share this day with their families. Some even brought their children, who raced through the division with balloons and glitter on their faces.



With a live eight-piece Mariachi band swaying in the background and homemade food galore—much of it cooked and served by Metro employees—displayed on the outdoor patio, the annual event had the atmosphere of a large family celebration.



Inside the division, many employees sat down with each other to enjoy good food and spend time with other employees and friends.

‘Employees like Mary’

Maria Reynolds, Division 8 transportation manager, put it best. “We are proud to have employees like Mary, who are dedicated, hardworking and loyal.”

Employees complimented Wells, a transportation operations supervisor, on her kindness, generous sprit and nature, and how truly deserving she was of the award, a glass engraved clock and plaque.

Wells said it meant more to her that the award came from her fellow employees than anything else.

Reynolds and the staff of Division 8 considered the day a huge success. With people leaving with food and big smiles, one can’t ask much more than that.

