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Gail Harvey welcomes trick or treaters from the Gateway Child Development Center to the annual costume and candy bash in the Metro Information Center.



Customer Relations Hosts Annual "Trick or Treat" Party for Metro Kids

[Slide show:](#) Scenes from a Metro Halloween - Photos by Alicia Rodriguez

* A special Goblin report from Gail Harvey, Director of Customer Relations

(Oct. 31, 2007) The Third Annual Halloween Party for our "Metro Kids" was held on the second floor in Customer Relations and the theme this year was "Ghostly Goblins."

More than 35 kids from the Gateway Child Development Center, accompanied by their teachers and parents, attended. After touring the decorated cubicles, the kids selected their favorites in a judging contest. First place went to Jorja Jones, LaTonya Greathouse was second and Marie Alamilla won a respectable third place.

An independent panel of impartial "costume judges" – Ron Jue, Anna Mercaldi and Lou Bendijo-Wong – had a tough time of selecting three winning costume contestants. The most original was Anthony Yanuari as a genie; most creative/unique was Maria Hernandez as Raggedy Ann and the scariest was Debbie Coddington as an Ugly Witch.

The kids also drew ten names of agents, who won various participation "trick or treat" gifts. They then walked around the Call Center and had their bags filled with more goodies from agents who had plenty to share. Department staff made 100 "special" goodie bags that were given to each child and the rest were sent to Metro kids who could not come.



One last stop to regroup and account for all candy. then it's off to the elevator and back to the center for the annual after-bash nap.

"We were pleasantly surprised with the number of kids and parents, who accompanied the kids along with the staff this year," said Alonzo Williams, Communications Manager. Matt Raymond, Chief Communications Officer, stopped by and was also surprised with the number participants.

This Halloween party just gets better and better each year and we appreciate the attendance of the kids, families and friends.

The event was coordinated by the Morale Committee, which is comprised of Steven Texada, Jackie Exeart, Virginia Sanchez, Gregory Talamantes, Harriet Pettit, Marie Tervalon, Noe Reyes, Lila Gamino, Patricia Diaz, Paula Grigsby, Alonzo Williams and Gail M. Harvey.