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Children spooky in Amity Halloween parade

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The Grinch who stole Christmas from Whoville also took one of the top prizes Tuesday night at the Daniel Boone Optimist Club Halloween Parade in Amity Township.

First place in the 4-and-under costume contest went to 2-year-old Breylan Kupp, 2, who dressed as the Dr. Seuss character and rode in a small wagon dressed up as a sleigh. Breylan is the son of Kevin and Amanda Kupp of Exeter Township.

The annual parade featured more than 250 children - the best turnout ever, said Margaret Reitmeyer, an Optimist Club member.

Reitmeyer noted the parade is a tradition so old that she was unsure when it began.

"When I was in high school, I marched in it and that's been almost 30 years," she said.

For roughly 90 minutes, gypsies, witches, monsters and ghosts stomped and spooked their way through town.

Several fire companies accompanied them on the short journey. The little goblins, princesses and the rest were treated to beverages and cookies, compliments of WaWa and McDonalds, Reitmeyer said.

"It went really good," she added.

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