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Sultana High School Music Teacher Honored By Teachers R Heroes



In a hushed Sultana High School auditorium, faculty, staff and students gathered for what was billed as a staff meeting and recognition event, not knowing that one of their own was chosen to be

honored as one of this year's Teachers R Heroes awardees. In the audience is music teacher Carl Dominik, who was cited by fellow teachers as a person who exudes life through a brilliant smile and an ebullient personality. When his name was called, he seemed surprised by the announcement and, for a moment, was stunned into silence.

Upon receiving the award, Mr. Dominik told the crowd, "I am doing exactly what I want to do and I will do it for as long as I am able." This pronouncement was echoed in the nomination submitted on his behalf by a parent of one of his current students.

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The nominator wrote, “Carl Dominik, the choir teacher at Sultana is a hero. While fighting a serious illness during his nearly fifteen year career, he refuses to retire and leave a job he loves. He remains teaching, inspiring, and helping his students the best he can. My son has been a student of his for three years now, and talks constantly about his bravery and his passion for the musical arts. He is always there when a student needs help. . Carl Dominik is a super hero.

Teacher nominations may be submitted in the form of 500 words-or-less essays to www.vvc.edu. Anyone interested in making a nomination can go online to www.KATCOUNTRY1007.com, www.Y102FM.com, www.TheFox106.com, or www.Talk960.com, and find a link to the college’s website.

Nominations may also be sent by mail to Victor Valley College, Teachers are Heroes, 18422 Bear Valley Road, Victorville, CA 92395, attention Dr. Lori Kildal.

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