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Serrano High School Teacher Honored by “Teachers R Heroes”

Hundreds of Serrano students were gathered for what they thought was a senior assembly concerning issues they would need to know during their last year of high school. They quickly understood that something else was afoot when a small gaggle of gift bearing strangers entered the gym and gathered around the principal. As soon as the program began, the students began to speculate on which one of their teachers was going to be selected by Teachers R Heroes. The selected nomination wasn’t half read, when the students began to chant the name of the newest honoree, psychology teacher Mrs. Carrie Walczynski.

The nomination, sent in by a former student, eloquently spoke of Mrs. Walczynski’s qualifications for the award. She wrote, “Mrs. Walczynski, a.k.a. Wally, takes on anything and everything, whether it's thrown at her or she takes it upon herself. She's the one person I know that is doing something for someone else on a daily basis. Not only is Wally an excellent teacher, she also participates in her community, and does volunteer work, year-round. Wally gets her students involved in their community as well, which I find very important these days. My senior year at Serrano, I came to Wally asking her how I could raise money for the March of Dimes, March for Babies, and she willingly took on the task of raising money in each of her classes for two weeks. She is also a continuous volunteer for the Victor Valley Homeless Shelter. To sum it up, Mrs. Carrie Walczynski is a giving, kindhearted, beautiful person, and teacher, who deserves, in every way imaginable, to be recognized for it.”

The “Teachers are Heroes” program is sponsored by Victor Valley College and Eldorado Broadcasting. School participation is coordinated through San Bernardino County Schools. Participating businesses and agencies include Wal-Mart, Little Caesars Pizza, Red Robin Restaurants, Reed Foods, Taco Chon, Victorville Speed Wash, High Deseret Therapeutic, Seattle’s Best, Ultra Star Theaters, Supervisor Brad Mizelfelt and the Daily Press.
Teacher nominations may be submitted in the form of 500 words-or-less essays to www.KATCOUNTRY1007.com, www.Y102FM.com, www.TheFox106.com, www.Talk960.com, or www.vvc.edu, or www.vvc.edu. 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.