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Educators fly to DC for Blue Ribbon ceremony

■ CES lauded for higher student achievement

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Teachers flew to the nation’s capitol to accept the prestigious 2014 National Blue Ribbon School award this week on behalf of Calistoga Elementary.

Kindergarten teacher Martha McCoy and Calistoga Elementary School Principal Vicka Llamas received the award at a festive lunch

ceremony Tuesday afternoon in Washington D.C. held in honor of the 337 schools that obtained the recognition.

“Earning the National Blue Ribbon Award is certainly a great achievement, but also a reminder of the planning, effort, and diligence required of students, teachers, support staff, and administration in order to achieve it’s goals,” said Pam Rubel, CES kindergarten

teacher who attended the trip.

U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan recognized CES on Sept. 30 as one of the schools to receive the award based on progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups. The schools awarded the honor demonstrate that all students can achieve high levels.

“We have closed the achievement gap at CES over the past 5-7 years through data-informed instruction, strategic interventions

by talented specialists and para-professionals, through the support of our community partners, and our own school-based upvalley family resource center,” McCoy said.

This year’s National Blue Ribbon Ceremony focused on excellence, equity and empowerment for students with an emphasis on community and early childhood education.

In addition to attending the cer-

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Lemen leaving as rec manager for Windsor job

■ New position puts her closer to home, family

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Calistoga will be looking for a replacement as Olivia Lemen steps down as recreation services manager.

“I have thoroughly enjoyed my almost six years here and will miss the small, close community that I have grown to love so much,” Lemen said.

Lemen has accepted a new position in Windsor’s Park and Recreation Department where they are hoping to build a pool in the near future, something she’s excited to be part of once again.



Olivia Lemen
City Recreation

The new position allows her to be closer to home and spend more time with her two young children.

According to Lemen, leaving Calistoga will not be easy but she’ll take away the many memories she’s made in her nearly six years as recreation services manager.

“I love this small community and the people in it, so it’s hard to pick, but specifically I have loved growing the pool. I feel so committed to the facility, the staff, the programs and the participants,” Lemen said.

Lemen’s last day as recreation services manager will be Nov. 20.

The open full-time position in the Public Works Department is directly responsible for overseeing the activities and operations of the recreation services division including aquatics, recreation, transit, senior programs and community services.

The position also includes rec-

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VETERANS DAY SERVICES LOOK BACK AT WWII



Trudy Burt, 89, born in Romania, shares her story of being held prisoner in a Nazi labor camp as a teenager during World War II and having her blood type tattooed under her arm in case it was needed for German troops and casualties.

Nazi labor camp prisoner shares memories of war

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Nearly 100 people, all with a common mission, gathered Tuesday morning at Logvy Park to thank and honor all veterans and their families who have served and sacrificed.

The Veterans Memorial, the ideal backdrop for the annual Veterans Day National Ceremony, is a year-round tribute to all who have dedicated their loyal service and is the only memorial of its kind in Napa County.

“We thank you for putting the needs of the many above the needs of the one,” Ken Flynn, Commander of the American Legion Post 231, said in the opening remarks of the ceremony.

Mayor Chris Canning, grandson of a WWII veteran and son of a Vietnam veteran, delivered a letter from Congressman Mike Thompson stating every day should be Veterans Day, each day we should give

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Arnold Enderlin, 92, served 23 months as an airplane mechanic.



Beth Volkman shares memories of her late husband, Ernie Volkman, who fought in the Battle of the Bulge.



Iola Hitt, 95, who enlisted in the Women’s Army Corp in WWII and retired as First Lieutenant, is helped by her son Doug Hitt when WWII vets were asked to stand and be recognized.