

Speaking of awards ...

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Two local groups recently announced award winners, and the fact they're all women is only partly coincidental.

Last Wednesday (Oct. 24), the **Chico Peace and Justice Center** announced two recipients of its Peace Endeavor award. They were **Cathy Webster**, whose protest action at the School of the Americas landed her in jail for two months, and **Emily Alma** (pictured), founder and director of Community Collaborative for Youth, a coalition of six programs that serve young people.

On Friday (Oct. 26), the **Chico Chamber of Commerce** announced the winners of its annual Women's Achievement Awards. **Maxine Bigler**, of Healthy Enterprises, took home the coveted Jeanne Posey Award; **Amy Louis**, owner of Six Degrees Coffee Service and Distribution, won the Entrepreneur of the Year award; **Judy Cline**, trauma services coordinator at Enloe Medical Center, was chosen as the Outstanding Woman in Health Care; and **Katy Thoma**, a branch manager for Butte Community Bank (and former director of the Jesus Center), was selected for the Excellence in Finance Award.

