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**Title** GCC BIOLOGY PROFESSOR DR. SUSAN GLENN  
RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD

Deptford Twp. – Dr. Susan Glenn, Assistant Professor, Biology at Gloucester County College was presented the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation Award for Distinguished Teaching at the GCC Board of Trustees meeting on Wednesday, November 9. The award is funded by grants from the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation in Philadelphia in recognition of outstanding service in stimulating and guiding the intellectual development of students.

During the presentation, President William F. Anderson cited Dr. Glenn's advancement of Gloucester County College and its standing in the community through a number of her student projects.

Dr. Glenn's Environmental Science course worked with W.C.K. Walls Elementary School in Pitman to take fourth-grade students on an endangered species trading card expedition. Students worked together to research animals, classify them according to the world ranking system and put their pictures onto a deck of trading cards. This is the second year for the collaboration between the students of the two schools to learn about endangered animals.

Promoting community involvement into her courses, Dr. Glenn incorporates assignments designed to encourage student involvement in environmental issues within the community, including the clean up of parks and roadsides and recycling projects.

In June 2004, Dr. Glenn and her students acted as "tour guides" during the Walls School second grade class trip to the Cape May Zoo.

Dr. Glenn's student projects also include raising money for environmental organizations through talent shows.

Dr. Glenn and Dr. Jessica DeGraff, Assistant Professor, Biology, coordinated a program with Thomas Jefferson University to participate in Project IMPART (Improving Minority Professional's Access to Research Tracks) at GCC. Project IMPART, established in 1994, is an innovative research based program for undergraduate minority students. GCC nursing students presented preliminary results of the second year of study on ticks and Lyme disease, directed by DeGraff during the November 9 Board meeting.

Dr. Glenn, of Pitman, came to GCC from the University of

British Columbia, where she was a faculty member. She has published more than 40 professional papers, in journals in the United States, Europe, New Zealand and Canada. Several of her papers were commissioned by the U.S. Air Force, to determine types of vegetation in air fields in the Midwest.

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