

# GWC Professor Earns Teaching Excellence Award

**G**olden West College psychology professor, Joyce Bishop, has been named winner of the 2008 Hayward Award for Excellence in Education. Professor Bishop received a cash award of \$1,250 and was honored at a Community College Board of Governors meeting in Sacramento on March 3.

Each year, the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges selects four recipients from a list of faculty statewide. Joyce Bishop is being honored among those faculty nominated in Orange and San Diego counties, and the deserts.

Established in 1985, the award was named for Gerald C. Hayward, California's community college chancellor from 1980-85 and honors community college faculty members who demonstrate the highest level of commitment to their students, college and profession.

A member of the GWC faculty for 21 years, Professor Bishop received her Masters degree from Loma Linda University and has twice been nominated as OC Community College Teacher of the Year. She has been the advisor to numerous student clubs on campus and has three times been recognized with the Outstanding Faculty Award by the campus Honors Society.



Joyce Bishop

Joyce shared her thoughts on teaching, saying, "Teaching community college students is a fascinating experience. Some students have worked for many years and are training for a new career. Other students are right out of high school and looking forward to all that life has to offer them. What a privilege to be part of their journey."

"I am very pleased for Joyce, as this is wonderful recognition for a deserving and dedicated faculty member," says GWC President Wes Bryan. "Joyce exemplifies both the teaching excellence and commitment to students that has become a hallmark at Golden West College."

Joyce and her husband of 24 years, Dave, a retired school administrator, are co-founders of Pathways to Independence, a non-profit organization that serves disadvantaged young women who come from various types of abuse. Pathways, located in Huntington Beach, provide clients funding for tuition to local community colleges and universities, books, housing, and medical and automobile expenses. Pathways has helped over 220 clients gain their independence since its inception in 1990. **HB**



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