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## **El Camino College Honors Cinna Toy-Wohlmuth, Former Gardena Resident, as 2011 Distinguished Alumni Awards Honoree**

**Photo available upon request.**

El Camino College recently honored former Gardena resident Dr. Cinna Toy-Wohlmuth as a 2011 Distinguished Alumni Award honoree.

Toy-Wohlmuth is one of five honorees of the Distinguished Alumni Awards, given to ECC alumni who have shown outstanding achievement in their chosen career, service to the community or area of endeavor, and have gained local, state, or national recognition for their contributions. Honorees were selected by a committee and represent the fields of art, medicine, politics, business, and education.

After graduating from El Camino College in 1979, Toy-Wohlmuth transferred to Loma Linda University where she earned a bachelor's degree and a medical degree. She is now Assistant Clinical Professor in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Loma Linda University and the Obstetrics and Gynecology Program Director at White Memorial Medical Center.

She received the National Faculty Award for Excellence in Resident Education in 1998 and 2011 and she continues working with organizations that promote academia and medical education, such as the Los Angeles Obstetrical & Gynecological Society (past president), the Pacific Coast Obstetrical & Gynecological Society's Los Angeles Caucus (chair), and the OB GYN Assembly of Southern California (executive committee).

Toy-Wohlmuth is the second alumni in her family to be honored for this award, and was nominated by her older sister Donna Toy-Chen, who was a Distinguished Alumni at El Camino College's 50th Anniversary Celebration in 1997. Toy-Wohlmuth said her time at ECC was definitely a family affair – of the eight Toy children, six attended ECC, and her parents were tireless volunteers.

In addition to Toy-Wohlmuth, the El Camino College Distinguished Alumni for 2011 include: David Benoit, musician/composer; Donald Brann, El Segundo Councilman and Vice President of the Da Vinci Schools' Board of Trustees; Pat Furey, Los Angeles County Principal Deputy County Counsel; and Michael Montoya, Director, Southern California Edison.

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