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## **Trip to Costa Rica was “life changing experience”**

**CENTREVILLE---**Several members of the 2009 Travel and Study Abroad tour of Costa Rica led by Glen Oaks Community College professor Jeanne Reed report the tour was remarkable. “This was a life changing experience that I will never forget. I saw many natural creations such as waterfalls and volcanoes that I have only seen in movies, and the plant life and wildlife I had only seen in pictures,” Samantha Fassett said of the May trip.



Fassett, a Glen Oaks student, said the visit to the Poas Volcano stuck with her throughout her trip. She said the active volcano, which is a mile in diameter and one thousand feet deep, has erupted over 40 times since 1828. Fassett also found the the Costa Rican people have an interesting culture, delicious food and amazing outlook on life.

Pam Moseley, an environmental scientist at the Kellogg Biological Station, enjoyed the 2009 Travel and Study Abroad trip. “It was amazing that every time we turned a corner or went around a bend there were new and even more beautiful vistas to see,” said Pam.

Plans for the 14-day 2010 trip are now underway and, once again, Glen Oaks students and interested public will join the Travel and Study Abroad (SSF 200) program for a trip to the British Isles. The 2010 trip is entitled The Britannia and includes round trip airfare, overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms, complete European breakfast and dinner daily, a full-time EF Tour Director, sightseeing tours in Dublin, Edinburgh and London, Ring of Kerry, Oxford, Stonehenge and walking tours in Edinburgh and London, and visits to seven special attractions: Bog Village Museum, Blarney Castle, St. Patrick’s Cathedral, Book of Kells at Trinity College, Welsh Castle, Rydal Mount, and Edinburgh Castle.

The trip is conducted with EF Educational Tours, an organization with 43 years experience. Those interested in learning more should contact Jeanne Reed at Glen Oaks Community College by e-mail through the college website [www.glenoaks.edu](http://www.glenoaks.edu) or by phone at (269) 294-4257 or toll free 1-888-994-7818 ext.257.