

College Accepts Cape Cod Five Foundation's \$200,000 gift – and Welcomes “Jan” Nickerson to Lead \$1M Capital Campaign to Create Major Cape Cod History Archive At Cape Cod Community College.

In ceremonies this afternoon, Tuesday July 22, 2008, directly across from the Nickerson Room of Cape Cod Antiquity in the Frank and Maureen Wilkens Library, Cape Cod Community College President Kathleen Schatzberg publicly launched the College's \$1M capital campaign to create the William Brewster Nickerson Cape Cod Historical Archives.

Cape Cod Five Cents Savings Bank President Dorothy Savarese was joined by the Bank's immediate past president and current Cape Cod 5 Charitable Foundation Trust Director Elliot Carr, and Vice President and Director of Community Relations, David Willard, in happily announcing a \$200,000 gift by campaign pledge, bringing the total donations to date to slightly over \$400,000.

Joshua “Jan” A. Nickerson, Jr, of Brewster enthusiastically accepted the Campaign Chair's leadership position and challenged all to complete quickly the fund raising task. President of Nickerson Lumber, Jan Nickerson is first cousin to William Brewster “Bruce” Nickerson for whom the archives are named, and nephew to E. Carleton Nickerson, the past CCCC President who led the move of the College's initial South Street Hyannis location to its present-day West Barnstable campus. He recounted stories of his family's settlement on the Cape and of his cousin “Bruce.” The Nickerson family lineage can be traced to Elder William Brewster who landed in Provincetown Harbor in 1620 on the *Mayflower*. He is a life member of both the Orleans and Chatham Historical Societies, and continues to serve as a Cape Cod Hospital Cooperator and as a director of the Edward Bangs Kelley and Elza Kelley Foundation, Inc.

President Schatzberg concluded the event noting that the project is likely to take about two years to complete, although quickly completing the fundraising could mean starting construction in May of next year.

Learn more about the Nickerson Archives by visiting the College's web site at:
<http://www.capecod.edu/web/library/nickerson>.

More information about the campaign itself is available by speaking with Gerry Desautels in the CCCC Educational Foundation office at 508-362-2131, ext. 4439 or gdes@capecod.edu.