**National Accreditation - Early Childhood**

The College’s Early Childhood Education program has become the first in Massachusetts and among the very first in the nation to be accredited by National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). Program Coordinator Debra Murphy (second from the right), recognized nationally for her expertise in preparing students to be early childhood educators, led her team through an exhaustive 2-year review process. President Schatzberg praised the entire team, “Our students can be assured that the education they are receiving is among the very best anywhere.”

**Nontrational Careers - Statewide Honors**

The College’s Nontraditional-by-Gender Initiative was named the American Association of University Women (AAUW)-Massachusetts Progress in Equity Award Winner for 2007. Program Director Maria A. Sastre (shown center with President Schatzberg and Coaches and Mentors Director Carol Dubay) was honored for making the entire community very aware that career paths should never be defined by gender. “This program strives to ensure that gender is observed...as an equal facet of diversity, and we proudly celebrate this honor,” noted President Schatzberg.

**Distance Education Pioneer Honored Again**

Professor Emeritus Richard “Rick” Cahoon has long been a leader in distance education, always looking to improve the delivery of higher education to those who find it impossible to attend on-campus classes. Honored in the past for his courses on video-tape (he’s shown here in a characteristically casual pose with a video camera), this year his internet-based course in General Psychology was named a “Course of Distinction” by the Massachusetts Colleges Online consortium. It was selected for its excellence from among 1200 courses offered by 24 different state institutions.

**Honors for Caring for Our “Fragile Earth”**

For its long tradition of environmental stewardship, building “green” and teaching “green,” Cape Cod Community College received the CHAMP Homes, Inc. Fragile Earth Award 2007. “The College is very honored to have been selected by CHAMP Homes, itself a leader in environmental stewardship and in showing our community how to care for our most precious resource, our neighbors,” stated President Schatzberg. Pictured l-r: Stephanie Brady, Environmental Technology Program Coordinator; Rona Robinson, CHAMP Homes volunteer and CCCC alum; Carolyn and Paul Hebert of CHAMP Homes; President Schatzberg.