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## OCDA Celebrates 100 years of Career Counseling at NCDCA Conference



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Happy Friday OCDA members,

Every time I have attended the NCDCA conference it has been informative, motivating and fun, but this year was special. With Rich Feller, NCDCA president leading the way to celebrate 100 years of career development in its

birthplace of Boston, Massachusetts the theme this year was **creating hope, social justice and legacy**. All the big names were there: Mark Savickas, John Krumboltz, Dick Bolles, David Blustein (our most recent PDI speaker!) and additional [keynote speakers like Temple Grandin and Tony Wagner](#). The excitement and enthusiasm for our profession and its growth throughout history nationally and internationally was tangible. You know who else was there? Oregon!

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**members** like Portland State University's **Tina Anctil** and Western Oregon University's **Adry Snorraddottir Clark** both presented with colleagues, and **Matt Morscheck** from Oregon Health Sciences University participated in his first year of the [leadership academy](#). Former OCDA president **Angela Doty** from NW Christian University and I also attended along with other Oregonian (and SW Washingtonian) career development specialists from private practice, K-12, colleges and universities, workforce development and human resources. [Download the conference book to read the details of the presentations.](#)

So, what did I learn? This conference keeps me on top of the latest career counseling theories and practices in a variety of settings. Additionally, it keeps me mindful of my own career counseling practices. Every year, this conference provides time for me to reflect on my work through the input of others and ask questions such as: am I trying new things?, am I providing an open inviting space for people to explore their goals?, am I keeping my own biases in check? and other important questions. An opportunity that is scarce throughout the busy year. I came away with refreshed motivation along with new information to share with colleagues to serve those we work with better.

Next year's conference will be closer to home in **Long Beach, California June 19 - 21st**. If you have never experienced the NCDA conference I encourage you consider coming next summer to connect with a nation and world of career development specialists. Ask yourself if you might be ready to present on that special project or program you developed. I know being a part of the national organization has truly expanded my view of the profession and my network of support and last but not least – it's fun!

Have a great weekend,



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