

# Advising Matters

MACADA - Region One

## National Conference Highlights

Kevin Piskadlo, Melissa Jenkins, and Meghan Charbonneau from Bentley College and Cory Davis from Salem State College admirably represented Region One at the national conference in Denver, CO in October with their **Best of Region** presentation, *The Advisor/Advising Bucket List*.

Other Region One Members Recognized Nationally:

**Outstanding Advisor – Primary Role** Martha Garing, Excelsior College

**Outstanding Advisor – Primary Role – Certificate of Merit** Kanella Voudouris, McGill University

**Outstanding New Advisor – Primary Role** Jennifer Hartwell, Wheelock College

**NACADA Summer Institute Scholarships** Theresa Fadden and Jennifer Waltjen, Broome Community College

**Advising Technology Innovation Award - L.U.C.Y. (Linking Undergraduate Curriculum to You)** Bernard Baruch College – Center for Academic Advisement

**2011-2013 Emerging Leader Mentor** Rodney Mondor, University of Southern Maine



Congratulations to Martha Garing from Excelsior College, winner of the Outstanding Advisor - Primary Role Award at the National Conference in Denver.

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## Regional Conference 2012 - Connecticut

March 21-23, 2012, NACADA Region 1 will be gathering for an exciting and invigorating conference at Foxwoods/MGM Grand in Connecticut.

The Grand boasts over 30 restaurants, 6 casinos, shopping, arcade, bowling alley and so much more under one roof. From Pre-conference workshops to exciting keynote speakers and

concurrent sessions and beyond, this promises to be a memorable event.

The conference theme is **"Advising Reel to Real"** - how advisors transform dreams into reality, how we create concrete programs from initial ideas, and how we inspire success.

The Call for Proposals is now

open! Specific instructions and proposal details are available on the Region One website.

[http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Regional\\_Divisions/region1/proposals.htm](http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Regional_Divisions/region1/proposals.htm)

For more information contact conference co-chairs Susan Kolls, [s.kolls@gmail.com](mailto:s.kolls@gmail.com), or Steve Viveiros, [sviveiros@bridgew.edu](mailto:sviveiros@bridgew.edu).



Social Networking was a central theme of the National Conference, in evidence here in a twitpic by Amerika Gravel from Wagner College

## Around Region One...

Landmark College in Putney, VT is creating early orientation programs for students with autism spectrum disorders using the PATH process. It helps to orient ASD students to the campus and reduces some of the anxiety these students feel when they transition to a new environment. - *Lucy Stamp, Landmark College*

I created a Faculty Advisor Mentor Program, which is just being piloted this semester. I have started this effort with a cohort of new adjuncts. This cohort is being matched with volunteer faculty advisors/mentors. - *Wanda Reyes-Dawes, Manchester Community College*

If you have Region 1 news you would like to include in the Spring 2012 newsletter, please contact Mary Fraser, Region 1 Communications Liaison.  
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## National Conference Highlights (cont'd)

"The National Conference in Denver this year was a great event, and I am so glad that I had the opportunity to attend. The advisors at TAS work with hundreds and hundreds of adult learners each year, and it is great to know that there is a venue to share knowledge and best practices around academic advising. I look forward to bringing my whole advising team next year!" - *Jay Titus, Tuition Advisory Services*

"My mentor and I met during the Emerging Leaders Program meeting, and it was fantastic to be able to congregate with fellow emerging leaders and their respective mentors. We went over our first year goals and talked about our second year goals. The opportunity to reconnect as a cohort was wonderful!" - *Wanda Reyes-Dawes, Manchester Community College*

"The most entertaining session I attended was the Region I meeting, by far. There was singing, dancing and side splitting stand-up comedy." - *Denise Manning, Landmark College*

## Advising Summit in Maine

The University of Maine System hosted an Advising Summit on September 30th at the University of Maine in Orono. Keynote speaker Susan Campbell welcomed a diverse group of advisors and advising administrators from the University of Maine System campuses and the Community College System campuses as well as adult education professionals from around the state.

Breakout sessions ranged from best practices in distance education, veteran's services, and early intervention to collaborations that cross institutional boundaries. A student panel provided insights into students' experiences transitioning from adult education through community college and into the university.

## Scholarship & Awards for 2012

Applications are now available for the many awards and scholarships offered in Region One. Take advantage of the opportunity for additional funding to support your professional development! A variety of scholarships are offered for National Institutes as well as the Regional Conference. Full details of the scholarships are found at the Region One website [www.nacada.ksu.edu/Regional\\_Divisions/region1/index.htm](http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Regional_Divisions/region1/index.htm) under "Apply for Awards".

### Deadlines are fast approaching!

Institute and Seminar Scholarships - December 15, 2011

Regional Conference Scholarships - January 27, 2012

Excellence in Advising Awards - February 24, 2012

*Gails Stubbs & Susan Moyer, Region 1 Scholarships & Awards Co-Chairs*

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