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I've been feeling a bit like a local celebrity lately. Earlier this month, I attended Barnstable County's Conference for Children Youth and Families, as a special guest of the county. As a teenager, I was part of the Cape Cod Youth Congress and Cape Cod Youth Council, two organizations that most definitely changed my life. Being a part of the Council brought me out of my shell, introduced me to some amazing people, and set me on the right path for my career and the life I've been living so far. Both of those programs were run by the county. They call me a "success story", because I have a prominent place in my job and my community, and I love going and giving back. While there, I saw many local politicians, high school principals, and other members of the community that recognized me - what a feeling.

Last week, I was honored to be part of the Arts Foundation of Cape Cod's Creative Collaborative Conference. Not only did I attend a fabulous session on the modern houses on the Cape Cod National Seashore (more on that later), I was part of a panel which included the editor of the Cape's daily newspaper (the Cape Cod Times); two other radio hosts, local magazine publishers, and editors of two local weeklies. To be included among a group of people whose words I've read and listened to over the years, to look over and see them as my peers and colleagues, filled me with pride and love for my job and my community. After the panel, people actually came up to me and said they listened and wanted to meet me!! I felt like a celebrity.

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