

## Boyd appointed to commission

The Maine Commission for Community Service is pleased to announce that Melissa Ann Boyd of Kennebunk has been appointed by Governor John E. Baldacci to serve as a member of their board.

"Melissa was chosen for her involvement in community service and her passion to have an impact through service on Maine's communities and citizens. With her knowledge and expertise, her assistance in designing and implement-

ing effective vehicles for growing and sustaining Maine's community service ethic will be an invaluable contribution to the commission," said Maryalice Crofton, the Commission's executive director.

"I would like to help encourage young people to give back to their communities whether it may be by becoming an AmeriCorps member or by volunteering in their local community agencies. As a two year AmeriCorps alum, I have learned the

value of service and it has transformed my life. By serving on the Commission, I hope to assist in developing new partnerships that will strengthen their work statewide," Boyd said.

Boyd is currently the executive director of Physicians for Social Responsibility Maine. She has more than 15 years experience in youth development, event planning, non-profit management, public relations and environmental education. As an AmeriCorps Promise Fellow she was instrumental in helping to bring General Colin Powell to Maine to A Call to Service Event, which launched Giving Maine's Promise on WGME 13. She has a Bachelors Degree in Communication/Public Relations from the University of Southern Maine and is currently a half time student at The Muskie Institute working on her Masters in Public Policy and Management.

The Maine Commission for Community Service is a 26 member board that is charged with fostering community service and volunteer initiatives for the State of Maine. It is the state liaison for the Federal Corporation for National and Community Service, administering AmeriCorps grants and overseeing Maine's national service programs including AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve and Senior Corps programs throughout the state. The commission also provides training and technical assistance to volunteer managers statewide and maintains Maine's statewide online volunteer database, VolunteerMaine.org.

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