

Maine Sea Coast Mission Announces Staff Selections

BAR HARBOR — The Rev. Gary A. DeLong, executive director of the Maine Sea Coast Mission, announced two staff selections on Nov. 16.

Anthony (Tony) Hessert has been selected as the director of finance and administration. Hessert replaces Elsa Teal, who retired from the position earlier this fall.

Wendy Harrington has been selected as the program director of Weald Bethel, the mission's community outreach center in Washington County.

"We are very pleased to have two people of the caliber of Tony Hessert and Wendy Harrington



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in these key positions," DeLong said. "They will be instrumental in moving the mission forward as we implement our new strategic plan recently approved by the board."

Hessert is responsible for managing budget and finance, human resources, information technology and property management.

Most recently, Hessert was the vice president of administration and controller of the Maine Potato Growers. He has worked in several other Maine companies, including Maine Packers Inc., Kevlaur Industries and Expanets, Great Northern Paper, MacDonald

Page/Haverlock and Estey and Curran, LLC, CPAs.

Harrington will oversee the following programs based at the mission's 60-acre campus in Cherryfield: thrift shop, food pantry, summer housing repair and senior companions.

Harrington previously served as adult and community coordinator for the EdGE program, the mission's highly acclaimed in-school, after-school and summer program in western Washington County.

She will continue working at the EdGE part time for the immediate future.

Harrington previously worked at Camp Kieve in Nobleboro, where she also served as adult and community director for its Leadership Decision Institute.