

## Non-Profit Sector

### Pathways to Growth

Pathways to Wellness executive director Kristen Porter and director of programs Angela Caggianeli were both invited to attend high-level non-profit leadership programs starting this October. Both directors said their participation in these programs will help them to further the development of their organization.

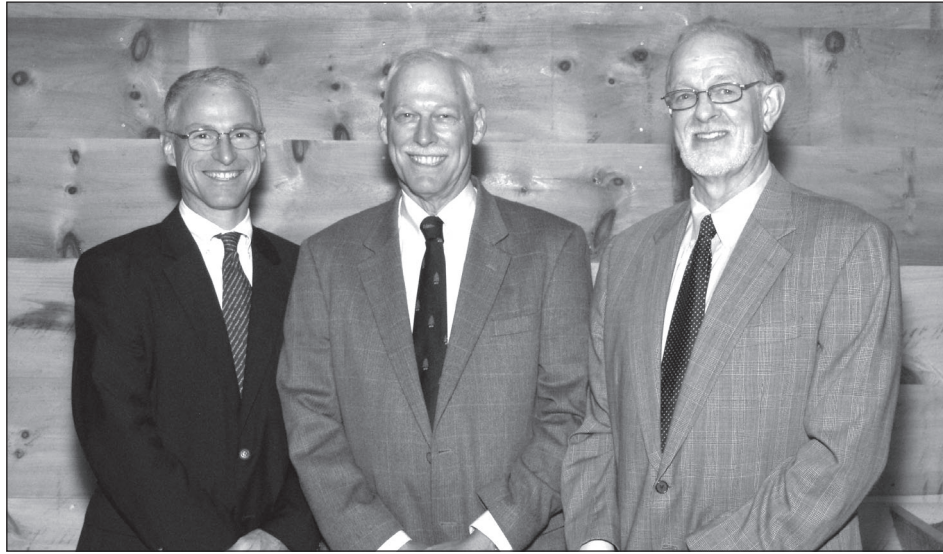
Porter, a Boston University alumna, is one of 40 participants in BU's School of Management Institute for non-profit Management and Leadership. The seven-month program consists of a hands-on curriculum with management seminars, practice seminars with live cases, and mentoring to help participants understand themselves as leaders. Porter said she is excited to interact with other non-profit leaders in the program and that her professional progress will help Pathways grow.

"I hope to further develop my leadership skills to lead this organization to the next level," said Porter, who received one of five scholarships for the program. "In 2009, the organization will turn 20 years old. I believe my participation in this program will assist me in designing the program for the next twenty years."

The next level for Pathways, according to Porter, is financial independence. The organization currently relies on earned income, individual donors, and state support.

"A stable financial structure has always been a challenge for a small non-profit," Porter said. "My goal is moving Pathways beyond dependence on public dollars."

Porter said the program would help her achieve this goal by developing her leader-



South End resident Bill Clendaniel was recently awarded the Charles Eliot award by The Trustees of Reservations, a distinction presented to individuals recognized for their commitment to the preservation of natural heritage. Pictured: Andrew Kendall, President of The Trustees of Reservations, Bill Clendaniel, and Wes Ward, The Trustees' VP for Conservation.

ship and management skills and providing a peer network.

While Porter is participating in her leadership program, director of programs Caggianeli will partake in a yearlong program at the Massachusetts Institute for Community Health Leadership. Her program consists of monthly conferences addressing different leadership issues such as working as a system, understanding cultural and linguistic competence, and re-imagining oneself as a leader. Each conference will be led by renowned leadership faculty members.

Caggianeli, 25, believes herself to be one of the youngest participants in the program. She said the program will help her "gain skills

needed to lead in the health sector."

"It's a really powerful thing," said Caggianeli, who received a graduate certificate in non-profit management from Northeastern University in 2006. "I think it's a great opportunity to get input from people I don't normally have access to."

Caggianeli said she has a lot of responsibilities as director of programs and that what she learns at the conferences will be useful in her work.

Pathways to Wellness is a non-profit public health organization that provides therapies including acupuncture, shiatsu, and Chinese herbal medicine to all people in need of care.

— Aviva Gat

### ABCD to Honor Mel King

Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD) will honor activist, political heavyweight, and South End resident Mel King this Friday, October 31, at its Annual Community Awards Dinner at the Marriott Boston Copley Place.

ABCD singled out King for recognition based on his efforts in bettering the Boston community both as a member of government and as a volunteer.

During his ten years as a State Representative, King helped change the Massachusetts public school policy of using IQ tests to track students progress and abilities, increased funding in school systems under duress, and pushed for the creation of thousands of jobs and affordable housing.

Additionally, King founded numerous successful social organizations, such as the MIT Community Fellows Program and The Urban School and Thompson Academy Upward Bound program. King's efforts as a volunteer remain visible today as he continues to put in time at the South End Technology Center at Tent City, which he also helped create.

King nearly served Boston as its Mayor in 1983. Despite ultimately losing the election to Ray Flynn, King used grassroots efforts to gain enough political traction to prove a worthy adversary.

ABCD is collection of community programs that serves more than 100,000 low-income Boston-area residents. Dr. Joseph E. Aoun, Northeastern University's seventh president, will serve as keynote speaker at ABCD's Awards Dinner.

— Brandon Simes

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