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INTERVIEW AND TRIBUTE

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Sheila has served LLC as president since June 1, 2023. This June 1, 2026 she will step away from the presidency. During her three-year term, she faced daunting challenges. LLC had returned to holding in-person classes, but the lingering COVID-19 epidemic still gave many members realistic concerns about in-person classes. LLC needed to rethink the kinds and balance of classes it would offer, as well as come to terms with new technology. Then suddenly, in 2024-2025, LLC needed to find a new home. In this interview, Sheila shares her thoughts on these and other events.

"Sheila is a thoughtful and brave leader. She led the transition from Temple Beth El to the Shriners Center. Her attention to detail is remarkable. She runs a tight ship but always manages to wear a smile. She has that unique spark of creativity, drive and passion that led LLC to great success during her term as President."

Joseph Petteruti, Co-Chair, Governance Committee

What motivated you to take the presidency?

"In 2015, I retired and I found that LLC with its diversity of courses and with its lively members enriched my and my husband's retirement. And, as a member, I was so proud of LLC's response when Covid turned our world upside down."

Indeed, quarantine restrictions on face-to-face meetings started two weeks after the beginning of the spring 2019 semester. LLC immediately cancelled classes at Temple Beth El, but we did not stop learning. As Sheila recalls, "Our leadership shifted us to Zoom on a dime. Some key volunteers helped members master this new approach to learning. And our members stepped up to the challenge. They showed they were not afraid of technology."-Many times, I have heard members say that LLC was their lifeline during Covid.

Sheila continues, "So, when LLC put out a call in 2023 for people interested in becoming President, I felt that this was an opportunity to give back to the organization that I loved and enjoyed so much. I felt I had the experience needed. I had worked for many years with non-profits. For example, I helped to found Grow Smart RI (a non-profit started in 1991, dedicated to helping RI develop economically and in a sustainable manner while preserving our quality of life and place). At Grow Smart, I gained a lot of experience in bringing together people with different interests to achieve common goals."

What have been the highlights of your presidency?

“In the fall of 2023 we held our first in-person convocation in three years and celebrated LLC’s 40th anniversary. As we prepared for that, I had a chance to learn more about LLC’s beginnings from long-time members and past leaders and to understand the effort and thought that had gone into founding LLC. That was very inspiring. Then Art Norwalk, our Marketing Chair, made a wonderful video that gives us all a sense of LLC during the early years and of LLC, generally.

“In 2023, I worked closely with Planning Committee Co-Chairs Nick Miles and Dennis Flavin and the Planning Committee to produce a three-year strategic plan for LLC.” That plan, it should be noted, challenged each of LLC’s committees to do a self-evaluation of their routine orders of business and to come up with milestones and operational goals for the next three years. It was LLC’s first strategic plan and it still guides the work of our committees.

“Sheila has accomplished so much during her tenure—from moving us to a new home base to shepherding the development of a strategic plan. And that’s just the tip of the iceberg. Even more important, she has done it with aplomb and a style that’s been warm, welcoming, and inclusive. Presidential success has become a pejorative term these days. But not with Sheila. LLC has thrived under her leadership.”

Nickerson Miles, Chair, Planning Committee

Another very bright highlight of Sheila’s three years as president was this spring’s convocation. “I had felt that we could do more to enliven our convocations.” Indeed, she did more.

“In the fall of 2025,” Sheila explains, “we were approached by leaders of Edgewood Village to join forces and create a program together.” Their idea was to bring the well-known actor Peter Gerety to speak and reminisce. Gerety had grown up in Edgewood and gotten his start in acting by joining the then young and experimentally-oriented Trinity Square Repertory Company. He had many tales to tell, and he loved to tell them. Sheila and the Edgewood leaders formed a planning committee and came up with the idea of having Tony Estrella, the Gamm Theater’s Artistic Director, interview Gerety. Then they set about integrating the interview with LLC’s usual convocation events, including the Coordinators Open House.



Sheila with Peter Gerety,
Convocation Spring 2026.
Photo by Liz Siftar

The event was a huge success, with more than 200 attendees, most of them LLC'ers. Sheila adds, "This event offered LLC a chance to collaborate with Edgewood Village and to change spring convocation. I was delighted with the response of the neighborhood and with LLC members. We learned a lot about how to collaborate with another organization and established a great relationship with Edgewood Village."

The move to the Shriner's Center and its impact

Perhaps the most prominent event of Sheila's presidency, and the biggest challenge to her leadership, was LLC's move from Temple Beth El to the Shriners Center. It was a daunting challenge that came on suddenly.

In 2024-2025, Beth El's administrative leadership suddenly made new demands on LLC, to impose fee increases, and to suggest plainly that LLC should look for a new home. In response, Governance Co-Chair Dave Hansen and Treasurer Gene Mihaly began a search for new space for our classes. Luckily, just as our lease with Beth El was expiring, we received word that the Shriners Center might have classroom space available, plus it had a large, mostly empty parking lot. These features were powerful selling points. After careful review by the Board, a lease with the Shriners was approved and signed. *But that was only the beginning.*

Now the work of the move really began, and Sheila paid attention to every detail and demand. The membership had to be helped to understand that the move was necessary and that the new location was an excellent choice. Sheila led the way in communicating so effectively with the membership. Then, all the details that go into moving our furniture, technology and other properties demanded attention, and Sheila paid attention. She was there on pack-up day, on moving day, and on many days after that. She drew to-scale floor plans for tables, chairs and TV carts, making sure that each classroom would be ready for the start of classes in fall 2025. Then she made sure that at convocation and other times, the membership could tour the new facilities and be ready for start of classes on September 15, 2025.

"Sheila managed the unanticipated ending of our tenure at Beth El with tact and skill. And then she led the search for finding and arranging for a new home with patience (deeply needed), strength and - again - great diplomatic skill. She has served LLC brilliantly."

Eugene Mihaly, Treasurer

The impact of the move to the Shriners Center remains a concern for Sheila and for LLC. Sheila and the Board have closely monitored the situation. "Our membership numbers are pretty much the same as in past years. The number of seats filled in classes is pretty much the same, too. Many people like our new home. Everyone agrees that the parking is great, and we have an opportunity to attract more members from South County and West Bay." But what about the membership from the East Bay? "For us to know the true impact of the move, we'll need to look at membership numbers after our new membership year begins in June. We should probably do a survey to better understand the issues the move has created for some members. Then, once we get the results, we will have to decide what can be done to respond to those issues. Unfortunately, what we can't do is speed up the Bridge repairs!"

Looking to the future for LLC and for herself

"I'm very enthusiastic about LLC's future. We have a strong organization with very strong leadership. We are close to what I think may be our membership level sweet spot for the next few years of about 550 members. I'm excited about the opportunity technology offers for hybrid classes. We have enthusiastic members. They help spread the word so that others become interested in what we have to offer. Many already serve as coordinators and work on committees, and I think there are many more members who are ready to get involved in helping our all-volunteer organization flourish. And we have the invaluable support of our Administrator Merrie Lavigne."

For the past three years, Sheila has been totally committed to ensuring the ongoing success of LLC. She was a driving force in the transition to our new home at Shriners, an enthusiastic supporter of (and activist in implementing) the strategic plan as well as a direct participant in so many programs and activities. Her well organized, thorough, and hands-on leadership inspired many others to become more involved.

David Hansen, former President; current Co-Chair Governance Committee

In thinking about the future of LLC, Sheila has wise words of advice, based on the retirement trends among potential new members. "There has been a shift in the retirement age. People are retiring later, in their early 70's and older. If we are going to keep up our membership numbers, we need to attract that age group." Sheila asks, "Can we effectively attract 70-year-olds? We need to let them know what LLC has to offer them. Maybe we should start talking with university HR departments and with teacher unions to let them know about LLC just as they are retiring. Maybe we could get our name into their retirement packets."

What will Sheila do, starting in June, when she steps down from the presidency? “I'm looking forward to getting back to coordinating! And I'm sure I'll work on an LLC committee because I love working with other members.” On a personal note, Sheila explains, “During these past three years, my husband Dick (Sheila’s husband, former LLC Treasurer, and active LLC member) has been so supportive. Now we're looking forward to having more free time for trips, theater and the other activities we enjoy together. And, of course, our grandchildren—if busy teens have time for their grandparents!”

“Sheila kept us focused, worked through challenges with thoughtfulness, and helped LLC continue to build a strong sense of community around learning.”

*Carolyn Roberts, former Vice President,
current member of Governance and Planning Committees*

“Though there is no question about Sheila's vision and leadership, her remarkable and relentless work ethic, and her complete commitment to the development and success of LLC, what impressed me most over the past three years was how, even in the most challenging situations, she addressed them with remarkable tact, relentless respect and a generosity of spirit that never wavered. She isn't just a great leader: she is a great human being.”

*Dennis Flavin, former Treasurer,
current member of the Finance Committee*

- **This article was written by Linda Shamon with help from Sheila Brush.**

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UPCOMING EVENT

Lunch and Learn Returns to LLC!

Lunch and Learn, a pre-COVID-19 program that was a favorite with LLC'ers, starts again on May 19th at 12:30 pm, with a special program designed by LLC'ers for LLC'ers.

It's the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. We're marking the occasion by taking a close a look at the famous and not-so-famous words and phrases. What were the founders intentions, sources, and meanings? What did they mean by the 'Pursuit of Happiness?' What did they envision when they called us 'One People'? How do we understand these words today? Join us to hear these and other foundational ideas debated.

We will read the document aloud. We will celebrate with lunch, song, and anniversary cake! Bring your lunch or reserve a box lunch of your choice.

Available seats are almost all reserved.

Registration closes on May 3.

Click [here](#) to register.

Celebrating 250 Years

Join us on May 19th, 12:30-2:30 pm, for an LLC Lunch and Learn Event, McIntyre Room, Shriners Center:

The Declaration of Independence, What were they thinking in 1776? What are we thinking in 2026?

A special program, box lunch options, and 250th anniversary cake!

Registration required*

*Registration and box lunch (wrap choices available): \$10.
(Box lunch: Wrap or salad, chips, cookie, water)
Registration fee, bring your lunch: \$5.
Online registration starts April 6. Go to LLC website.
Registration closes: May 3.
More information: lkshamoon@gmail.com

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UPCOMING EVENT:

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, May 1, 2, 3: Explore Prov.'s Amazing Public Art: Go on a Jane's Walk, Led by LLC'ers.

This semester, Gayle Gifford and Cathy Hurst have been co-coordinating an LLC course entitled: "Explore Providence's Public Art, Meet Jane Jacobs, and Co-Lead a Walking Conversation."

Named after urban activist and writer [Jane Jacobs](#), Jane's Walks are held annually during the first weekend in May to coincide with her birthday, May 4. Jane's Walks take place in hundreds of cities each year. They are walking conversations and create space for civic dialogue and neighborhood pride. They are led by anyone who has an interest in the neighborhood where they live, work, play, or socialize.

The class has prepared four walks, and two other LLC members are also conducting walks. Below is the complete list of LLC walks. **All tours are free, and no registration is required.** Just show up at the designated starting place and time. (There are another 14 walks in Providence besides ours; check the PPS website for details.)

<https://ppsri.org/events/janes-walk-providence-an-annual-festival-of-free-resident-led-walking-conversations/>

NOTE: Check the PPS website before leaving for your walk to confirm start time and place.

Friday, May 1, 10 am, Wickenden Street Murals with Myra Jerozal, Janet Miller, and Maria Mansella; meet at the India Point Pedestrian Bridge at George M. Cohan Blvd.

Friday, May 1, 1 pm, The Stuck Bridge with Hugh Gorman; meet at Roger Williams Square on Gano St in Fox Point.

Friday, May 1, 4 pm, The Historic Jewelry District with Olin Thompson; meet at the small park (wooden platforms) at the intersection of Richardson and Ship Sts.

Saturday, May 2, 10:30 am, Downtown Murals with Carole Marshall, Catherine Cochran, and Kathleen Liebenow; meet at Trinity Rep, 201 Washington St.

Saturday, May 2, 1:30 pm, Looking Up, Downtown: Building Embellishments with Matt Hodge and Catherine Hurst; meet on Memorial Blvd at Fulton St (“back” of the Federal Building/Courthouse).

Sunday, May 3, 10:30 am, What We Commemorate: Monuments and Memorials with Lisa Miles, Jessica Siegel, and Linda Shamoon; meet at Rhode Island Nine Memorial, on the Providence River Greenway, near the intersection of Friendship and Dyer Sts.

- **The article was written by Catherine Hurst**

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

LLC's Newest Committee: The Committee on Member Engagement.

LLC has a brand-new committee: the Ad Hoc Committee on Member Engagement. Its mission is to enhance the membership experience by developing meaningful social and learning opportunities that supplement our classroom-based offerings.

This committee is only two months old, but it has already developed a list of more than fifteen potential social and learning opportunities. The list includes different kinds of activities, such as community service meetups, a wine tasting, sports-focused meetups, a summer barbecue, LLC story slams, more casual meetups like the Breakfast Club, and more.



Kate
McGovern,
Chair



Diana
Grady



Sandy
Levis



Ruth
Mills



Jane Adler



Linda
Shamoon



Sam
Shamoon



Barbara
Simon



Leslie
Walden



Steve
Walden

“The committee members have such energy. They developed that list during our first meeting,” explains Linda Shamoon, LLC Vice President. “Furthermore, they have already sparked two activities on the list, a community service event and a 250th anniversary celebration.”

At the very first meeting of the committee, Sandy Levis, Leslie Walden, and Kate McGovern started organizing community service meetups. The first such event was the April 19th meetup and cleanup at Providence’s India Point Park. On that Sunday, fifteen LLC’ers met at the park, donned special gold-colored LLC tee shirts, joined other volunteers and spruced up this popular park for the public to enjoy.” This meetup demonstrates one aim of

the committee, to offer LLC'ers opportunities to do good for the broader community while in the company of other LLC'ers. See photos of the event here.

Now, another engagement activity launches on Tuesday, May 19th! It's a **Lunch and Learn Café, to be held in the McIntyre Room at the Shriners Center**. The occasion is the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. "There is an LLC class studying the history, writing, and impact of the Declaration of Independence. Thanks to the leadership of class coordinator Lee Ashcraft and the enthusiasm of class members, we are developing a lively and interactive program for this Lunch and Learn event on May 19th." Linda adds, "Along with the learning portion of the program, we aim to have a celebration. We'll read the Declaration aloud, cheer for our favorite lines, sing relevant songs, and share anniversary cake!"

All LLC members are welcome on May 19th, 12:30 – 2:30 pm, but they must register.

Registration deadline: Tuesday May 3rd. A \$10 fee includes a box lunch. LLC'ers may choose to bring their own lunch for a \$5 registration fee. [Registration is online](#).

As the committee looks to the future, they plan to facilitate other community service events, they aim to have more Lunch and Learn sessions, and they want to add to their list of social and learning opportunities for LLC'ers. The committee is looking for more members and for more suggestions. "We are open for business and welcoming. Please join us." Send an email to lkshamoon@gmail.com.

- **This article was written by Linda Shamoon**

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Hi Elsie. Can I bring my dog to class? (From Big-time Animal Lover)

Hi Big-Time,

I, too, am a fan of humanity's best friend, but you will have to keep Fido out of the LLC classroom. Neither the Shriners nor LLC allow dogs, cats, lizards, peacocks or any other animal in the building (except service dogs).

FYI, one time, in defiance of our policy, an LLC'er brought his dog to class. Bad idea! The dog peed on the carpet. The janitor had to clean it up. (But I thought the owner should have cleaned it up!). That was a doggy tale we do not want to repeat. In addition, we know that a few LLC'ers have a fear of dogs.

So, all in all, when you attend class at the Shriners, Bowser stays home. (Service animals excepted.)

Woof, woof. (Translation: Your friend, Elsie.)

Elsie: Is LLC still part of Brown? (From History Buff)

Hey, Buff,

You need a history lesson! In 1983, Brown helped LLC get started, but we parted company years ago—in 2008. (The LLC website says it was an amicable 'divorce,' but hmmm . . .).

You may remember, Buff, that our married name was "Brown Community Learning in Retirement." Of course, when we became single and independent, we wanted a new name. For a while, we called ourselves "Building a Community of Learners in Retirement," and that was sort of accurate. We were a community of learners, right, Buff? But we didn't follow the Brown model: just sit and listen. We didn't learn that way, back then, and we do not learn that way today. We ask questions, we search for answers, we share our discoveries, we talk with each other about our insights. In other words, we are collaborative learners.

So, Buff, that's why in 2013 we chose a new name, "The Lifelong Learning Collaborative." Today, May 2026, we are still independent, still a community of learners. Yes, as of fall 2025, we are in a new place, #1 Rhodes Place, Cranston, but we are now 500 members learning together, and we are still going strong. We are independent, and we are collaborative.

Elsie

Dear Elsie: Why can't I have a snack or bring cookies from the Coffee Room into the classroom? (From Always Hungry.)

Dear Always Hungry,

I'm right there with you. There's nothing I would like better than to have my morning joe with a few biscotti (or to have a bagel and cream cheese) while listening to my classmate's presentation. But, A.H., I must admit that I would probably scatter crumbs on the floor or maybe drop a chunk of bagel. I would try to clean up the bagel, but that splatter of cream cheese? And those crumbs, from all fifteen members of the class? Then the afternoon class adds to the crumbs. Pretty soon, that classroom is awash in crumbs. A.H., are you going to sweep the floor and wipe down the tables each evening? No, A.H., the best and least expensive way, too, is to keep all food in the Coffee Room and allow only a covered cup of a beverage in the classroom. Don't you agree, A.H.?

FYI, we should be careful in the Coffee Room, too. Letizia cleans the Coffee Room for us once a week. IMHO, if all of us try to eat carefully in the Coffee Room, (sitting at the table while enjoying a cookie, catching most crumbs on a paper plate, clearing up after ourselves), a once-a-week cleaning by Letizia should be sufficient. Agree A.H, or not?

Elsie

Hello Elsie: I'm thinking about leading a course, but I was not a teacher. So, I am very hesitant to do it. (From Nervous Nellie)

My dear Nellie,

Kudos to you for thinking about stepping up to coordinate a course. Our coordinators are the heroes of LLC. You could be a hero!

If you have an idea for a course that excites you, go for it! I promise you that others will be excited, too. Do not worry that you were not a teacher. LLC will support you and help you develop your idea into a course and into a weekly plan for each class meeting.

Here are the steps to follow: Send an email to info@lifelonglearning.org. State your idea and that you are willing to be a coordinator. A member of the Curriculum Committee will be in touch to offer help, partnering with you as needed at every stage in the process of planning the course.

Think about it, Nell, your idea will go public and in print in LLC's catalog of courses. LLC members will gather to discuss, research, and learn about your topic, in depth. You will make new friends, you will be an LLC hero. I urge you to go for it!
Your friend Elsie

**Do you have a question for Elsie? Send it to info@lifelonglearningcollaborative.org
She'll respond in email and in The Owl.**

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PHOTO ALBUM

Pics and notes from a great event.



On Sunday, April 19th, a team of twelve LLC members braved the rain and helped pick up 151 pounds of trash along the waterfront of India Point Park. In our new LLC tee shirts, we could easily identify each other and to get to know one another. We will have another exciting service project this summer. Watch your email for an announcement.

- **Notes by Leslie Walden. Photos by Linda Shamoon**



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IMPORTANT NOTICES

LLC Members' Calendars

Important Notifications, Events, and Deadlines

Upcoming Events

May 1, 2, 3	Jane's Walks with LLC volunteer leaders Explore Prov's amazing murals, historic monuments, building decorations, the Jewelry District, and the "stuck bridge." Information and details here .
May 4	Webinar "The Importance of Grandchildren Creating Lasting Memories with Grandparents." Register here
May 14	Webinar "Beyond Décor—Creating Spaces that Feel Right." Register here .
May 19	Lunch and Learn celebration of the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. Register here by May 3.
May 27	LLC annual meeting via zoom Review of 2025-26 achievements. Voting results; new officers announced. Preview of 2026-27 plans. Registration notice emailed on May 13 .
August 18	Lunch and Learn jazz concert, MacIntyre room, Shriners Center Our popular summer jazz concert, this year featuring Jazz pianist Tom White. Watch your email for details.
Sept. 10	Fall convocation (Date may be adjusted to Sept. 9 or 11. Check your email.)

LLC Member Organizational Participation: Your Vote is Needed!

May 1	Email notification Proposed budget and nominations for LLC officers for 2026-2027.
May 7	Q & A session for members, 4 pm, Zoom Opportunity to ask questions about nominations and proposed budget. Registration required. Watch your email for registration link.
May 13, 14, 15	Voting for officers and proposed budget Ballot emailed on May 13 at 9 am. Email your completed ballot by May 15 at 6 pm.
May 13	Email notification Notice of Annual Meeting and registration information.
May 26	Registration deadline for annual meeting Register to attend by May 26.
May 27	LLC's annual meeting via Zoom Review of 2025-26 achievements. Voting results; new officers announced. Preview of 2026-27 plans. Registration notice emailed on May 13
June 1	Membership renewal for 2026-27 Streamline registration for classes and events by paying yearly dues now.

Calendar for Summer and Fall Classes

May 4	Course catalog LLC's listing of summer courses. Check email.
May 11	Summer registration Sign up for summer classes. Registration starts promptly at 9 am. Check email for link at 8:50 am.
June 1	Deadline Course proposals for fall classes. Click here.
June 15	Classes begin Summer session.
July 20	Course catalog LLC's listing of fall courses. Check email.

July 27	Fall registration Sign up for fall classes. Registration starts promptly at 9 am. Check email for link at 8:50 am.
August 3	Classes end Many summer classes end this week.
September 14	Classes begin Fall session.

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The Committee for Member Engagement.

We're creating new opportunities
for members to engage with LLC
beyond the classroom: Half-day
community service meetups.

Lunch and Learn cafes.

Story slams. And??

**We need more ideas, energy,
and your help.**

Please join us!

Email: lkshamoon@gmail.com

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We Need Your Help for

ONE DAY – MAY 19TH



Lunch and Learn at the Shriner's



It's Party Time!

250th Anniversary-Declaration of Independence.

Help needed:

- Greeters, registration table, setup team, refreshments team, AV crew.
- **Benefits: helpers attend for free.**
 - Email: lkshamoon@gmail.com

We are the Membership Committee

We **welcome, engage, and support** new members,
and we help with retaining all members.

We are the point of contact for every new member.
We help them with registration, convocation, and more.
We take surveys. We track the data.

We need more committee members. We need you!

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