

A Message from Tom Esposito, LLI President

I am looking forward to greeting our new members and welcoming them into LLI. We want to impress on them and all of our members that we have a wonderful organization and we can only keep it that way if all members participate.

As we look forward to the beginning of our 2017–2018 year, I extend my personal thanks to all our members who have volunteered in the past year. This past year has been one of great change and accomplishment. A lot has been happening! We are fortunate to have talented and dedicated members who have carried forward and brought to life many recommendations from our 2015-2016 long range planning effort, started by past President Joyce Carter-Krawczyk.

Donna Warner, 1st Vice President, started the teams that have created many of the changes, as you can see in her comments below. Jill Lundquist, 2nd Vice President convened a Bylaws committee that put in many hours and talked to many people to complete the Bylaws revision that I am happy to report has been approved in our recent election. Over the past two years, Chuck Mishaan, AV/Tech Chair, has been an inspirational leader bringing technology to LLI, simplifying our operations, and helping all of us adapt to change, while Anne Sunners and her Programs Team and Curriculum Committee took on the challenge of bringing us exciting new programs. A special thank you to all those team members!



Bylaws

Jack Conklin
Paul Higgins
Carol Kleban
Jill Lundquist
Bobbie Post
Donna Warner

Planning and Evaluation

Linda Bouchey
Tom Esposito
Jill Lundquist
Chuck Mishaan
Anne Sunners
Jan Wallen
Donna Warner

Programs Committee

Gene Burns
Ellen Foreman
Carol Goss
Mary Mc Clellan
Joanne Mrstik
Martha Nickels
Anne Sunners

Donna Warner

Volunteer and Leadership Development

Mary Deady
Irene Esposito
Kathleen Evans
Robert English
Ollie Johnson
Deborah Lanser
Bobbie Post
Linda Stanley
Donna Warner
Maddy Watterson

Website Development & Management

Mary McClellan
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Linda Bouchey

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(plus many team members)

Thank You! From Donna Warner, 1st Vice President

As an outcome of the Long Range Planning team's work in 2016, we established two committees that I chaired, *Planning and Evaluation* and *Volunteer and Leadership Development*. The commitment, enthusiasm, and energy of every team member was truly impressive, and they have my most sincere thanks for all their work, which resulted in so many steps forward for LLI.

Thanks to the Planning and Evaluation Committee, LLI was able to move purposely this year from global long-range recommendations to newly minted policies and programs. With Council approval, Planning and Evaluation created and helped coordinate three new cross-functional teams charged with implementing the recommendations. The Programs Team and the Curriculum Committee created SummerFest and have added Saturday programs to our schedule.

The Membership Team and the A/V Tech Committee developed systems that allow us to register for classes and evaluate them online. The Volunteer and Leadership Development team created new materials for prospective members, including a new e-application, and content for our new website, "Frequently Asked Questions" and "Helping LLI." This team also initiated a mentoring program for our new members and will be conducting a survey to create an inventory of our members' capabilities. Chuck Mishaan and his Tech team were critical to the success of all these efforts.

A cross-functional Web team also grew out of Planning and Evaluation efforts and resulted in our much-improved website *bardlli.com*. The project was supported by other committees: AV/Tech, Catalog, Communications, Volunteer and Leadership Development, Planning and Evaluation, and Registration. Thank you, all!

Thank You! From Jill Lundquist, 2nd Vice President

During the course of the 2016-2017 school year, I chaired the Bylaws Review Committee. Our committee worked tirelessly to review the past bylaws and recommend changes that were then carefully worded and resulted in the proposed bylaws revisions. This was a painstaking and very time-consuming process, and I am deeply indebted to the members of the Committee who worked so diligently as we made our way through this important work.

Along the way we met on several occasions with members of the Planning and Evaluation Committee and with members of the Executive Committee, to seek their wisdom and counsel regarding changes we were proposing. The final proposed changes were then presented to the full LLI Council, discussed in depth over the course of two Council meetings in the spring of 2017, and approved unanimously by the Council in early June.

My sincere thanks to the other members of the Bylaws Committee for their excellent work throughout the year.



Our 2017 Spring Semester and SummerFest Member Volunteers

There would be no LLI at Bard without you.

A big thank you to everyone who volunteered for 2017 Spring and SummerFest!

Member Presenters

Spring

Gail Albert
Steve Bassin
Susan Blacker
Jay Hochstadt
Annie LaBarge
Alan Lipper
Paul McLaughlin
Chuck Mishaan
Lowell Thing
Bill Tuel

SummerFest

Nathan Brenowitz
D. Michael Simpler

Discussion Leaders

Sara Hardman
Ollie Johnson

Class Producers

Spring

Regina Armstrong
Dorothy Baran
Bob Blacker
Jane Diamond
Ellen Foreman
Dacie Kershaw
Claire Luse
Dona McLaughlin
Chuck Mishaan
Joanne Mrstik
Barbara Post
Cathy Reinis
Denise Ryan
Barbara Sarah
Margaret Shuhala
Lowell Thing
Bill Tuel

SummerFest

Dorothy Baran
Margaret Shuhala
Bill Tuel

Catalog Committee

Bill Tuel, Chair
Margaret Shuhala
Ellen Foreman
Barbara Herles

Tony Herles

Class Support Committee:

Carol Goss, Chair
Maddy Watterson, Asst.
Chair
Elaine Habernig
Maxine Kamin
Diana Ziegenfelder
Irene Esposito
Kathleen Evans
Merrill Mishaan

Class Managers

Spring

Nora Adelman
Karen Bodi
Bob Blacker
Brenda Brockett
Dorothy Burns
Jack Conklin
Donn Critchell
Roesalice D'Avanzo
Mary Deady
Jane Diamond
Leslie Drojack
Renee Englander
Irene Esposito
Kathleen Evans
Richard Franklin
Prudence Garcia-Renart
Felice Gelman
Elaine Habernig
Barbara Herles
Susan Hirsch
Maxine Kamin
Prema Kaye
Joanne Keller
Dacie Kershaw
Janet Kettler
Carol Kleban
Linda Legendre
Nina Lynch
Susan Manuel
Phyllis Marsteller
Harvey Monder
Bonnie Nechemias
Lenore Nemeth

Lauren Piperno
Marjorie Roberts
Denise Ryan
Barbara Schoenberg
Joe Schoenberg
Ward Stanley
Art Stein
Gloria Sumner
Lowell Thing
Ruth Tourjee
Lisa Tumbleson
Ellen Waggener
Jan Wallen
John Watterson
Jon Wechsler
Marcie Woodruff
SummerFest
Elaine Habernig, Manager
Dorothy Baran
Judy Blancher
Eugene Burns
Barbara Herles
Joe Schoenberg
Margaret Shuhala

Communications

Amy Messing, Chair
Cathy Reinis
Margaret Shuhala
Janeth Thoron
Jan Wallen
Snail Mail
Martha Nickels
Telephones
Rose Benvenuto
Kathleen Hanzl
Barbara Herles
Suzanne Thing
Joan Zitz

Curriculum Committee

Anne Sunners, Chair
Regina Armstrong
Dorothy Baran
Bob Blacker
Anne Brueckner
Jane Diamond
Ellen Foreman

Dacie Kershaw
Claire Luse
Dona McLaughlin
Joanne Mrstik
Cathy Reinis
Denise Ryan
Margaret Shuhala
Bill Tuel
Leslie Weinstock

Hospitality

Martha Nickels, Chair
Larry Freeman
Mary Hathaway
Barbara Herles
Janet Junge
Carol Kleban
Joanne Mrstik
Marge Roberts
Rosalie Rossi
Anne Sunners

Member Services

Linda Stanley, Chair
Marion Corbin
Deborah Lanser
Bobbie Post

Registration

LLI Council Members

Tom Esposito, President
Donna Warner, 1st Vice President
Jill Lundquist, 2nd Vice President
Cathy Reinis, Secretary
Susan Hirsch, Treasurer
Bill Tuel, Catalogue
Carol Goss, Class Support
Amy S. Messing, Communications
Anne Sunners, Curriculum
Martha Nickels, Hospitality
Linda Stanley, Member Services
Dan Peterson, Registration
Gene Burns, Special Events/Intersession
Al Becker, Member at Large
Jan Wallen, Member at Large
Chuck Mishaan, Member at Large
Ollie Johnson, Member at Large

Jonathan Becker, LLI-Bard Liaison
Dean Emeritus Stuart Stritzler-Levine, Bard Liaison
Joyce Carter-Krawczyk, Past President

Dan Peterson, Chair
Chuck Mishaan
Martha Nickels
Ken Panza
Bobbie Post
Cathy Reinis

Special Events

Gene Burns, Chair
Dorothy Burns
Rosealice D'Avanzo
Mary Deady
Elissa Dini
Dacie Kershaw
Leslie Weinstock

AD HOC COMMITTEES

AV/Tech

Chuck Mishaan, Chair
Dod Crane
Donn Critchell
David Gelb
Joanne Gelb
Phyllis Heiko
Oliver Johnson
Dave Jutton
Lily Kamenecka
Joe Kavaky

Mary McClellan
Harvey Monder
Ken Panza
Gus Pedersen
Dan Peterson
Lauren Piperno
Fred Reinis
Fred Roe
Michael Simpler
Dale Sorenson
Lowell Thing

Elections

Ollie Johnson, Chair
Robert English
Harvey Monder
Arthur Stein

Finance

Susan Hirsch, Chair
Al Becker
Tom Esposito
Kathleen Evans
Ollie Johnson

Archives

Johanna Bard