



LRI Volunteer Award



Roberta Segal
*Community Volunteer &
Chair of Gallery LRI*

Roberta Segal, a member of the Xi Class of 1994, has been involved in Leadership Rhode Island for over eight of the past eleven years as an alumna. She has been a board member and board secretary, chair of the Marketing Committee, and is currently the chair and founder of Gallery LRI, a changing exhibit of local artists in the LRI offices.

A phone call from her friend, 2005 David E. Sweet Award honoree Bill Allen, encouraged Roberta to apply to LRI's Core Program. As an owner of her own marketing firm, she was concerned about the time away from the office and what value the program could deliver. But according to Roberta, from the first snowy days at retreat to the final session, she was inspired by the breadth of experience, the diversity of opinions, the creative energy, the skills of servant leadership, and the depth of knowledge of her peers.

Community voluntarism means a great deal to Roberta. Although she has chosen to step down from the LRI board in order to give others the chance to serve, she continues to chair the Gallery Committee. For the past five years, she has co-chaired a task force for victims of domestic violence; she sits on the board of Whitmarsh Corporation; is a past president and serves on the Long Range Planning Committee of Temple Habonim; is Vice President of the Rhode Island Section National Council of Jewish Women; and is on the board of Brown Community of Learning in Retirement.

Refusing to be defined, Roberta says she is in transition. She still works with one client, and devotes much of her time in her Warren studio to kiln-formed glass and painting.