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Dear BQLI Region Friends,

There is a Japanese proverb that says, "When the character of a man is not clear to you, look at his friends."

During the weeks leading up to Thanksgiving, I traveled the BQLI Region visiting our Sisterhoods. Although unfortunate for my waistline, I am honored to attend these membership dinners (and one special brunch, too!) and I'm grateful to have the opportunity to share Women's League information, to represent our Region, and to mingle with friends.

The dictionary defines a *friend* as a person whom one knows and with whom one has a bond of mutual affection. By this meaning, I have made hundreds of friends during my term as Region President! This is, of course, one of the best consequences of spending time with our Sisterhoods, as I have recently. I am welcomed as a member of each and every Sisterhood I visit whether I am there for the first time or the tenth!

Thanksgiving allowed me the time to reflect on my good fortune. I want to say thank you to those who have invited me to incredible fashion shows, fund game nights, interesting speakers, shopping extravaganzas, and baking events.

I say, please, judge me by the company I keep! My WL friends are smart, creative, funny and caring. Yes, they are women of fine character!

B'Shalom,  
Grace

