

The women of University Synagogue Sisterhood began our two-day celebration of my installation as their new president with a fabulous dinner party. Joined by 15 sisters from other SH's in the greater Los Angeles area, we wined and dined on the roof of the Hotel Erwin. WRJPD First VP, Dana Adler, then presented a fascinating review of how she has grown with the help of her involvement in WRJ to become the Liberal Jewish Leader she is today. Discussion followed as a number of participants shared their WRJ stories of personal growth and empowerment.

The following day, our Sisterhood enjoyed the formal installation of the new Board with a luncheon in the Synagogue. At that time, I spoke about my love for Israel and my commitment to working towards the day that the State will truly be democratic and pluralistic. My volunteer efforts with WRJ enable me and empower me to constantly protect this center of my life. This is my passion. I recognize that with passion comes responsibility for action.

The theme for our Sisterhood this year will be: "Tzedek, Tzedek Tirdof. Justice, Justice shall you pursue." I believe that holding fast to these ideals as we plan our events for the coming year will keep us focused. Together we will succeed in keeping Sisterhood's mission strong: to bring women together

for spiritual, social and intellectual growth and to serve,  
educate and enrich our Sisterhood, our Synagogue, our people  
and the greater community.

Cain Y'he Ratzon. May it be God's will.