

Patricia Worcester

Patricia (Pat) Worcester was born and raised in Massachusetts. She and her husband David moved to Upland where David opened Quality Bookkeeping in Pomona. Their family became complete with the birth of their daughter Alexandra.

Pat became a member of Chaffey Community Republican Women through the sponsorship of Nina Pierce when the club met at the Arbor Restaurant in Upland. Right from the beginning Pat got involved by becoming Chairman of the Telephone Committee.

During the years Republican Women maintained a year round Headquarters, Pat volunteered to run it. She co-ordinate all of the activities that took place each day, whether it was campaign "season" or not, made sure volunteers were scheduled to accomplish the many and varied tasks that needed doing. Pat would "roll up her sleeves" and "lick and stick" the thousands of mailings that were never ending.

Though Pat volunteered her time in many campaigns, those that are paramount are the early campaigns of Congressman David Dreier, Senator Jim Brulte and Chuck Bader.

David and Pat were wonderful hosts for the many fundraising events the club put on each year. Their yard was always open for the Annual Barbeque and Ice Cream Socials. There is no length they would not go to in order for the event to be wonderful and memorable.

Pat loved the legislative part of being in the Federation. She volunteered to hold the position of 2nd Vice President on the Southern Division Board so that she could provide the Legislation Reports. She worked long and hard to gather the information she needed and consequently was very successful, many members would attend Southern Division meetings in order to hear Pat's reports.

Though Pat had many friends in the club, she shared a closeness with some more than others. She and JoAnne Cooke loved going to lunch and then shopping at Barbara Cheatley's in the Claremont Village. She and David joined Carol Horrell, Beverly Humphrey, Lorraine Plano and their husbands for monthly pinnacle games as members of the groups pinnacle Club.

She was also involved in the Literacy Program the club had for many years. Pat was very active in the "Friends of the Upland Library" for a number of years.

Pat cared for David during the years he was in poor health until his death a few years ago. She has maintained her membership in Chaffey Community Republican Women, though she has been unable to continue her volunteering due to her own health problems.