

## **BARBARA ZAVICHAS**

Barbara moved to Albuquerque in April of 1965. When she arrived, she visited all the bowling centers in the city and began bowling that same year. She consistently bowled from that year until 1988. She was a member of various leagues, including Albuquerque Ladies Classics for 23 years. Barbara also bowled the Lady Bugs, Dukettes Travelers, and Ladies Singles leagues to name a few. She not only bowled but held offices in them as well.

Her team participated in as many tournaments as possible, including AWBA, NMWBA and WIBC Nationals. She said “Bowling Nationals allowed me to bowl and visit such places as Denver, Tulsa, Houston, Atlanta, Tucson, San Antonio and Las Vegas.”.

Barbara served on the Board of Directors with AWBA for many years. She was also nominated to represent local bowlers at the National Convention of WIBC in Tulsa and Houston. She also served as a State Delegate for multiple years. While on the board of AWBA, she served on all the committees assigned to her. She enjoyed some assignments more than others which made her more aware of the end results.

Barbara served as the Chairperson of the Publicity Committee. At the time, there were no statistics available. She researched old records from individuals, newspaper clippings and micro disks at the Journal and Tribune offices. She was able to compile a complete journal of statistics and records of tournament winners, high scores and sets. She worked diligently with the writers and managers of the newspaper, radio, television and anyone else who she could find to get more recognition and publicity for the sport of bowling. She was able to get a bowling column in the papers.

After extensive research she compiled a history of the AWBA from conception to up to the completion of her position as Publicity Chairperson.

Barbara also worked as a Legislative Committee Chairperson along-side Joan Russell and Maxine Rucker. Together they compiled a legislative manual. These ladies accomplished this by searching through all minutes that were available, finding all motions that were voted on and passed, including all rules, and making sure everything was brought current and properly recorded. Then everything was typed and presented to the board. The entire endeavor took nearly a year.

**Barbara was not only a member of the 600 Club but also served as the secretary for 3 or 4 years. She contacted previous members to renew their memberships, thereby increasing membership. She also worked hosting a side tournament during the State Tournaments when they were hosted in Albuquerque.**

**While serving on the Banquet Committee she put together a skit that was a big hit.**

**It was at the end of the 87-88 season that Barbara had to step away from bowling for business and health reasons. She worked to promote the sport of bowling. She enjoyed the many wonderful people and great friends that bowling brought into her life. She cherishes her memories.**

