



The power of kindness

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The greatest teaching Pat left me through her example is the power of kindness. Pat was a strong and assertive woman but she had great respect for everyone, regardless of age, gender, expertise. Her business card was her smile and willingness to listen. As a woman I have always admired her ability to handle even the most complex situations with a great femininity that gave her an authority recognized by everyone, even by men coming from cultures in which the female condition is still very backward. I am in debt with her, especially for having supported me and introduced me to new environments, such as SCOSTEP (Scientific Committee on Solar-Terrestrial Physics), among the others. Pat was among the first supporters of my initiatives to promote radio sciences on polar regions and thanks to her I am now leading an important initiative approved by SCAR (Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research). She left us an important legacy to transfer to the next generation of researchers, students and early career scientists: the power of kindness.