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## “Edward I. Vrzal Outstanding Citizen Award to Everett Breach”

The annual Edward I. Vrzal Outstanding Citizen Award was presented to Everett Breach at the weekly Noon Kiwanis Club meeting at Time Square Event Center Monday, April 29. Mayor Sue Fuchtman as well as Norfolk Area Chamber Director Dennis Houston were on hand to give the award to Breach in recognition of his years of service and contributions to the community of Norfolk.



The award is usually presented at the annual Norfolk Area Chamber Banquet. Since Breach was unable to attend the banquet, it was given to him at the Kiwanis meeting.

Breach had not known he was receiving the award when he and his wife, Janet, attended Monday's meeting where he was announced the winner and given a standing ovation.

Having lived in Norfolk since 1968, Breach has been a member of the Norfolk Kiwanis for 45 years with 33 years of perfect attendance.

Everett has been a member of the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce since 1969 serving as an Ambassador since 1973; worked with the United Way since 1969 serving as a board member and past board president; and been a member of the Early Risers for Christ group for 43 years. He has been on the Habitat

for Humanity Board of Directors since 1997 and a member of SCORE since 2004.

For 21 years Breach was general manager of Norfolk Dodge and then worked for five and a half years at HobbyTown USA before retiring.

The Breachs have two children, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

In 1985 then Mayor Jim Scheer and members of the City Council decided that the City should create an annual award to recognize exceptional civic contributions of a Norfolk citizen. The elected officials at that time decided to name the award in memory and honor of former Mayor Edward I. Vrzal and he would also be the first recipient.

The first award was presented to his Vrzal's wife, Maybelle, at the May 6, 1985 City Council meeting.