

Dick Peterson

2011 Robert “Bobby” Clemens Special Recognition Award

Honoring an individual who has taken an extraordinary leadership role in developing new ways to support the Kiwanis Doernbecher Children’s Cancer Program and cultivate funding for the search to cure childhood cancers.

In November of 1992 Dick and Vivian Peterson moved from Colorado the Pacific Northwest to enjoy life at a little slower pace. Luckily for KDCCP, that didn’t last long. Dick was already a veteran Kiwanian with a lifetime of involvement when he came to KDCCP. In 1998 he took on the role of KDCCP Treasurer and in 2000 he assumed all of the administrative functions that Gene O’Brien had handled from KDCCP’s beginnings. Since then he has worked tirelessly to manage the financial and administrative business of the Board – applying for the raffle license, filing annual reports, paying state fees, acknowledging gifts in kind, and handling correspondence. He has also for the past thirteen years, prepared financial statements for two monthly KDCCP board meetings, paid the bills, prepared the budget, and provided impeccable management of the Board’s finances.

Those duties alone put him in the upper echelons of service to KDCCP but Dick has also always been an extraordinarily active fundraiser. He and Vivian are always willing to lend a hand wherever it is needed. Dick has served on the Vancouver Golf Committee, has sold ornaments and raffle tickets for the Mustang raffle, helped with the Awards Banquet and has fulfilled the vital role of delivering morning doughnuts for Kiwanis Day at Doernbecher

This year Dick steps down as KDCCP’s Treasurer but we are fortunate that he will be continuing as a member of the Board. Words cannot truly express our sincere gratitude and it is with enormous pleasure that we award him this year’s Bobby Clemens Special Recognition Award.