



U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS INC. GROTON BASE CHRIS QUIJADA DISTINGUISHED MEMBER AWARD

January 3, 2005

Shipmate Edward I Childs,

In recognition of your participation, and numerous contributions as a member of the U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS Inc.(USSVI) organization and in particular U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS Inc. Groton Base (SUBVETS Groton Base) , the Executive Board of SUBVETS Groton Base has determined that you should be recognized for your outstanding efforts for the year **2004** by awarding you the **SUBVETS GROTON BASE'S CHRIS QUIJADA DISTINGUISHED MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD.**

Your actions and efforts over the previous year have contributed significantly to promoting the USSVI organization, and in particular have positively contributed to helping and enhancing Groton Base, and in recruiting new members for both Groton Base and the USSVI Organization.

Your dedication and accomplishments were in keeping with the highest standards of our creed.

Specific Accomplishments/Contributions include:

- * Invaluable support for many functions of SUBVETS Groton Base. If there is an event you are there to support it. Specifically your involvement and participation with Memorial Services, 40th Anniversary Celebration, July 4th Parade, National Convention Parade, and the Holland Club Ceremony are commendable. You were also instrumental in assisting with several functions at the National Convention in Saratoga Springs NY. Your active involvement with many additional programs such as Base Field Days have all contributed to the success of SUBVETS Groton Base.
- * Demonstrated Leadership to the Memorial Committee. Your dedicated support and involvement in the care and preservation and maintenance of the National Submarine Memorial East has made significant improvements in the overall appearance of the memorial, the content of our Memorial Services and increased participation at Memorial Services.
- * Additionally you are Chair of the Memorial and Nomination Committees as well as a member of the Holland Club Committee. You have worked behind the scenes as well as leading the way helping maintain the synergy between SV WWII and USSVI. Your promotion and active participation in SUBVETS not only personifies our creed but often results in an increase of membership..
- * Excellent Role Model to other members with your meeting attendance, club participation and support. Your personal involvement and support is an inspiration to all.

We would like to thank you and recognize you here tonight 3 January 2005 in the presence of your fellow members. The SUBVETS Organization and SUBVETS Groton Base are both better because of your involvement in our Organization.

Smooth Sailing,

John Carcioppolo
USSVI Groton Base ***First and Finest***
Base Commander

VICE COMMANDER

SECRETARY

TREASURER

HOUSE COMMITTEE

"To perpetuate the memory of our shipmates who gave their lives in the pursuit of their duties while serving their country. That their dedication, deeds and supreme sacrifice be a constant source of motivation toward greater accomplishments. Pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States Government."

SUBMARINE VETERANS REMEMBER SHIPMATES THAT GAVE EVERYTHING