

U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS INC. GROTON BASE CHRIS QUIJADA DISTINGUISHED MEMBER OF THE YEAR 2007

Shipmate Brian Turley,

In recognition of your participation, and numerous contributions as a member of the U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS Inc. (USSVI) organization and in particular USSVI Groton Base, the Executive Board of SUBVETS Groton Base has determined that you should be recognized for your outstanding efforts for the year 2007 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. Your personal involvement and support have contributed to the growth of SUBVETS Groton Base, as well as many improvements in our organization.

Specific Accomplishments/Contributions include:

*Active involvement and leadership as Chairman of Groton Base Veterans Affairs Committee. Through your leadership and efforts you have continuously kept the membership up to date with the most recent information on veterans benefits from the VA. Your continued efforts to have the SUBVETS of WWII recognized for their contributions in winning the war have been phenomenal. This has a positive impact on the awareness of the public on Submarine History and Heritage; your efforts also present a positive image for our organization as well.

*Dedicated support for many additional programs and events, specifically; as a member of the Scholarship Committee you have been a key player in the administration of our Scholarship Fund and the selection of our Scholarship winners; you support our Membership Committee by taking renewals and new membership at our monthly meetings, and volunteering to show our colors at events such as the Retired Affairs Office annual seminar by serving coffee and collecting donations. Your involvement and efforts have all contributed to the success of these programs for SUBVETS Groton Base, and have been instrumental in Groton Base's ability to reach out and help those who benefit from these programs.

*Excellent Role Model to other members with your meeting attendance, club participation, event participation, and support. Your personal involvement and support is an inspiration to all. You can feel proud that your efforts have not only been beneficial to the membership, but in many cases they have been beneficial to others in the community as well.

We would like to thank you and recognize you here tonight 7 January 2008 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,

Michael W. Munhall
Base Commander
USSVI Groton Base "*First and Finest*"

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."

