

The Executive Board of the United States Submarine Veterans Inc. Groton Base takes pleasure in presenting the

**2008  
USSVI GROTON BASE  
CHRIS QUIJADA  
DISTINGUISHED MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

to

**STAN MATHIS**

for services as set forth in the following citation:

For your outstanding leadership, dedication, participation, and numerous contributions as a member of the U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS Inc. organization and in particular USSVI Groton Base from January to December 2008. Your actions and efforts over the previous year have contributed significantly to promoting the USSVI creed, in particular you have positively contributed to helping and enhancing Groton Base and in recruiting new members for both Groton Base and the USSVI Organization.

Your leadership, dedication, accomplishments and CAN-DO attitude are in keeping with the highest standards of our creed. Your personal involvement and support have contributed to the growth of Groton Base, as well as many improvements in our organization.

Specific Accomplishments/Contributions include:

\*Invaluable Support for all functions of Groton Base. Specifically your support of the Groton Base's House Committee, your efforts and hard work has ensured that all of the House Committee events from breakfasts, dinners, to other special events and receptions have all been successful. Your work in the scheduling of Base events with the Base Calendar ensured flawless coordination and proper planning of all events conducted by our various Committees. Your positive outlook and friendly outgoing personality have positively helped the moral of the membership and help in generating additional revenue for Groton Base.

\*Dedicated support as a key player for many additional programs such as the annual Groton Base Anniversary Celebration and our Thanksgiving Dinner/Caring and Sharing functions. Your experience and advice ensures the proper planning and execution of these major Base Events. Your tracking of all finances and donations, as well as your involvement and efforts have contributed to the phenomenal success of these programs for Groton Base. They have been instrumental in Groton Base's ability to reach out and help all those who benefit from these programs, and improvements in these programs.

\*Excellent Role Model to other members with your meeting attendance, club participation, and your personal participation and support in all of the organizations events. Your personal involvement and support of Groton Base is an inspiration to all.

We would like to thank you and recognize you here tonight 5 January 2009 in the presence of your fellow members. USSVI and USSVI Groton Base are both better because of your involvement in our Organization.

Mike Munhall  
Base Commander

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Buck-0 Padgett  
Vice Commander

Paul Orstad  
Secretary

Mark Stern  
Treasurer

John Carcioppolo  
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 and its Constitution."*