

Groton Utilities and TVC Receive 2010 Golden Pineapple Award

The Connecticut Conference on Tourism has awarded Groton Utilities and its Cable Division, Thames Valley Communications (TVC), a 2010 Golden Pineapple Award in the category of Associate Member of the Year. The award presentation took place at the evening awards portion of the conference at the MGM Grand at Foxwoods on May 6.

The Associate Member of the Year award is presented each year to a “non-tourism based organization recognized for participation, community image and/or creative problem-solving while supporting the tourism industry.”

Presenting the award was Duncan C. Stoddard, President and CEO of Chelsea Groton Bank, the sponsors of the award. Herb Cummings, Deputy Director for Water and Sewer, accepted the award on behalf of Groton Utilities and TVC.

Groton Utilities and TVC have been proud supporters of many local tourist drawing events, including the Groton Fall Festival, which brings thousands of attendees to Greater Groton each year; Art on Groton Bank, an art festival in the historic Groton Bank area, which includes the Groton Monument and Fort Griswold State Park; the Mystic Outdoor Art Festival, one of New England’s premier tourism events; and Groton’s Holiday Lights Parade in early December.

Through their membership and participation in the Groton Business Association (GBA) of the Greater Mystic Chamber of Commerce, Groton Utilities has worked hard to introduce the visiting tourists who came to this area on cruise ships to the historical treasures of the City of Groton and the highly respected World War II National Submarine Memorial – East at the entrance to the City of Groton.

Groton Utilities and Thames Valley Communications are proud of the men and women in its organizations who have so diligently given back to the community and helped support the tourism business in Southeastern Connecticut.