

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Environmental Compliance Coordinator, Steven Patchkofsky is nominated for the Hiram M. Chittenden Award for Interpretive Excellence because of his outstanding contributions in the field of interpretation and environmental education. Steve is recognized for the selfless service he provided in 2009, which extends well beyond the Naugatuck River Basin. In 2009, one of the largest areas where Steve demonstrated his creativity and motivation was in Water Safety by remodeling an enclosed equipment trailer and transforming it into an interpretive tool on wheels for the entire New England District to use. He has attended various events on both a national and local scale, both large and small. Steve's talent, extensive knowledge, selfless service and continued motivation have made him a highly respected and admired individual, and team player throughout the New England District, North Atlantic Division and Nation.