



**Veteran of the Month
June 2010**

Congratulations to Virgil Stockstad

In partnership with the Veterans Coordination Commission, we are pleased to present the June 2010 Veteran of the Month Recognition to Virgil Stockstad.

After graduating from high school, Mr. Stockstad joined the United States Navy in February 1967 and retired after 26 years of service. When he joined the Navy he was assigned to Naval Aviation, which had a variety of aircraft and helicopters. He held almost every enlisted aviation maintenance billet possible, including aircraft mechanic; aircraft inspector; and supervisor at the workforce, division and department levels, and maintenance/production control.

His career in the United States Navy included Vietnam in 1968 and Desert Storm in 1991. He has been literally around the world, from Vietnam to Iran, the United Arab Emirates, Kenya, Singapore, Hong Kong, Korea, Japan, the Philippines, Thailand, Diego Garcia, Guam and Pakistan.

Mr. Stockstad is a 7-year member of the Vietnam Veterans of America and has served as Secretary as well as Vice President of that organization. He is also a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, where he has been the Quartermaster for one year, Assistant Quartermaster for eleven years, a member of the House Committee for two and one half years, and a trustee for one year. He volunteers for both of these organizations as the need arises. He also volunteers at Valley View Elementary School.

He is to be commended for his service to his country and the Rapid City community.