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Labor Dept. veteran representative receives state award

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Department of Labor (SDDOL) announced Kendall Schmidt of Huron has been named the state’s Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Veterans’ Representative of the Year for 2008. The state award, given annually for outstanding service to veterans, was presented on May 2 during the DAV state convention in Aberdeen by South Dakota DAV Employment Chairman Todd Kolden and South Dakota DAV Commander Dick Amos.

Schmidt has been a Veterans’ Representative at SDDOL’s South Dakota Career Center in Huron since 2001. He assesses, counsels and refers veterans to ensure priority and quality of service is provided to assist in gaining meaningful employment. Kendall’s area of responsibility covers the counties of Beadle, Hand, Jerauld and Sanborn, and provides employment services for over 100 veterans a year.

“Kendall goes out of his way to assist his veteran clients in the local area and traveling in his service area to make contact with them. He is a very valuable asset to the Huron Career Center, the local community and surrounding area,” said Secretary of Labor Pam Roberts.

SDDOL has 14 South Dakota Career Centers and 26 satellite and itinerant offices located throughout the state. All of these offices offer services to veterans and eligible spouses, and can assist employers who wish to hire a veteran. For more information, visit www.sdjobs.org.

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