

Staff and Volunteers
Combat Wounded Veteran Challenge
2018 SCUBA Challenge

Dear Staff and Volunteers,

Thank you so much for the opportunity to attend the SCUBA Challenge. It was truly an exceptional and meaningful event. I must tell you all that we have attended several events with similar goals and attendance. I have experienced none as well organized and executed as the SCUBA Challenge. From the initial operations order to the last good byes the entire experience was absolutely outstanding. We encourage the sharing of the model. It would benefit other organizations.

We expected of the challenge, meeting other injured warriors and of course SCUBA diving. What we experienced was much more. We experienced families. We experienced true camaraderie. We experienced the making of friends. Yes, we also experienced great SCUBA.

The opportunity to work with young people was spectacular. What a good choice for events. Interacting with young people and a chance to help re-grow the reef were without question among the highlights of the challenge. It was truly a moving and meaningful experience. They were great activities that allowed veterans to give something back.

Allowing families to the event was truly unique and successful. One could instantly see what it meant to those families. I am happy that we were able to share in that family experience. It was great to be able to spend time with them.

To sum up, Rachelle and I were honored to be part of such a challenge. We were honored to meet the staff and volunteers. We were especially honored to meet the other attendees and their families. Thank you for allowing us to experience the SCUBA Challenge.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'William and Rachelle Pontes', written in a cursive style.

William and Rachelle Pontes