

*You will find that much of the Vision and Strategic Imperatives expressed by COMO Seibert are similar to those I profess. This is due in large part because they were developed jointly so as to provide the continuity and stability in policy and direction across our two terms of office. The Vision, Mission and Strategic Imperatives belong to the US Coast Guard Auxiliary not the National Commodore, I will continue to build on the foundation built by my predecessors and push for further refinement of our programs and make the necessary course changes to maintain our mission balance, program integrity and member services.*

*Steven M Budar, NACO*

## National Commodore's Vision Statement

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will continue to meet America's changing maritime safety and security challenges, through a balanced allocation of resources towards our recreational boating safety and maritime domain awareness missions.

## The Mission of the US Coast Guard Auxiliary

The mission of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary is to contribute to the safety and security of our citizens, ports, waterways and coastal regions, as directed by the United States Coast Guard. We will balance our missions in Recreational Boating Safety, Coast Guard Support with Maritime Homeland Security and other challenges that emerge as a result of our growing understanding of changes required in the post-9/11 era.

## Strategic Imperatives

- ☞ Provide continued focus on those unique roles and missions for which the Congress, the Department of Homeland Security and the Coast Guard grant us the authority to fulfill.
- ☞ Serve the country and its citizens, by participating in Auxiliary programs and activities
- ☞ Augment the Coast Guard and the Department of Homeland Security as requested.
- ☞ Work with the states, partner agencies and boating organizations, as well as with the public.
- ☞ Provide a capable, reliable and sustainable workforce to fulfill any mission we agree to undertake.
- ☞ Encourage a greater cooperation between the different levels of the organization leadership to support the recruitment and retention of our volunteers.
- ☞ Value the contribution of all members, regardless of their level or type of participation.
- ☞ Seek members who have the interests, skills, capabilities and dedication to serve in any role, and in any manner, that contributes to our goals and is consistent with our Auxiliary traditions and our values of Honor, Respect and Devotion to Duty.
- Auxiliary leadership will:
  - Articulate our vision to the membership
  - Provide strategic and tactical leadership,
  - Obtain resources critical to our continued success,
  - Recognize and capitalize on opportunities to execute national and local initiatives
  - Be at the forefront of our efforts to expand member training and member recruitment
  - Foster programs in support of internet education and commerce
  - Take responsibility for creditable results
- ☞ Allocate resources across our National and District structure to support the balanced mission requirements in support of the Coast Guard and the Department of Homeland Security.
- ☞ Provide continuous updates to the Auxiliary business plan that address the financial and other resource realities of our traditional and emerging roles.