

AND NOW COMMENTS FROM NEWLY ELECTED NSBC CHAIR ED CARTER



Let me begin by saying “thanks for your confidence and support” in allowing me to serve as Chair of a most remarkable organization. Those who have previously served as Chair have set a standard of growth and service which I shall strive to continue. I also want to put our “retiring Chair”, Bill Grizwold, on notice that, even though well deserved, there will be no resting on laurels. Bill was an outstanding leader and I plan to continue to utilize his skills and guidance as the Council continues to excel.

Planning for the 2005 Safe Boating Campaign is well underway and we are doing more than the usual “tweak-ing”. We take your evaluations and suggestions seriously and alter our course accordingly. This year you will notice

some changes in the support materials which should make the campaign more cost efficient as well as effective. The Campaign is the most visible program the Council is involved with and the staff and Board of the Council are quite serious about maintaining a synergistic effort from all our partners toward our common goal of safer boating.

Another hallmark program, The International Boating and Water Safety Summit, is also just around the corner. The venue is spectacular and combined with an aggressive and focused agenda, it promises to be the best ever. Rest assured that a smiggon (that’s a technical word meaning yee-haw) of fun will also be available for your learning pleasure.

Thanks to the leadership of Jim Richardson, our “Small Grants Program” has become a resounding success. Just as we are in the process of making the final decisions for this year, we are looking at a whole new and complimentary grant program that will undoubtedly up the ante and competition for grassroots programs that offer imaginative ways to preach the gospel of responsible boating. Stand by for more on this continuing initiative.

The National Safe Boating Council through many years of effort, pride and accomplishments has made remarkable strides and has evolved into an internationally respected organization. With a dedicated and professional staff, a Board that will settle for nothing less than excellence, and a growing and enthusiastic membership, I don’t see any way that hallmark will change.

As they used to say on the old radio programs, “Keep them cards and letters coming folks,” we need your guidance and support.

Thanks again for the honor of being your Chair.

Best wishes for safe and happy holidays.

Ed Carter

**THE STAFF AT THE
NATIONAL SAFE
BOATING COUNCIL
WISHES ALL OF YOU
HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

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