## THE SMITH SYSTEM

- AIM HIGH IN YOUR STEERING. When you are driving your vehicle, always keep your eyes aiming high above your steering into the horizon in front of you. Never look downwards at the road.
- 2. <u>GET THE BIG PICTURE</u>. When you have aimed high in your steering, you are now able to get the BIG picture of what is in front and all around your vehicle's path.
- 3. <u>KEEP YOUR EYES MOVING.</u> While you are driving, it is essential to always scan the road in front and around you as you travel. Glance at your mirrors often. Don't get into a "fixed stare"; stay vigilant with your eyes. LOOK for bogeys coming and going!
- 4. <u>LEAVE YOURSELF AN OUT.</u> As you drive and as you are stopping, leave yourself an escape from trouble. Stop a car's length away from another car whenever you are stopped. Always stop 5 feet away at the stop line in case you are ever rear-ended; then you would not end up in the middle of the intersection. Following distance should be more for JOL drivers as well as anytime the weather is poor.
- 5. MAKE SURE THEY SEE YOU. Drive with your lights on ALL the time. Use your directionals whenever it is needed. Honk the horn gently to alert potential dangerous situations. Use your hazard lights if pulled over.