



# NCSP

NEWS

Upper Delaware  
River Chapter

**25 Years!**

## SEPTEMBER 2004

### From the Commodore

This has been a busy 25th year. I have just finished compiling the list of completed patrols. Between the incorporation process, a fantastic party Memorial Day Weekend, and of course 240 patroller days, we have had quite a successful year. I would like to thank you all for the time each of you put in this year. Of course I would be delinquent if I didn't mention that the National Park Service is also, as always, very appreciative of our commitment and time on the river.

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#### Officers Slate 2005

Commodore: **Bill Walters**  
Vice Commodore: **Ken Bailey**  
Secretary: **Ed Jedele**  
Treasurer: **Greg Temple**

As you probably noticed, I am not on the list of officers supplied by the nominating committee. Due to work constraints and distance I've decided to step down as Commodore. This is also a good thing for the NCSP as it will provide new people with the opportunity to advance to officer positions. It has been a successful two years with many people contributing to the organization. I have enjoyed my time as commodore and will continue to provide an advisory roll to the incoming board and of course I will be patrolling next year. I hope you will all welcome and support our incoming Commodore. I will see you at the dinner.

Joel



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### Letter to the Park Service Regarding the NCSP

Thanks to the volunteers who helped my wife and I when our canoe flipped at the rapids a mile or so below the bridge (but above the Mongaup rapids) on Memorial Day, May 31, 2004. Their expertise was much appreciated as they got us and our gear to shore so we could be picked up. We, and many others I am sure, appreciate their unselfish efforts and time taken to help those who make such mistakes while canoeing. God's blessing on you! Wendy & Bill Nickoly !

## Fall Dinner!

## Notes From Commodore Candidate Bill Walters

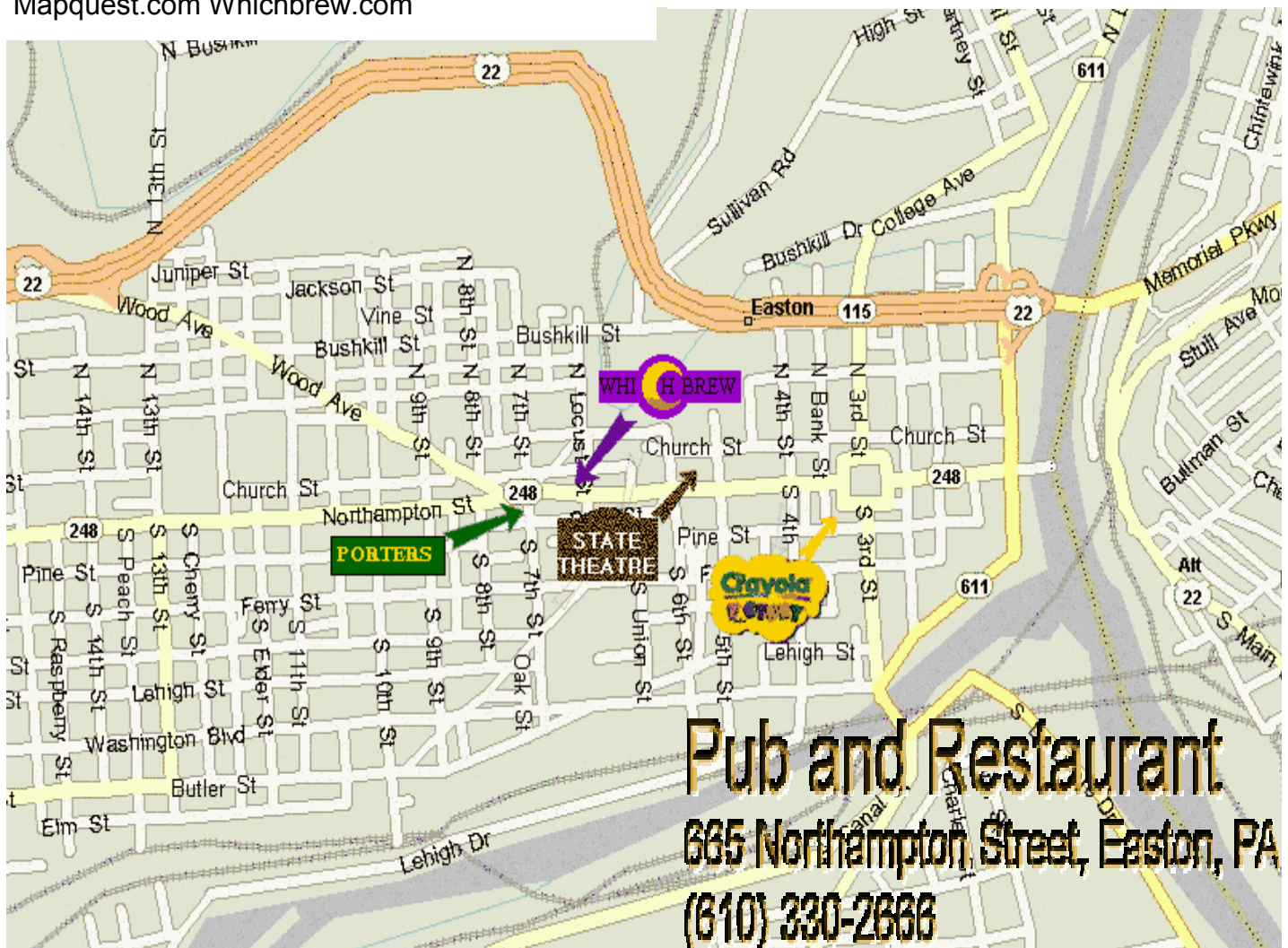
Editors note:

Due to schedule conflicts, and a Holiday Weekend at the original time the dinner was planned, it was a mad scramble to get the preparations made. Thanks to Hal for coming through and being able to set this up on such short notice. I also apologize to the membership for the lateness of the newsletter, but hopefully most of you have received this information via email.

Once again the dinner will be held at Which Brew in Easton Pa. on 10/2. The last time the food was great and they have many microbrews to try for those who are so inclined. The dinner is scheduled to start at 1:30 PM. Hope as many members as can will make it and have a good time. Cost is \$20 per person. Problems? Mapquest.com Whichbrew.com

Now that the NCSP is incorporated many doors have been opened to us. I plan to seek grants and funding to aid in the continued growth of our organization. We also have a new website under development which holds great potential for easier distribution of information, communications, and recruitment of new members. I will continue with the development and growth of that website. It may also serve the organization to become an ACA affiliate. Again, grants, funding, and a connection with a national website could serve to benefit our organization. I am always open to help and suggestions from membership on direction, goals or problems we have.

We are moving in a positive direction, let's keep the momentum going. **Bill**



# National Canoe Safety Patrol Membership Application 2003

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### What is the National Canoe Safety Patrol?

The NCSP was founded more than 20 yrs. ago for the purpose of encouraging and promoting boating safety, including but not limited to the following:

To assist river management agencies, race organizers and other safety and rescue organizations by offering river rescue training orientation to their personnel.

To provide a shore and boat based safety presence in cooperation with river management agencies, race organizers and other safety and rescue organizations.

To provide rescue and recovery assistance upon request of, and in cooperation with, river management agencies and other safety and rescue organizations.

### Where does this take place?

Mostly on the Upper Delaware River between Narrowsburg and Port Jervis though the NCSP is chartered to serve wherever invited by race or event organizers or river management agencies.

### How do I get this "training"?

Formal training is the last weekend of the month every April, on the Upper Delaware, with on the job training ongoing during the paddling season.

### How much does it cost?

Training is free to active members with a nominal dues of \$15 per year single membership, \$30 family.

### What is my obligation after joining?

A minimum of 4 days of service, on weekends between May 1st and July 4th.

### Do I need a certain kind of boat?

Most members paddle whitewater canoes or kayaks, though a wide range of crafts are used and all are welcome.

### Can I join at any time during the year?

Yes, but it is essential to attend the formal training weekend at the earliest opportunity.

### What do I learn at the formal training weekend?

Many and varied topics including in-water mobility, boat and shore rescue, throw bag techniques, boat unpinning, foot entrapment rescues and more.

### Do I have to be an "expert" paddler to join?

While some paddling experience is desired, some members are instructors and will be happy to assist in improving paddling skills.

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Training weekend in-water foot entrapment drill