



# GREENWAYS

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## Happy New Year from the Trustees and Staff of D&R Greenway

**2003** was another “1000+ acre year” of accomplishment for all of us at Delaware & Raritan Greenway. First and foremost, we have closed 14 preservation transactions. This represents a total of 1,372 acres valued at more than \$33,482,510—a record to be proud of. And none of it would have been possible without the generous support of all of you—our partners in preservation.

All of these acres will be kept in their natural state to protect water quality and provide wildlife habitat, or will continue as family farms. Public access trails will connect many of these properties to neighboring preserved open spaces.

2003 also saw the completion of the construction plans for *The Greenway Center*—the future home of D&R Greenway and a focal point for land preservation in our region.

The Greenway Center will offer programs and resources to engage and strengthen the capacity of municipalities, grassroots organizations and other groups to protect and effectively manage land. D&R Greenway will provide hands-on education, technical assistance and direct action to help these partners achieve their goals. Through *The Greenway Center* we hope to pass on our proven models, tools and techniques that result in land preservation success. *The Greenway Center* will be housed in a circa 1900 barn at Greenway Meadows Park in Princeton, land preserved by D&R Greenway in partnership with Princeton Township in 2001 and dedicated for both passive and active recreation (see the article *Parks for Princeton* in this issue). Renovations of this historic structure began on October 6th. If all goes according to

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### Land Preservation Update

As of December 31, 2003, D&R Greenway has preserved over 6,630 acres of land valued at more than \$124.3 million.

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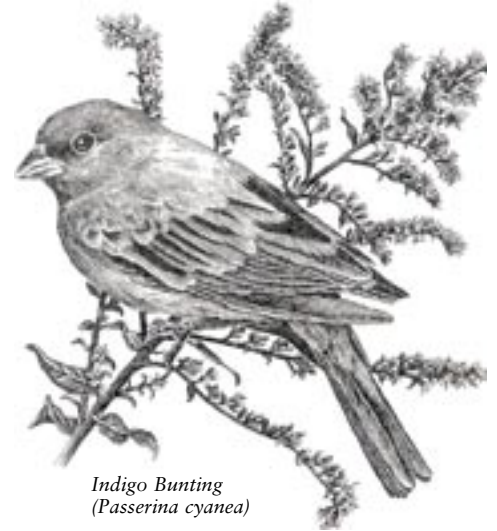
The Greenway Center, the future home of D&R Greenway and a focal point for land preservation activity in our region.

## A Model of Municipal Preservation Leadership—West Amwell Township

West Amwell Township is a beautiful and historic rural community, nestled above the Delaware River next to Hopewell Township. Prior to 1999, the town had plenty of open space in private ownership, but virtually no preserved land. D&R Greenway changed all that by preserving the first property in the township, the 41-acre Wagner farm, starting an open space revolution. Working with D&R Greenway, West Amwell officials learned how to leverage state and county funds and how to structure transactions to provide beneficial outcomes for all

partners. With protection of the Mazur, Rattigan and Hunter farms this fall, the township has placed over 3,500 acres in preservation.

The Township accomplished this remarkable feat with the help of many partners, including the New Jersey DEP Green Acres Program, Hunterdon County, the Hunterdon Land Trust Alliance and D&R Greenway. West Amwell is a perfect model for the change in policy and action that D&R Greenway hopes to inspire in all of our region's municipalities through leadership and education. ♣



Indigo Bunting  
(*Passerina cyanea*)

## Celebrating the Preservation of Historic Mazur Property

On a glorious October afternoon, D&R Greenway staff gathered with partners from West Amwell Township, Hunterdon County, Mercer County, the New Jersey DEP Green Acres Program and landowner Peter Mazur to celebrate the preservation of the 197-acre Mazur/Salkin property, known as Fiddler's Creek Farm. The property is situated on both sides of Hunter Road in the southwest corner of West Amwell Township.



Partners celebrating the preservation of Fiddler's Creek Farm are from left to right: Mark Solomon (Pepper Hamilton L.L.P.), Dennis Davidson, Jamie Kamph (West Amwell), Pete Walson (Howell Living History Farm), Donna Lewis (Mercer County), Bill Rawlyk, landowner Peter Mazur, Shawn Ellsworth, Linda Mead, Jeannette Klink (Pepper Hamilton, L.L.P.), Peter Buchsbaum (mayor of West Amwell), Laurie Emde, Nancy Palladino (West Amwell) and Hal Shute (West Amwell).



*A sweeping and spectacular view of the Mazur property—protected forever from development.*

This property is significant as its location provides the crucial last link completing the connection between the Delaware River Greenway and the Sourland Mountain Greenway. Its preservation will establish a continuous trail along the branch of Moore's Creek between the Sourland Ridge and the preserved United Water Company lands, the Howell Living History Farm and Baldpate Mountain. The land also connects to the Ashton preserve in West Amwell Township and the Wagner and Drobnis properties (also preserved by D&R Greenway).

The preservation of this property was also noteworthy as Peter Mazur's action inspired several neighbors to preserve their own properties, including the adjacent Rattigan Farm, which was facilitated by D&R Greenway in partnership with West Amwell Township, and the Lowell Hunter farm. This group of preserved properties results in a completely protected viewscape along both sides of Hunter Road with magnificent views of Bowmans Hill in Pennsylvania and the Sourland Mountains across central New Jersey.

The celebration was marked with a champagne toast and delicious smoked turkey breast with all the trimmings, courtesy of Fiddler's Creek Farm. ♣

# Putting the *Green* in *Greenways*

It's part of our name—Delaware & Raritan Greenway. It's what we work so tirelessly to preserve. But have you ever wondered what a *Greenway* is, exactly—and why they are so important to achieve?

*Greenways* are unbroken chains of preserved open space surrounding stream corridors, headwaters, water recharge areas and significant ecosystems. Building and protecting *Greenways* are important for several reasons. Contiguous properties provide better buffers for streams and other waterways and are able to recharge more water into our aquifers than randomly spread-out acres. Wildlife, particularly neo-tropical migrating birds, require a considerable number of acres of grassland or woodland in order to reproduce and thrive in significant numbers. And creating bands or swathes of protected open space is an effective Smart Growth tool, creating natural green barriers against unchecked sprawl.

The accompanying map indicates the ten *Greenways* that D&R Greenway is actively working to create.

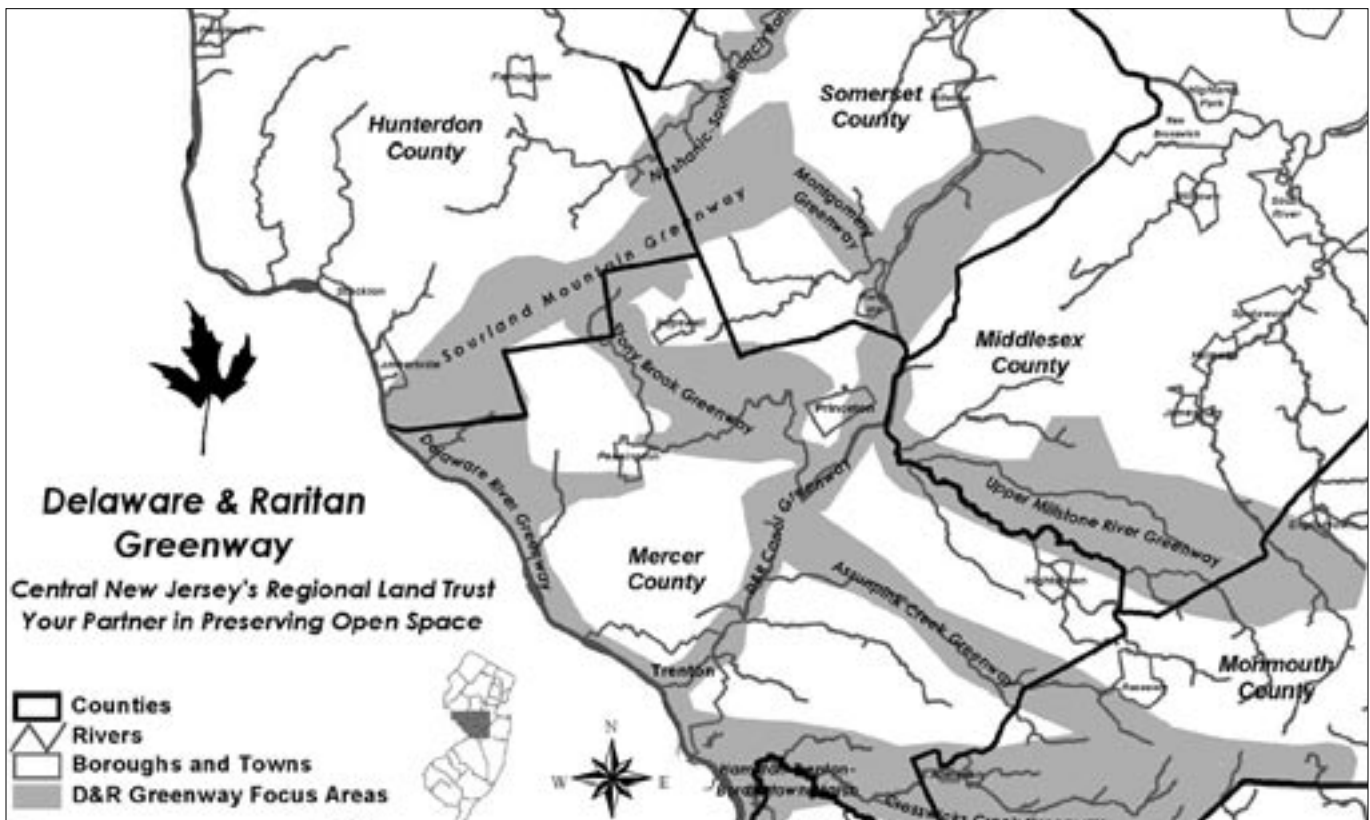
Each *Greenway* is not completely connected—yet. But a property's proximity to a particular *Greenway* helps us prioritize the land that we want to preserve today and the open space we are targeting for preservation in the future. The *Greenways* are the *Neshanic-South Branch Raritan Greenway*, the *Sourland Mountain Greenway*, the *Stony Brook Greenway*, the *Delaware River Greenway*, the *D&R Canal Greenway*, the *Upper Millstone River Greenway*, the *Assunpink Creek Greenway*, the *Crosswicks Creek Greenway* and the *Hamilton-Trenton-Bordentown Marsh*.

While all the *Greenways* are significant, the *Sourland Mountain Greenway* is an area of particular emphasis for us in 2004. Approximately 20 miles long, the *Sourland Mountain Greenway* protects the headwaters of the Stony Brook, Beden's Brook, Rock Brook, Back Brook, the Alexauken Creek, Swan Creek, Moore's Creek and Neshanic River. Much of the volume of these waterways flows into the D&R Canal, which provides the water supply for about one million

people. The quality and quantity of our region's drinking water absolutely depends on the protection of this environment, which supports these important waterways. The State of New Jersey DEP Green Acres Program has recognized the importance of the *Sourlands Greenway* by placing priorities on the preservation of its land—thanks in part to the vision and perseverance of D&R Greenway staff members Dennis Davidson and Bill Rawlyk.

The 1,250 *Hamilton-Trenton-Bordentown Marsh* is another key *Greenway*. It is the largest freshwater tidal marsh on the Delaware River, home to 850 species of plants, 28 species of butterflies, 60 species of fish, 19 species of amphibians and reptiles, 237 species of resident or migratory birds and 17 species of mammals. Its valuable wetlands are an important supply of water for the surrounding urban and suburban communities.

As we move into 2004 D&R Greenway will continue to expand and connect these *Greenways*, optimizing our preservation efforts and creating a better, healthier environment for all of us in central New Jersey. ♣



# D&R Greenway preserves land for Princeton parks

In 2001 D&R Greenway, with support from Princeton Township, Princeton Borough, the NJ Green Acres Program, Mercer County and many individual contributors, preserved over 220 acres of land as public parkland – *Greenway Meadows Park* (the former Robert Wood Johnson estate) on Rosedale Road and *Coventry Farm* on The Great Road.

Integrally located within the Princeton community, both parks were designed to include active and passive recreation areas to meet the interests and recreational needs of the local community. Permanent conservation restrictions defined the activity areas and limited both parks to day use only.

Greenway Meadows Park is now near completion, while the creation of Coventry Farm Park has just begun. We wanted to take a moment to update you, our partners in preservation, on the progress of these two Princeton Township projects.

## Greenway Meadows Park

This beautiful park lies opposite Johnson Park School on Rosedale Road. It consists of a total of 60 acres of rolling meadows, with a magnificent high point from which you can gain the best view of the Sourlands from all of Princeton. Of these, 12 acres were converted by Princeton



*Allée of old growth sycamore trees in Greenway Meadows Park invite a winter's walk.*

Township into three playing fields (two soccer and one softball). The playing fields are now complete, along with a landscaped parking area, restrooms and a tot lot. Picnic benches will soon be in place. The recreation fields must remain fallow for 12–15 months to allow the sod to grow strong enough to withstand play activity.

The majority of Greenway Meadows Park (80%) is dedicated to passive uses including walking trails,

a meadow, and informal picnicking. As a former estate, the property is home to large, specimen trees including a sweep of sycamores that creates a shady allée separating the passive and active parkland. The gently sloping hill is perfect for a winter walk—and we have it on good authority from D&R Greenway trustee Cate Litvack that it is a perfect venue for cross country skiing.

Park visitors will be introduced to D&R Greenway through signage that will tell the story of preservation. Visitors will also have the opportunity to visit us at our new home, a circa 1900 barn that is surrounded by the new park. When the land was acquired in 2001, D&R Greenway retained the core of the property near Rosedale Road that includes two stylized barns that speak of a gentler era when Princeton was still a farming community. Through adaptive reuse, D&R Greenway is renovating the larger structure into *The Greenway Center* – designed as a place where individuals, grass roots organizations, local municipalities and landowners can come together to find the resources they need to effectively preserve and manage open space. This exciting endeavor will multiply the impact that we can have as a

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*The high meadow in Greenway Meadows Park is the perfect spot for a picnic and is the site where hot air balloons lift-off during the Great Greenway Balloon Festival.*

single organization by providing our preservation partners with education through models and tools as well as a space to network with others involved in similar land preservation efforts. You will hear more about this effort this spring with the announcement of significant named gifts and a request for your help to finish off *The Greenway Center* capital campaign.

Those of you who attended D&R Greenway's annual *Great Greenway Balloon Festival* have already gotten a sneak peak of the new park and *The Greenway Center*. All of our supporters will be invited to join us for a grand opening and preview this spring—think May Day for Preservation—when you will be able to enjoy the park first-hand and see the plans for *The Greenway Center*.

Princeton Township requests that visitors wishing to enjoy walking and hiking at Greenway Meadows Park stay away from the active recreation fields to allow the newly installed turf to become fully established. Motorized vehicles are not permitted in the park, except in designated parking areas. We encourage you to take a quiet winter walk as you begin the New Year, and enjoy the peaceful beauty of the land you have helped to protect.

## Coventry Farm Park

A second significant preservation project that came quick on the heels of Greenway Meadows, the preservation of Coventry Farm was completed under the leadership of D&R Greenway in 2001. A total of 160 acres, Coventry Farm was the largest remaining tract of open space in Princeton with a history dating back to King George III.

The preservation was structured to place nearly 100 acres under a deed of conservation easement, keeping the historic farmland in a perpetual state of farm fields and woodlands. Owned by Kathy and John Winant, this section of the original property will remain the family's farm, as it has been since the 19th century. Twenty-eight woodland acres were deeded to Princeton Township to expand Mountain Lakes Preserve. Eleven acres, including an existing house, were sold to Princeton Day School to help fund the preservation effort. This land will be kept as open space and used for educational programs.

The remaining 22 acres of open fields on the west side of The Great Road were conveyed to Princeton Township to become a public park, providing critically needed athletic fields. These fields will cover less than 14% of the original property.

Earthmovers are in place right now grading the fields in preparation for their sodding and landscaping in 2004. When the park is complete, it will contain two soccer fields and two softball fields, a tot lot, walking trails and related parking and restrooms. An extensive network of existing and new walking and biking trails will connect the park with Mountain Lakes Preserve and Community Park to the east, Woodfield Reservation to the north and Rosedale Road Woods and Greenway Meadows Park to the south. Princeton Township will provide substantial landscaping for the new park with the planting of 326 trees and 130 shrubs.

D&R Greenway is proud to have led the preservation of these two signature Princeton Township parks. Were it not for D&R Greenway's leadership and your support, we might easily have been watching the construction of masses of new houses. Instead, these lands will ultimately be treasured as oases of green in a developed landscape.

We thank you for your continued support as we expand our protected open spaces, farmlands, watershed lands and large-scale ecological landscapes throughout our region of central New Jersey. ♣



*Open farm fields at Coventry Farm along The Great Road.*

# Good Time Galas for the Greenway Celebrates People and the Land

The fall 2003 *Good Time Galas for the Greenway* provided many opportunities for our partners to enjoy the open space they helped to protect while raising funds to help us protect even more! We'd like to thank *Galas for the Greenway* Co-Chairs Sophie Glovier and Ellen Hoenig Carlson for their creativity and effort that made all the 2003 *Galas* such successful and wonderful events.



*Karen Wilkinson and Ofelia Silva, co-chairs of the Great Greenway Balloon Festival Family Fun Fest.*

In September, Erin Enright and trustee Stuart Essig and *Galas* committee member Marlene and Peter Lucchesi hosted *Paths of Princeton*, a walk across preserved lands through the heart of Princeton Township. Trustee Sophie and Curtis Glovier hosted the *Portrait in the Garden* gala and participants' holiday cards will be showcasing their family portraits that were taken by noted photographer Pryde Brown (who preserved her family farm with D&R Greenway in 2002). For the fourth year in a row, Hannah Suthers led a small group into the Sommer Preserve on the Sourland Mountain to enjoy *Bird Banding and Bagels*.



*On A Loop Through Lawrenceville, host David Prescott examines a plant specimen as guests Mark Goldfus, Nancy Schluter and Mary Penney look on.*

October found D&R Greenway hosting the *Great Greenway Balloon Festival* at Greenway Meadows Park in Princeton. Although high winds in the upper atmosphere compelled our intrepid group of flyers to postpone their trips to other days, the concurrent *Family Fun Festival* was a great success. Thanks to event co-chairs Olivia Silva and Karen Wilkinson for getting the *Family*

*Fun Festival* off the ground and to Kathy and John Winant for hosting the flyers dinner at Coventry Farm. *The Loop through Lawrenceville*, hosted by D&R Greenway Strategy Committee member David and Peggy Prescott and landowners Diane and Leon Rosenberg was postponed from a rainy day in September to a beautiful October afternoon. Trustee Dr. Mary Leck



*Young guests at D&R Greenway's Family Fun Festival enjoy the music of folksinger Amy Otey (not pictured).*

and Dr. Charlie Leck led a group on an exploration of the botany and biology of the 186-acre Carson Road Woods, preserved through the efforts of D&R Greenway, Lawrence Township, Bristol-Myers Squibb and many, many private partners in 2001.

For those of you who have not signed up already, we invite you to join us for two Spring Season Galas.

In March, we invite you to attend the unique two-part *Gala: Vernal Pools and Salamanders*. Vernal pools are springtime phenomenon that provide habitat to many species of amphibians, insects, reptiles, plants and other wildlife. D&R Greenway's Bill Rawlyk will introduce you to this magical world at a workshop at D&R Greenway's headquarters in Rocky Hill on Saturday, March 13, 2004 at 10 a.m. Shortly after, when conditions are right, a phone call will summon you to Sommer Park preserve in the Sourland Mountain for an early evening trek to visit vernal pools and see spotted salamanders and wood frogs in their annual breeding rituals. The cost for both workshop and field trip is \$60 for adults, \$30 for children or \$120 for a family.

In May we will hold a *Rhododendron Garden Tour*. Preserved by D&R Greenway in 2002, the 17-acre Indian Run Nursery in Washington Township, NJ has one of the oldest and finest collections of rhododendrons in the northeast. During this peak season tour you will be able to see rare specimens in full, glorious bloom. You will also have the opportunity to purchase nursery plants cloned from the Indian Run plants. Representatives from the American Rhododendron Society will provide expert advice on selection and cultivation. This is a stunning floral display, not to be missed! The tour will be held on Saturday, May 15, 2004 at 10:00 am. The cost is \$35 per person. Groups of 10 or more should call D&R Greenway for special rates.

For information on attending either of these Spring Galas, please call Erika Molayi at D&R Greenway, 609-924-4646. And please mark your calendar for June 6, 2004, for the annual *Greenway Gala*, celebrating 15 years of D&R Greenway's land preservation successes. The next crop of *Good Time Galas for the Greenway* will go on sale at the event; sign up early to attend your favorites! ♣

## In Memoriam

### *Dorothy Wells Bissell*

Friend of art, artists and the land, Dorothy Wells Bissell passed away on October 31, 2003 in San Rafael California. Dottie was born in Birmingham, Alabama and was a long time Princeton resident.

Dottie was a wonderful artist and teacher. She began private art lessons at age 6, eventually graduating from Finch College in New York City. She earned a scholarship to Parsons School of Design, and later became a member of the faculty. She was a charter member of the Princeton Arts Alliance and a member of the Garden State Watercolor Society, as well as many other organizations. Her paintings have been shown by the American Watercolor Society and the Garden State and New Jersey Watercolor Societies and her works hang in many permanent collections.

Despite her many well-deserved accolades and recognition, what we at D&R Greenway will remember

most about Dottie is her love of the land and her desire to turn this love into solid and substantial action to help preserve it. In this spirit, Dottie founded *The Greenway Artists*, in 2000. For the past four years, this dynamic and generous coalition of noted area artists has created art inspired by the land for exhibition and sale at *The Greenway Gala*, D&R Greenway's annual fundraising event in June. Proceeds from the sale directly benefit D&R Greenway's land preservation mission. Please join us on June 6 at *The Greenway Gala*, to view the work created by *The 2004 Greenway Artists* and to celebrate Dottie's personal commitment to land preservation.

The family has generously requested that contributions in memory of Dorothy Wells Bissell be sent to Delaware & Raritan Greenway, 1327 Canal Road, Princeton, NJ 08540. ♣



*Greenway Gala Artists from left to right: Clem Fiori, Lucy Graves McVicker, Sylvia Cummings Kokatnur and Dorothy Wells Bissell.*

# News from Our Partner Organizations

## Friends for the Hamilton-Bordentown-Trenton Marsh

*Friends for the Hamilton-Trenton-Bordentown Marsh* was established under the aegis of D&R Greenway in 2002 as an outgrowth of the Hamilton-Trenton-Bordentown Marsh Management plan developed by D&R Greenway and other partners in 1999. While D&R Greenway currently provides administrative and technical resources to the organization, all contributions to *Friends for the HTB Marsh* go directly to support the organization's initiatives to protect and promote the Marsh.

The *Friends for the HTB Marsh* has had quite a lively fall. In September, they dedicated three interpretive signs explaining aspects of the Marsh's human history and natural history. Two of the signs have been installed and are located at Northern Community Park on Groveville Road in Bordentown Township and at Hilltop Park in the City of Bordentown. The third sign will be installed in an area to be determined at the Bordentown Bluffs, a part of the D&R Canal State Park.

A symposium entitled *Nature, Native and Nobles*, sponsored in October by the *Friends for the HTB Marsh*, in partnership with D&R Greenway, was a great success. 140 neighbors, academics, environmentalists, local officials and *Friends* attended this day-long event. Key speakers included Patricia Tyson Stroud, independent scholar and noted author, and Dr. Michael R. Stewart, associate professor, Anthropology Department, Temple University.

In the spring of 2004, the *Friends for the HTB Marsh* will be sponsoring a juried photography show, celebrating the beauty, mystery and unique features of this regional treasure. Youth and adult photographs will be considered separately, with various prizes awarded.

All photographs must be taken at the Marsh. The area included extends from the surrounding bluffs to the Delaware River, Crosswicks Creek and its floodplain to Rt. 130, and the Bordentown Bluffs.

Entries will be received at the Hamilton Library on Thursday, March 18, 6–8:30 p.m., and Saturday, March 20, 9 a.m.–12 noon. Entry rules and information about the HTB Marsh, including maps, scheduled field trips, guides, etc., will be posted on the website [www.marsh-friends.org](http://www.marsh-friends.org). The contact is Laurie at: [MarshPhotos@earthlink.net](mailto:MarshPhotos@earthlink.net) (preferred) or 609-587-4985.

For more information about *Friends for the HTB Marsh* please contact Emily Goldman at D&R Greenway, 609-924-4646.

## The Central New Jersey Trails Association

The Central New Jersey Trails Association is an all-volunteer group dedicated to providing the public with convenient, accurate information about walking and hiking trails in our region and to promoting their use to encourage

healthy, active lifestyles. Many CNJTA members have expertise in trail design, mapping, biological sciences or local government. As a founding partner and hosting organization of the CNJTA, D&R Greenway provides technical, financial and administrative support as well as non-profit status for fundraising and operations.

The Central New Jersey Trails Association recently launched its website [www.njtrails.org](http://www.njtrails.org). This one-of-a-kind resource provides information on trails located throughout central New Jersey and, in the future, will expand to other areas of the state. Information includes a brief history of the trail, descriptions of its topography, flora and fauna, maps and directions. We invite you to visit [www.njtrails.org](http://www.njtrails.org) and plan a winter walk on one of the many beautiful trails of central New Jersey.

For more information about the CNJTA, please contact Mary Penney at D&R Greenway, 609-924-4646. ♣

## Happy New Year from D&R Greenway

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plan, we will complete our capital campaign and move into *The Greenway Center* early in 2005.

We also welcomed two new members of the Board of Trustees in 2003, with the election of Stuart Essig and John Pallat in January. Also that month, Dennis Davidson joined our staff as Director of Land Preservation and Stewardship. In October, Shawn Ellsworth was named Director of Major Gifts and Erika Molayi came on board as Communications and Development Assistant. Each individual is a great addition to our group and we are very happy to have the benefit of their talent, professional expertise and enthusiasm.

All of us at D&R Greenway are looking forward to an exciting and productive 2004. This year we will commemorate the 15th anniversary of our organization—so expect some

special celebrations and surprise announcements! Mark your calendar for June 6, 2004 and join us at our annual *Greenway Gala*, which will be held once again at the Chauncey Conference Center in Princeton. 2004 will also mark the 5th year of *The Good Time Galas for the Greenway*, our series of fundraisers that bring together people and the land they help to protect. We hope to see you at one (or more) of these events during the year.

On behalf of the trustees and staff of Delaware & Raritan Greenway, we wish you and your family the joy of nature in the New Year. We hope you find a quiet time during the bustle of the holiday season to experience the special beauty and peace of the open space you have helped preserve this year. Thank you for your partnership and support.

Best wishes,

Chuck Hartman  
*Chair, Board of Trustees*

Linda Mead  
*Executive Director*



# THANK YOU to all our Partners in Preservation

D&R Greenway relies on your contributions to enable our success in permanently preserving watershed lands and large-scale landscapes in our region, thereby preventing the loss of open space to development. Public acknowledgement of the extraordinary generosity we enjoy from all of you is very important to us. As indicated, the following list comprises donors who have given between July 1 and November 30, 2003. Our next edition of *Greenways* will acknowledge those who have given to our annual Fall Appeal in December 2003, as well as recap of all 2003 supporters.



Field sparrow  
(*Spizella pusilla*)

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## Preserving Open Space Saves More Than Just the Land

Since 1989, with the help and support of our partners, D&R Greenway has preserved 6,630 acres of land in central New Jersey. But if this land had not been saved as open space, what would we have instead?

- For every two acres, on average, one house would have been built. That's 3,315 additional houses.
- Every house generates, on average, 10 car trips per day. That's a total of an additional 33,150 car trips per day. Or 232,050 car trips per week. Or 12,066,600 car trips per year.
- Every house, on average, would use 350 gallons of water per day. That's a total of an

additional 1,160,250 gallons of water per day. Or 8,121,750 additional gallons of water per week. Or 422,331,000 additional gallons of water per year.

- Every home has, on average 2.2 children. That's a total of 7,293 children. Each child requires a municipal investment of \$12,000 per year for primary and secondary education. That's a total of \$87,516,000 in education costs per year.

Open space in our area costs between \$5,000 and \$100,000 per acre to preserve. But *not* preserving it could end up costing all of us a whole lot more. 🌱

*Please note: these statistics were generated with assumptions commonly used by municipal planning boards.*

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Including Delaware & Raritan Greenway in your will is one of the most significant things you can do to save our landscape for your heirs. It is a true legacy. If you are interested in other giving opportunities such as a charitable remainder trust or the donation of your land for tax benefits, call Linda Mead at D&R Greenway (609-924-4646).

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## Shawn Ellsworth Joins the Staff of D&R Greenway

In October, D&R Greenway welcomed Shawn Ellsworth to our headquarters at 1327 Canal Road. Accepting the position of Director of Major Gifts, Shawn is a great addition to our land preservation team. His 24 years of experience managing a successful business coupled with his volunteer association with many non-profits in our area

have given him a unique and invaluable set of skills that will benefit D&R Greenway in the coming years.

In particular, Shawn will be focused on development for *The Greenway Center*, as a focal point for land preservation in our region and our future home.

In addition, Shawn will work towards establishing a revolving land fund that will provide resources at the ready when land deals need to be executed before state or private funding can be accessed. He will also be creating a planned giving program designed to support long-term stewardship for

preserved lands and provide a source of income for preserving new properties well into the future.

We are delighted to have Shawn as a friend and colleague. With his help, D&R Greenway will be in an even stronger position to win the race to preserve the natural areas, historic landscapes and opens spaces that give our region its special character. ♣



Welcoming Shawn Ellsworth to D&R Greenway are from left to right: vice-chair Rich Goldman, executive director Linda Mead, Shawn Ellsworth, advisor John Harper and trustee Tom Poole

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