

Dear Members and Friends:

The NCRT Board of Directors and volunteers really appreciate your generosity, support and sharing the vision. Although 2009 has been a challenging year please consider a special gift to NCRT.

Your year-end gift will continue the 3-year Business Plan:

- Employ a part-time Executive Director
- Provide consultation and resources for rail-trail projects in North Carolina

Our 2009 accomplishments include:

- Redesign of Web site <http://www.ncrailtrails.org> including access to all Little Toot newsletters since 1992 and much new content.
- Contracted for project support services.
- Ribbon cutting on the first 3/4 mile of the Deep River Rail-Trail in Franklinville, Randolph County.
- In Transylvania County, the Brevard Bike Path is being extended on the old railway roadbed of the former Carr Lumber Company to join the Art Loeb Trail in the Pisgah National Forest.
(The Art Loeb Trail further on becomes part of the Mountains to the Sea Trail.)
- Conducted public meetings of NCRT Board of Directors in Roseboro, High Point, Charlotte and Durham with new board members.
- Published two issues of Little Toot newsletter Vol. 18 No. 1 & 2.
- Conducted four Rail Corridor Round Table conference calls from Bailey and Dixon, LLP, Raleigh, NC.
- Continued partnership with EarthShare of North Carolina a workplace giving federation and membership with NC Center for Nonprofits, NC Conservation Network, NC Land Trust Council, and the national Land Trust Alliance.

Your gift to NCRT will help rail-trail projects all across the state.

Thank You!

Sincerely,

AL Capehart, President