



# Bradford County Newsletter

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## New Website to Aid in Readdressing

Press Release

The Bradford County Commissioners would like to announce the latest news on the countywide readdressing project. A new web based Questionnaire Response Form is available on Bradford County's Website at [www.bradfordcountypa.org](http://www.bradfordcountypa.org). Residents can view an aerial photo of their property while filling out the form. Using the website will decrease the time to complete the project allowing 911 addresses to be placed in use sooner. Residents in Regions 1 - 4 have already received questionnaires requesting name, current mailing address and phone number(s). Anyone who has received a questionnaire and has not responded by mail can now fill out the questionnaire over the internet. Residents in Region 5 are in the process of receiving questionnaires now. Residents in Re-

### 911 Readdressing

#### Online Questionnaire Response Form

<http://www.msagquestionnaire.com/>

gions 6 - 9 will be receiving questionnaires through September of this year. All Bradford County residents receiving questionnaires can use the online service instead of mailing the information. Field crews with MSAG Data Consultants out of Orange, Virginia will continue delivering questionnaires to

residents throughout the county, region by region. County Commissioner Mark Smith stated that "It is very important that each resident receiving a questionnaire promptly use the new website or return the postage paid information card to MSAG data consultants. Each and every resident in Bradford County has the power to move the county through this process quickly, efficiently and cost effectively. Keeping costs down and protecting Bradford County residents are our ultimate goals and we're hoping for your cooperation to accomplish these goals".

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## Bradford County Correctional Facility receives 100% Rating

By: Donald Stewart, B.C.C.F. Warden



**Warden Don Stewart**

Recently the Bradford County Correctional Facility was inspected by the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections office of

inspectors for compliance with PA Title

37. As Warden of the facility I am pleased to announce that we received a report of 100% compliance. The inspection process is a 3 day inspection during which all polices

are reviewed for meeting state law and the entire building is inspected for cleanliness and proper maintenance. Staff and inmates are interviewed by the inspector to determine if policy and procedures are being followed properly.

The staff of the facility does an outstanding job day in and out and this inspection and report recognizes the professional manner in which they perform. I would like to take this opportunity to commend the staff and

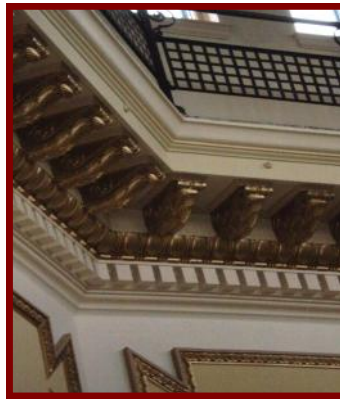
volunteers for a job well done and thank them for the effort they put forth into making the facility the best it can be. I also would like to acknowledge the inmate population for the work they put into cleaning and painting, this is also a very important part of the inspection process and the work done is a very recognizable improvement to the facility. I also need to that the Bradford County Prison Board for



working with us during the recent change of leadership and for giving us the resources to make needed improvements.

## Courthouse Cornice Repair Complete

By: Michelle Shedden



### Before and After.....

Work on the cornice restoration began on April 20, 2009. Evergreene Paint studios began by repairing existing plaster surfaces where material was missing, cracked or otherwise damaged. Then they repaired and patched holes and openings from demolition and probe work and removed all loose or damaged plaster. Following the repair they began to clean all the original paint areas to prepare for the painting to begin. Paint samples were submitted and painting was completed on May 14, 2009.

## Larnard-Hornbrook, Sunfish Pond, and Mt. Pisgah County Parks

By: Ray Stolinas

### County Parks Public Meeting

Wednesday, June 24, 2009

6:00-8:00 PM

Bradford County Conservation District  
Stoll Natural Resource Center,  
Lake Rd. in Wysox Township  
(RR 5, Box 5030C, Towanda, PA 18848)

[Click Here for Directions](#)



Bradford County is in the process of developing Master Plans for Larnard-Hornbrook, Sunfish Pond, and Mt. Pisgah County Parks. The Master Plans will explore the assets of each park and determine how the park sites can be enhanced to better serve the recreation needs of Bradford County residents.

**You are invited and encouraged to attend** an evening brainstorming session to voice your thoughts and ideas on the future plans for

Larnard-Hornbrook, Sunfish Pond, and Mt. Pisgah County Parks. Public input will be incorporated into the design process and will help to establish priorities for future development and conservation.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend. Share this invitation with others. If unable to attend, and want to contribute, please forward your comments to Raymond J. Stolinas, Bradford County Planning Director [stolinasr@bradfordco.org](mailto:stolinasr@bradfordco.org)



# Bradford County Auditors Issue Report for 2007

The auditing office's main focus is to test money keeping records to prove that county money has been collected and spent properly. These duties are performed on behalf of the taxpayers, since it is their money that is involved. Presented here is the audit as presented to the public. To learn more about the Bradford County Auditors visit: [Bradford County Auditors](http://www.bradfordcountypa.gov) on the Bradford County Website.

## Statement of Change in Fund Balances

Bradford County, PA

Year Ending December 31, 2007

**We submit the report as follows:**

That pursuant of our duties as county auditors we met at the courthouse, Towanda, Pa on January 2, 2007 and adjourning from day to day, continued to audit and select the accounts of the county offices and others subject to our jurisdiction. Our report is herewith attached, and we file the same as our findings, as provided by law.

**GENERAL FUND**

Revenues	
Taxes	\$10,151,624
Hotel room tax	\$136,065
Intergovernmental	\$8,282,482
Charges for Services	\$3,678,543
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$755,382
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$23,004,096</b>
Expenditures	
Administration	5,418,166
Judicial	2,787,066
Public Safety	5,314,008
Public Service	9,679,567
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$23,198,807</b>
Expenditures over Revenues	(194,711)
FUND BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2007	\$ 3,631,058
FUND BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2007	\$ 3,436,347

**OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS** - includes Domestic Relations, Human Services, Drug & Alcohol, Library, Debt Service, and Capital Projects

Revenues	\$ 5,489,882
Expenditures	6,097,734
Expenditures over Revenues	(607,852)
FUND BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2007	2,501,053
FUND BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2007	\$ 1,893,201

**MENTAL HEALTH/MENTAL RETARDATION**

Revenues	\$9,555,443
Expenditures	9,086,614
Revenues over Expenditures	468,829
FUND BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2007	66,195
FUND BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2007	\$ 535,024

**LIQUID FUELS**

Revenues	\$ 1,276,712
Expenditures	1,143,517
Revenues over Expenditures	133,195
FUND BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2007	2,175,892
FUND BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2007	\$ 2,309,087

**AIRPORT, COUNTY MANOR & DAY CARE**

Revenues	\$18,142,516
Expenditures	18,449,875
Expenditures over Revenues	(307,359)
FUND BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2007	13,964,383
FUND BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2007	\$ 13,657,024

**PENSION TRUST FUND**

Revenues	\$ 4,521,326
Expenditures	2,517,983
Revenues over Expenditures	2,003,343
FUND BALANCE/LONG-TERM LIABILITIES, JANUARY 1, 2007	\$42,699,268
LIABILITIES, DECEMBER 31, 2007	\$44,702,611

**STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS**

Outstanding as of December 31, 2007	\$ 6,693,946
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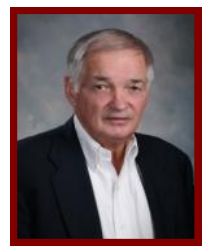
We, the undersigned Auditors of Bradford County, State of Pennsylvania, do hereby certify, that we have prepared the foregoing statement from files, records, cashbooks, cancelled vouchers and accounts of various offices, in conjunction with the independent auditors (Larson, Kellett & Associates) and that it is true to the best of our knowledge and belief. Witness our hands at Towanda, Pennsylvania.



*Audrey Allen*



*Susan Storch*



*Jeff Warner*

The above statement has been condensed for publication. The complete audit is on file in the Prothonotary's Office. Inquires or explanation of the above audit may be made at the Auditor's office, basement floor of the courthouse.



## Quick Updates....

### Sticker Shock in Bradford County

The Bradford County Communities that Care held a Project Sticker Shock between May 12<sup>th</sup> and May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Project Sticker Shock was conducted at Strickland's Beverage, Flynn's Beverage, AIF's Beverage, Tygart's Beverage Co., Skerpon's Beverage and Wyalusing Beverage. SADD students from Towanda, Sayre and Canton as well as youth from various youth groups were present to place stickers on cases of beer. The stickers that were placed on the cases read "It's NOT your call! It's the LAW! It is ILLEGAL to buy or provide alcohol for ANYONE under 21". The projects were conducted prior to the Memorial Day Weekend and graduation to remind adults about the law.

### 2009 Annual Valley Walk for Autism

Come join your friends and neighbors at the 2009 Annual Valley Walk for Autism held by Autism Hearts. The walk will be held on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 3 pm at the Athens High School Track. Registration will begin at 11:15 and the walk starts at noon. Drawings for door prizes will be available for purchase. Please check out [www.autismhearts.org](http://www.autismhearts.org) for more info. 50/50 tickets are available for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 please see Danielle Chamberlain in probation department.

## Veterans Appreciation Picnic to be held at HornBrook Park

By: Michelle Shedden

It is time again for the annual Veterans Appreciation Picnic at Hornbrook Park. This years picnic will be held on June 7, 2009.

The Veterans Appreciation picnic began in 1988, with veterans from the VA Medical Center in Bath NY and Wilkes Barre PA as well as veterans from Bradford County attending.

The day has become an exciting event for all, with local officials pitching in to help serve the food and numerous organizations contributing time and money.

The theme for this years event is "Old Glory Long May It Wave" honoring all veterans who have served their country, whether in peace time or war.

We give special thanks to all our veterans for their service to their country allowing us the freedoms we enjoy every day.

Every veteran that attends will receive a free meal, T shirt or hat.



## County Government Directory

Accounting	265-1723	Treasurer	265-1700
Assessment	265-1714	Veterans Affairs	265-1704
Auditors	265-1716	Victim Witness	265-1759
Human Services	265-1760	Penn State Agricultural Extension	265-2896
Bradford County Manor	297-4111	Area Agency on Aging	265-4900
Collections	265-1746	Airport	297-2436
Commissioners	265-1727	Library	297-5047
Courts	265-1707	Correctional Facility	265-9101
District Attorney	265-1712	911 Center	265-5539
Domestic Relations	265-1718	Conservation District	297-0720
Elections	265-1717	Coroner	297-3880
Hearing Master	265-1711	District Justice (Troy)	268-5057
Jury Commissioners	265-1732	District Justice (Towanda)	265-9393
Personnel	265-1722	District Justice (Wysox)	888-6324
Probation	265-1706	District Justice (Athens)	265-5022
Prothonotary	265-1705	Emergency Management	268-4103
Public Defender	265-1713	Planning	268-4193
Register & Recorder	265-1702	Grants	
Sheriff	265-1701		

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