



Bradford County Newsletter

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Veterans Picnic Planned at County's Hornbrook Park

On Thursday May 20, 2010 the Commissioners proclaimed June 6, 2010 as "Veterans Appreciation Day" in Bradford County. The 22nd annual Veterans Day Picnic will take place on June 6, 2010 with opening services beginning at 11:00 a.m. All veterans and general public are invited to attend the picnic, which will be held at Hornbrook County Park. Lunch for veterans is free, non veterans are \$5.00 and

Senior Citizens and children are \$2.50. There will be live entertainment and a Chinese auction. Representative Tina Pickett will read a Resolution passed by the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. "I have always been proud of this event in Bradford County said Tina Pickett, "It certainly is a tradition of thanks to the veterans in our area."

The theme for this years event will be "Remembering D-Day." The Commissioners en-



Ike Bower sings National Anthem at 2009 Veterans Day picnic

courage everyone to come out and visit with these men and women who have some incredible stories to tell. It is a great way to honor the troops who have served our county.

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911 Readdressing

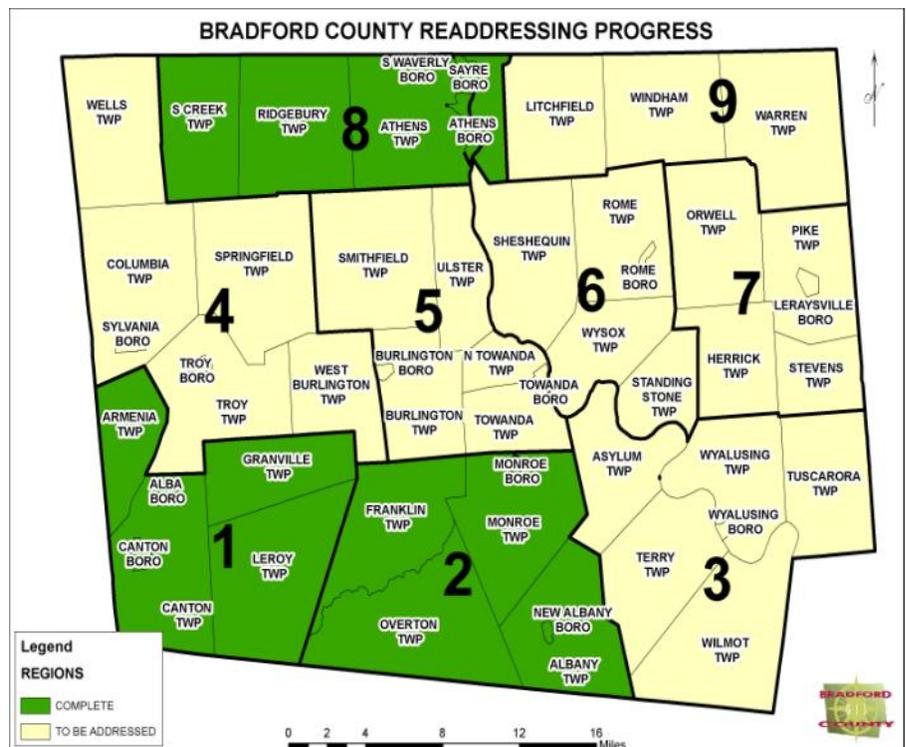
Update

Region 3 will receive their new 911 addresses between June 25, 2010 and July 2, 2010.

Residents in Regions 1 & 2 are asked to post their new address numbers on their homes if they are visible from the road. If the home is not visible from the road, they are asked to post the number at the end of the driveway.

This should take place immediately, regardless of whether they have changed their address yet.

Emergency responders need to have the numbers visible in order to locate homes as quickly as possible. Old numbers should be removed in order to avoid confusion.



Bradford County Bookmobile back on the Move

By: Jeff Singer



Through the generosity of an anonymous donor Bradford County Library is reinstating the Bookmobile Service. The Donor gave funds to the library to purchase a Ford E-150 and it has been modi-

fied into a bookmobile. This new vehicle can accommodate 1,500 books which include popular fiction, non-fiction, a considerable collection of books in large type, and a children's collection. The bookmobile will have 48 stops throughout the county. Stops include day care centers, head starts, post offices,

banks, and senior citizen residences. The complete schedule of stops will soon be sent to local newspapers and will also appear on the Library's website at:

www.bradfordcountylibrary.org

The library merged two positions – the bookmobile librarian and the assistant bookmobile clerk – into one position, the bookmobile clerk. This new position has not been

filled yet, but applications are being accepted at the County's Human Resources department at the Courthouse. Contributions to maintain the bookmobile, or to add to the bookmobile's collection, may be made to the **Bradford County Library, RR #3, Box 320, Troy, PA 16947**. For more information about the Bookmobile or any of the Library's services, please call the Library at (570) 297-2436.

Salvation Army Week Proclaimed in County

By Michelle Shedden

At their meeting held on May 13, 2010 the Board proclaimed May 10-14, 2010 as Salvation Army month in Bradford County. Captain Tim Shaffer spoke about the need for a soup kitchen in the county and their desire to help make a difference in the lives of those in need. In January 2010 the Sayre Salvation Army opened a soup

kitchen and today serves over 60 people. The soup kitchen is open to the public from 4p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the first Monday of every month and is located in the Salvation Army's church on 314 S Elmer Avenue, Sayre PA. Captain Shaffer said the soup kitchen will extend its hours this summer to the first and third Mondays of June, July and

August. The Salvation Army also host the food pantry for the valley area. Betty Barrett, regional Salvation Army service extension coordinator, noted that the kettle campaign raised \$49,730 last year. She feels that the residents of Bradford County are very generous with their donations to the kettle campaign.



Doug McLinko, Merle Young, Mark Smith, Angie Schmeckenbecker, Wilma Sullivan, Betty Ellen Barrett, Monty Hughey, Linda Stone, John Sullivan, Capt. Shaffer, Angela Shaffer

County Participates at Career Fair Northeast Bradford School

By: Lori Foust

Northeast Bradford School District recently hosted their first annual career fair for the 9th-12th grade students. According to Melissa Caudill, High School Math teacher, the idea came about when she learned that several students were not sure of their career goal, and did not plan to immediately attend college. Realizing that those students needed to be informed of career opportunities

in the area, several teachers, with the support of High School Principal John Toscano, organized a career fair. Representatives from five Bradford County Agencies were among the eleven colleges and 22 Career Professionals who attended the successful event.

Promoting Bradford County Services at the career fair were: Tom

Schuster, Chief of Probation, Bradford County Probation Dept; Jim Hart, Sheriff Deputy, Clinton "C.J." Walters, Bradford County Sheriff; Mark Smith, Bradford County Commissioner; Don Stewart, B.C.C.F. Warden; Carol Sue McNeal, Bradford County Manor Recruitment & Retention, and Lori Foust, Bradford County Manor Marketing Director.



Tom Schuster, Jim Hart, CJ Walters, Mark W. Smith, Don Stewart, Carol Sue McNeal, and Lori Foust.

Arbor Day at Bradford County Manor

By: Lori Foust

The first Arbor Day took place on April 10, 1872 in Nebraska. It was the brainchild of Julius Sterling Morton, a Nebraska journalist and politician.

In the years following that first arbor day many states began to declare their own Arbor Days. Today all 50 states celebrate Arbor

Day, although the dates may change due to varying climates.

On April 30th, in recognition of Arbor Day, a tree planting ceremony and plaque presentation was held at the Bradford County Manor.

Members of the Bradford County Manor Resident

Council and PEER (Pennsylvania's Empowered Expert Residents) Group planted two dogwood trees and placed a plaque on the creek side pavilion in memory of past residents.



Above from Left to Right: Kathy Cadek, Bradford County Manor Resident Council President and PEER Group member; Earl Steele, AAA Volunteer Ombudsman; Jim Shadduck, Bradford County Manor Administrator; Carol Dieffenbach, AAA Ombudsmen; Bradford County Manor Resident and honorary groundskeeper, Richard Lantz; and John Hurlburt, Bradford County Manor Maintenance Director.

Natural Gas

News in Relation to Bradford County's Emerging Industry

East Resources Announces Sale to Shell



“WARRENDALE, Pa., May 28 / PRNewswire/ – **East Resources, Inc.** ("East Resources" or "the company"), a Pennsylvania-based independent oil and gas producer and one of the most active explorers in the Marcellus Shale, along with its private equity investor **Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Company**, signed a definitive agreement to sell the company's principal subsidiaries to

an affiliate of **Royal Dutch Shell** plc ("Shell") for cash consideration of \$4.7 billion.

The sale includes East's natural gas and oil exploration and production operations and most of its holdings in related businesses. With the purchase of East Resources, Shell will acquire approximately 650,000 net acres of Marcellus Shale rights in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and New York, and 1.05 million acres in total. East Resources, founded in 1983 by Terrence M. Pegula, has been one of the Appalachian Basin's most active exploration and production companies for more than 25 years.

Since its inception, East has grown primarily through its exploration successes, several strategic acquisitions, and most

recently the development of the Marcellus Shale. East Resources employs approximately 300 office and field personnel in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, New York and Colorado. Its principal offices are located in Warrendale, PA, Broomfield, CO and Parkersburg, WV.

Shell will continue to operate with East's workforce to ensure continuing success in the growth and development of the reserves it will acquire in the purchase. The sale of East Resources to Shell is expected to close in two phases.

The first phase of the sale will be completed in mid- to late summer. The second phase of the sale, including the sale of the West Virginia business, will close later this year, pending certain regulatory approvals. "The sale of the company to

Shell will ensure that the capital needed to develop East's significant Marcellus Shale holdings will be available," says Mr. Pegula, East's owner and Chief Executive Officer. "Shell's entry into the region should benefit Pennsylvania, West Virginia and New York through significant new **capital investment**, new jobs and new business opportunities. I am very proud that this transaction has brought Shell into the Appalachian Basin."

President of **Shell Oil Company**, Marvin Odum commented, "East Resources' management has built an excellent organization which we are pleased to have as we enter the northeast US and specifically the Marcellus Shale play."

Quick Updates....

County Auction held at Bradford County Manor: On May 1, 2010 the county held an auction for surplus office furniture, vehicles and office equipment at the Bradford County Manor. There were over 50 people in attendance and all items were sold.

Conservation District Seedling Sale: Bradford County Conservation sold 18510 seedlings at the recent sale, this was less than half the amount sold in the past. They also sold blue bird houses, seed mix, and duck boxes.

Materials Bids Awarded for Building Renovation: General Construction materials: Arey Building Supply, \$27,128.62; Electrical materials to Denny Electric, \$24,192.05 and Plumbing to Hoover Hardware at \$1847.52.

Senior Expo to be held in Athens: Representative Tina Pickett will hold the 10th annual Senior Citizens Expo on Friday June 18, 2010 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m at the Athens Lynch/Bustin Elementary School in Athens PA. This event has sponsors from all types of businesses and is a great venue for gathering information on much needed services in the county.

Bradford County Supports National Day of Prayer

By: Michelle Shedden

Bradford County Commissioners declared May 6, 2010 as National Day of Prayer in Bradford County. The Commissioners proclaimed the day “an opportunity to acknowledge our many blessings, to contemplate the numerous

challenges that we, as a society and a nation face here at home and throughout the world and to rededicate ourselves to helping others, strengthening our personal faith, and joining together to spread hope, peace, and

love among all people.” North Rome Christian School children sang several song selections and various ministers from the area spoke.



Commissioner Smith reads proclamation

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	265-6121
Collections	265-1746	Airport	265-4900
Commissioners	265-1727	Library	297-2436
Courts	265-1707	Correctional Facility	297-5047
District Attorney	265-1712	911 Center	265-9101
Domestic Relations	265-1718	Conservation District	265-5539
Elections	265-1717	Coroner	297-0720
Hearing Master	265-1711	District Justice (Troy)	297-3880
Jury Commissioners	265-1732	District Justice (Towanda)	268-5057
Personnel	265-1722	District Justice (Wysox)	265-9393
Probation	265-1706	District Justice (Athens)	888-6324
Prothonotary	265-1705	Emergency Management	265-5022
Public Defender	265-1713	Planning	268-4103
Register & Recorder	265-1702	Grants	268-4193
Sheriff	265-1701		



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