



# Bradford County Newsletter

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## Guaranteed Energy Savings Project Approved

### Press Release

The Bradford County Commissioners voted unanimously on June 24, 2010 to move forward with the county's Guaranteed Energy Savings Project.

This is a three million dollar project that will greatly improve the energy efficiency of county buildings at no cost to taxpayers. "This project will allow the county to make major improvements which include replacing 112 year old windows at the Courthouse. These 106 replacements at the courthouse will meet the code for Historical Buildings. The energy project will also fix the heating and cooling problems that exist on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floors, and replace a worn-out and broken cooling system at the Manor. These are very costly fixes that would otherwise drain the county coffers and increase

the property tax burden to our citizens." said Commissioner, Mark Smith.

Bradford County Manor Controller Steve Gates said "At the end of this 15 year term there will be a minimum ongoing savings of \$407,792 annually. The project will save the county every year but especially at the end of the 15 year term."

Johnson Controls, Inc. was chosen as the ESCO (Energy Service Companies) to partner with the county to develop, design, commission and manage this large and complex project. They will have the responsibility for the multiple facets of this project and we are satisfied that we can depend on this

ESCO to stand behind the performance guarantees inherent in a guaranteed energy savings performance contract. Through the Guaranteed Energy Savings project there is a savings which will be guaranteed by Johnson Controls, Inc. totaling \$5,076,999 over the 15 year term of the contract.

This project will include the following:

- **Lighting Upgrades throughout six county buildings**
- **Enhanced insulation**
- **106 windows replaced at the courthouse**
- **Boiler Controls and Boiler Replacement**
- **Building Automation System**
- **Domestic Hot Water Loop Controller**
- **Vending Machine Control**

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**The complete Guaranteed Energy Savings presentation is available on the county website... [HERE](#)**

## 911 Readdressing Update

Bradford County would like to announce that the next region of the countywide readdressing project began on June 25<sup>th</sup> 2010. . **Region 3**, consisting of Asylum Township, Terry Township, Tuscarora Township, Wilmot Township, Wyalusing Borough and Wyalusing Township are scheduled for delivery of new 911 addresses between **June 25 and July 2, 2010**. The addresses have been approved by the United States Postal Ser-

vice. Letters will be delivered to each addressable structure in Region 3. Accompanying the addressing letter will be a letter from the Post Office verifying that this process is approved by them and will give some additional information concerning changing your address. The addressing questionnaire **delivery** phase of this project is complete. Although the response rate for the first few

regions has been encouraging, it is still extremely important for the residents in the remaining regions to return their questionnaires as soon as possible. All addresses for Region 1 and 2 have been delivered. Regions 4 and 5 addresses have been submitted to the Post Office for approval. All residents can mail the questionnaires back or use the web version at [msagquestionnaire.com](http://msagquestionnaire.com)

## Bradford County Videos Coming to Website

Bradford County is excited to launch a new program that we feel will have a significant impact on the promotion of our County. Our membership in National Association of Counties, has presented the county with the opportunity to receive a fully produced, at no cost, county video to be placed

on the county website. CGI Communications will produce a series of streaming online videos highlighting all our community has to offer its residents, visitors and businesses. CGI is a leader in online marketing solutions, working with thousands of communities and businesses nationwide. With an easily viewable interface

on the county website the video showcase will engage viewers in learning more about the area attractions, economic development opportunities, quality of life and so much more. Taping of the video will take place on July 7th and 8th. We will keep you informed on when it will be available for viewing.



## “Dairy Day” proclaimed in Bradford County



Front Row: Elaine Nobel, Bradford County Dairy Princess Marie Nobel, Dairy Maid: Jenna Harnish, Mark Smith, Second Row: Michelle Harnish, John M. Sullivan and Doug McLinko

With Dairy Farmers across the state still trying to recover from last years rock bottom milk prices, it was nice to have the complete support of the Bradford County Commissioners in recognizing the important role that dairy farmers have in our county. The 2010 Bradford County Dairy Princess, Marie Nobel read the proclamation during the Commissioners meeting and following the meeting served milk punch to the public and employees in the Courthouse Rotunda.

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## Successful Day at the Senior Citizens Expo

By: Michelle Shedden

The 2010 Senior Citizens Expo was packed with informational handouts, amazing

door prizes, and lots of smiling faces. Everyone who came out for the day seemed to enjoy visiting with the vendors and seeing the new products that were being offered. This was the first year that the Commissioners had a booth at the Expo and we were very happy to have the chance to be a part of

this exciting event. It was a great opportunity to visit with citizens and answer their questions about services offered by the county. The Commissioners offered a T-shirt, tote bag and mug embroidered with the county crest as a door prize and the lucky winner was Nancy Davis from Susquehanna County. We hope to see everyone there again next year.



Michelle Shedden at Commissioners



Emergency Management secretary, Sue Preston and Emergency Management intern Pam Mechling attend to county display booths at the Senior Expo

## 200 Main St. Building Renovation Progressing

By: Mark Smith

The new home for District Judge Tim Clark is well underway at 200 Main St. in Towanda. The building is currently being renovated to house several county related offices. The first phase and priority of the project is to relocate Judge Clark's Of-

fice from his current office on Fourth St. The office is scheduled to be finished and operational in the fall of this year. County workers are expanding the first floor of the building, and installing new plumbing and electrical.



County Maintenance workers working on the framing of the new offices as well as the electrical installation.



# Natural Gas

News in Relation to Bradford County's Emerging Industry

## Natural Gas Expo Held at Alparon Park

On June 25th and 26th Troy Pennsylvania hosted the first ever Natural Gas expo held in Bradford County. The event attracted businesses from all over the country. Over 250 exhibitors made their way to Troy for both a networking dinner on Friday night and the main expo event held on Saturday. Exhibitors came from places such as Mississippi, Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Ohio, New York, Maryland, Colorado and Wyoming.

The event was planned by partners from both private and public entities.

Local and international companies sponsored the event from many different aspects of the industry. Chesapeake and Talisman,

both leading exploration companies in Bradford County participated as Platinum sponsors. Gold Sponsors included East Resources and Williams Oil. Silver sponsors were Wyoming Casing Services, Greene's Energy Group, Gas Field Specialist, Inc., Chief, West Penn, Simmons Rockwell, Diaz, and Appelation Pre Fab.

Members of the Troy Fair board were heavily involved in the planning and operation of the event. Cathy Jenkins, Fair Committee President, said " We were pleased to have hosted the Marcellus Shale Expo at Alparon Community Park and felt that is was a great success for the exhibitors along with being educational for the general public that attended the event."

This was a great event for our area and the gas related businesses, we look forward to hosting the expo again in 2011.

Various vendors already signed up for the next year's event before they left this year's event. Next year's event is scheduled for June 25, 2011.

Heavy equipment was an interesting sight at the fairgrounds with a helicopter company flying in and landing at the fairgrounds from Canada. There was also a



## Quick Updates....

**Bids:** Bradford County has requested bids for HVAC materials and installation at the new building at 200 Main Street. There was a mandatory prebid conference held on June 30, 2010 with three contractors attending. Bids must be received by July 14, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.

**Tourism Committee Meeting:** The tourism committee met on May 27, 2010. The committee is currently working on getting brochures printed and updating the web site with current information for local tourism businesses.

**Gas Advisory Committee:** David Burnett the director of technology for the Global Petroleum Research Institute and research coordinator for the Petroleum Engineering Department at Texas A&M University was a speaker at the meeting held on June 24, 2010. He discussed new technology available for treatment and re-use of water from drilling and fracturing operations. Mr. Burnett leads a team of specialists who are planning field demonstrations of advanced water treatment in the Marcellus Shale.

**Logging Progress on Mt. Pisgah:** The timber harvest of second section of the contract at Mt. Pisgah has been completed by Wheeland Lumber. The project is expected to last approximately three more months.

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- Window Air Conditioner Covers
- Cooling System Modification
- System Air Balancing
- PC Power Management System
- Variable Frequency Drives Hot Water Pump
- Chiller Replacement
- Heat Recovery System From NTSWA

There has seldom been an opportunity for a project of this scope and complexity to be accomplished with zero dollars in taxpayer expense. By utilizing this program developed and managed by the Commonwealth all expenditures both capital and operational are funded

solely through savings generated by the project. We believe this is the right project at the right time and we have chosen the right partner to administer and guarantee it.

## 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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