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## Bradford County Commissioners Office

The Bradford County Commissioners Office was honored to receive the 2011 Newsletter of the Year Award for the second consecutive year, during the 125th Annual County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP) Conference held in Seven Springs Mountain Resort, August 15-17, 2011. The Newsletter award was presented for outstanding communication efforts in assuring the messages of county government are known and understood. Commissioner Mark Smith and Chief Clerk, Michelle Shedden accepted the award on behalf of Bradford County.

The monthly newsletter is an important part of the county's efforts to increase open government through the internet. It has over two thousand regular subscribers and the current and past newsletters are available for download from the county's website. Anyone can sign up to receive the county e-mail newsletter on the county's website at [www.bradfordcountypa.org](http://www.bradfordcountypa.org).

Bradford County was honored to be the first recipient of the new excellence in websites award. The Excellence in Websites Award is designed to honor outstanding work by the counties in the area of websites. Bradford County launched a new and improved website in February 2009. The county's website is a progressive move towards better communication and enhanced ways to conduct county business. The website features a wealth of information, including interactive maps, extensive information on services and how to obtain them, calendar of events along with a news section that features the latest happenings in the county. All graphics were done to allow for minimum load times, even at the lowest and slowest connection speeds. The website is totally focused on the user and the county has done an excellent job of consolidating large files for easy downloads. CQ Services worked very hard in the design and development of the website and the Commissioners recognized their important role in our achieving this award.