

2008 PRO BONO REPORT

For calendar year 2008, 83 Lycoming Law Association members handled **207** cases, 2 divorce clinics (14 divorces issued), **1** research project, supervised **15** custody clinics, and did one custody mediation. The following is a breakdown of the types of cases:

- 139 Protection From Abuse Cases
- 68 Other civil legal issues, including employment issues, estate matters, advance directives, education, family, guardianship, housing, landlord and tenant, bankruptcy, utilities and law suit defense.
- 61 Individuals helped in the clinics

Two North Penn Legal Services attorneys conducted a Lunch and Learn on consumer issues in hopes of getting attorneys to volunteer to take referrals in these types of cases as well as sharing the expertise that has been developed in this office. The CLE was well-received, however, to date no volunteers have come forward. Joseph Rider was honored by his peers at the Pennsylvania Bar Association with a PBA Pro Bono award for his services to North Penn Legal Services clients. The Legal Services to the Indigent Committee recommended that the ***Equal Access to Justice Award*** be renamed in honor of The Honorable Thomas Wood, Jr and that recommendation was accepted by the Law Association.