

## **2010 PRO BONO REPORT**

For calendar year 2010, Lycoming Law Association members and their staff, handled 186 new cases, 2 divorce clinics, and supervised 23 custody clinics.

North Penn Legal Services staff conducted two Lunch and Learns. One on Mortgage Foreclosure procedures and developing law and the other on the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act.

A new pro bono endeavor was begun. A Mortgage Diversion program was established. The courts schedule settlement conferences with the lender and the borrower and Pro bono volunteer lawyers represent the borrowers upon request. This has brought into the pro bono program several attorneys who have not been able to participate in the past due to the areas of law in which they practice.

Former attorney and now Judge, Marc Lovecchio was honored by the Pennsylvania Bar Association with a state pro bono award. Plans are in the works for presenting Judge Lovecchio with that award here in Lycoming county.