

REPORT OF THE LYCOMING LAW ASSOCIATION LAW LIBRARY COMMITTEE – FOR 2008

Members who were active in the Law Library Committee in the year 2008 were: Jonathan E. Butterfield, Esquire, Chairman, William E. Nichols, Esquire, Karl K. Baldys, Esquire, Robin A. Read, Esquire, and Pamela L. Shipman, Esquire.

Progress of the Law Library Committee has been somewhat hampered by frequent changes in the law librarian in the James V. Brown Library. However, a new law librarian, Alex Hartman, was hired by the Brown Library in December 2008, and Mr. Hartman expresses an interest in using the Lycoming Law Association, and the Committee, as a resource.

The Committee set up an evening attorney lecture program at the law library, involving attorneys volunteering to provide a lecture and a “question and answer” session on a topic selected by the attorney. Thanks to all the attorneys who participated.

The Committee has compiled a catalog of all law holdings of the James V. Brown Library. A summary of the holdings, along with a questionnaire concerning library usage and possible additions to the collection, will be e-mailed to the LLA membership in the near future. Response is, of course, encouraged. Pam Shipman has reviewed the library’s holding of local ordinances, with an eye to rectifying the absence of any township.

In the next year, it is anticipated that the Committee will become more involved in making suggestions to the James V. Brown Library concerning acquisitions, including additions to the computer data bases.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan E. Butterfield
Chairperson of the Law Library Committee