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Group Tours

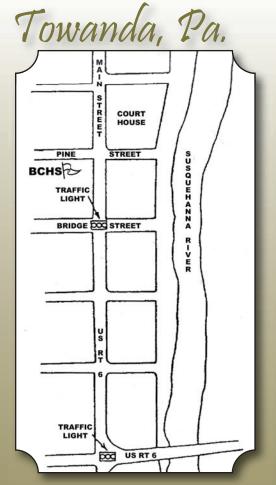
The Bradford County Historical Society offers group tours for all ages. These tours are led by museum staff or volunteers who share interesting facts about the historic jail and the museum exhibits. Call the museum to schedule your event.

Gift Shop

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The Gift Shop offers items such as: history books, items from local artists, clothing with our logo, scrapbook stamps, games, collectible glassware, and other items too numerous to mention. Gift Shop hours coincide with the museum hours.





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#### Museum

The exhibits of the Bradford County museum are unique. The flavor of the historic jail building has been maintained while serving as a home for the Society's vast collection of records and artifacts. Much of the jail portion of the building remains today as it was when constructed in 1872.

The exhibits have been creatively arranged throughout two floors of the



building, in what were the cell blocks. Each cell depicts an era of our history. A core exhibit room offers the observer a visual synopsis of what is available throughout the main exhibit areas.

Exhibits include war, agriculture, manufacturing, education, textiles, coal mining and lumbering, to name a few. There are descriptive, easy-to-read panels with each exhibit to explain what is included, along with storyboards providing an overview of county-wide history as it relates to the exhibit.

## Research service

Let our volunteers research for you! Our highly trained volunteers will research the materials in our holdings. We have a high level of success with most requests, however we cannot guarantee results. Our researchers are volunteers and cannot promise an instant reply, but we try to have an answer within a reasonable time. All requests are handled in the order that they are received.

The fee for this service must be received with the request. All research requires about the same amount of time regardless of the results, therefore the center will not refund requests if no results are found. Call the research library at 570-265-2240 or visit our website at www.bradfordhistory.com for more information about research fees.



## Research Library

As one of the oldest historical societies in the state, we boast one of the most complete research libraries in the region. We have local histories, genealogies and family files, as well as old newspaper abstracts with births, deaths and marriages dating from 1812.

Our newspaper microfilm is the most complete in Bradford County. We are also the keepers of many original Bradford County records such as: deeds, mortgages, wills, property assessments, marriages and even naturaliza-



tion papers. Our microfilm collection includes censuses of Bradford County from 1790 to 1930 - the last census to be issued for public use. The works of several local historians are also available, including the phenomenal works and collections of Rev. Edward Hoagland, a lifelong genealogist who compiled information on hundreds of local residents. You may trace a lost ancestor via our comprehensive cemetery

The research library at the historical society is the place to go to start, add to, or complete your genealogical records.

Fascinating **EXHIBITS** 







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