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## CCA Holds Basic Training in Harrison County...



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Some 70 newly elected and veteran County Commissioners from around the State gathered in Bridgeport on November 14-16, 2010, for a three day "Basic Training Program" designed to give them the needed tools and resources to better serve their constituents. There are 36 newly elected Commissioners and 33 of those attended the training.

The Program included such topics as county budgeting, board of equalization and review, open meetings laws, do's and don'ts of the hiring/firing process, running effective meetings, ethics laws and best management practices. The Upshur County Commission also put together a "mock" county commission meeting that was entertaining and informative. The commissioners were also treated to a panel of veteran commissioners who related their "war stories" and gave the new commissioners some advice from their past experiences.

The attending commissioners took home the latest edition of the County Commissioners' Handbook compiled by the CCAWV, a reference guide to WV State Code covering their duties and responsibilities.

All the attendees, new and veteran arrived with a sincere desire to learn all they could about their ever-changing responsibilities. The CCAWV appreciates all of the excellent speakers who helped us make this session possible. It was a great meeting, one of our best yet!

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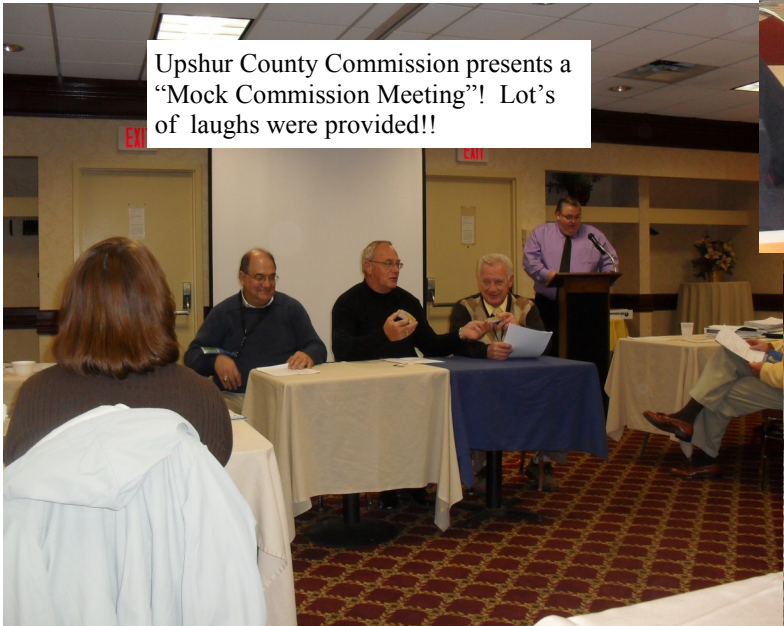
**Pictures from the 2010 CCAWV Basic Training**



Paul Hardesty discusses legislative issues!



Lewis and Wayne County Commissions hard at work!!



Upshur County Commission presents a "Mock Commission Meeting"! Lot's of laughs were provided!!



Looks like they are enjoying their lunch!