# EDEN LIBRARY 2019 COMMUNITY REPORT







- The Friends of the Eden Library continue to provide support to the library through their sponsorship of programs like the fall Pumpkin Patch and the button bouquet craft program. The library is grateful for their enthusiastic support and help.
- The ladies of the Saturday morning Yarn Club knit and crochet to help those who are less fortunate. By the end of 2019 they had created and donated over 6800 items to various charities since starting this service project twelve years ago. This year they made items for UB Heals, a student-run medical initiative serving Buffalo's homeless population, as well as Roswell Park Cancer Institute and the Response to Love Center.



# Thanks to...

- ... our Board of Trustees who dedicate many hours to insuring that our library is adequately funded and maintained. They also attend many county-wide meetings throughout the year and help out whenever needed.
- ... Sue Wilhelm who serves as our liaison with the Eden Town Board.
- ... the Town of Eden for their help with maintenance issues especially the new roof!
- ... all who frequented our annual spring and fall Book Sales.
- ... all who have volunteered their time and talents to make our library a pleasant place to work and visit.
- ... all who attend programs and use our library on a regular basis.





Lots of great programs took place during 2019. (Top to bottom above) Dave Ruch brought his "Songs and Stories of the Erie Canal" to Eden Library in October courtesy of a grant from NYS Council on the Arts and others. Buttons became flowers in a popular craft class. Nickel City Reptiles brought their menagerie to the library last August and we learned just how many kids it takes to hold a boa constrictor! (Not pictured: The Cookbook Club continues to delight library patrons who enjoy trying new recipes and sharing them with others. Eden's own Mountain Dulcimer Players brought their holiday spirit to the library in December and the Pumpkin Patch program is always a popular fall activity.) ABOVE: The Eden Library got a new roof last summer and thanks to Sahlem's Roofing's great timing we never missed an hour of service time to the community!

#### **EDEN LIBRARY BY THE NUMBERS FOR 2019**

44,981 items circulated

24,058 visits

6,800 items knitted for charity by the Yarn Club since 2007

3,807 reference transactions

3,092 wi-fi sessions

over \$2,000 raised through two used book sales

1,505 people attended 136 programs

**819** Facebook followers

1 3 6 interesting and exciting programs

123.5 hours logged by volunteers

110 laptop circulations

3 5 hours open weekly

3 0 titles donated by Laing Funeral Home this year

9 dedicated staff members

6 volunteer board members

2 awesome book sales

1 great location!

Special thanks to Erie Co. Legislator John Mills for his monetary donation and continued support of libraries in his district; to Laing Funeral Home for their memorial books; to students from Eden Central who worked at the library as part of Raiders' Respond Day; to everyone who attended our hot dog roast; to the "Friends of the Eden Library" for their sponsorship of various library programs and ongoing commitment.

### **Contact your Representatives**

Speak up for library services. Let our elected officials know that this library is important to you and your family.

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#### Regular Hours All Year

Monday ... 2 to 8 Tuesday... 10:30 to 5 Wednesday... 2 to 8 Thursday... 10:30 to 5 Friday... 10:30 to 5 Saturday... 10:30 to 2

## **Library Board**

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