

## SERVICES AVAILABLE TO PATRONS

FREE WIFI ON 24/7  
PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES  
6 PATRON COMPUTERS  
FAX, COPY, SCAN AVAILABLE  
MOVIES: DVD & BLU-RAY  
AUDIO BOOKS: Digital & CD  
REGULAR & LARGE PRINT BOOKS  
BOOKS FOR ALL AGES  
CHILDRENS ROOM with play area  
MAKER SPACE  
COMMUNITY ROOM  
MAGAZINES  
NEWSPAPERS  
INTERLIBRARY LOAN

## LIBRARY HOURS

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>11-7</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>11-7</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>11-7</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>11-7</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>10-1</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>

## **JAN thru DEC 2024 STATS**

<b>REGISTERED PATRONS</b>	<b>572</b>
<b>PATRON VISITS</b>	<b>5,076</b>
<b>PROGRAM ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>1,641</b>
<b>NUMBER OF PROGRAMS PRESENTED</b>	<b>267</b>
<b>TOTAL CIRCULATION OF ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>4,937</b>
<b>PATRON COMPUTER USAGE</b>	<b>1,449</b>

## 2024 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PRESIDENT: Beth Speas  
VICE PRESIDENT: Arissa Hitchcock  
SECRETARY: DreAnn Csorba  
TREASURER: Mary Jane Griffith

TRUSTEES:  
Suzanne Cala, Dotty Storey,  
Cynthia Wragge, Delores Young  
Board of Trustee meetings held the  
last Monday of the month at 7pm  
and are open to the public.

## STAFF

LIBRARY DIRECTOR: Judith Whittaker  
LIBRARY CLERK: Suzanne Sischo  
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Lisa Rickard

# ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

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WEBSITE: <https://www.ellingtonlibrary.org>



## 2024 YEAR IN REVIEW

In wrapping up our 2024 Annual Reporting to NYS we recorded a total of **11,034** items in just our print collection alone. This includes books, magazines and reference books. When we count all holdings and include audio books, DVD's, Puzzles & games we total **12,451** and they circulated **5,667** times. We know also that a library is not just the sum total of items circulated.

In 2024 we presented to the community **267** programs. That's **267** opportunities for all ages to learn, create, be inspired and stay healthy! Our patrons learned early spy techniques from an ex-CIA specialist, understood best planting techniques from master gardeners, learned healthy eating habits from Cornell dietitians, saw wonderful photography from an international photographer, heard local authors speak, County Emergency coordinators and artists to name a few. Weekly Yoga & Resistance Band exercise programs continued as well as the monthly Book Club. Adults had opportunities to refresh their driving skills, teens were able to get babysitting certifications and younger children learned how to safely stay home alone. The library coordinated a Community Easter Egg hunt, numerous Potluck Breakfasts and had a presence in the first Trunk 'Treat in the Town Square. We gave away free children's books at the Town Picnic and the Halloween event. Our families enjoyed gingerbread house decorating, Live animal shows with REPCO, learned Science with the Science Storytellers and wowed to a holiday magic show.

Inside our building a large update was completed to our Data Wiring systems. This made computers more secure and provided an outside wireless access point that extends across the Town Square and is accessible 24/7 for any community member to use. This was enabled due to donations through our Give Big CHQ campaign; Bridging the Digital Divide. We also have received funding for our programs from the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, the Chautauqua/Cattaraugus Library System, Senator George Borello, The Falconer Grange and continued connections with Cornell and the Town of Ellington.

The real thank you in 2024 goes out to the community who voted positively for us to receive Sustainable Funding for the first time. With that vote we will be able to know that our doors will stay open and we will have the funds available to continue to offer programs, item collections and the technology the community needs.

We would like to thank everyone who has visited our library for programs, fundraisers or item checkouts in 2024. We hope you always found it to be a welcoming, educational and entertaining place to be. Our appreciation goes out to the volunteers who donated time and those who gave financial contributions so we could continue to serve our community throughout the next year. In 2025 we will be celebrating our 100th Anniversary of being a library in the Town of Ellington. We are excited to celebrate with you and look forward to seeing what the next 100 years will bring!

