

## **EDEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.**

The pandemic sure has changed the world and it certainly has affected this small town in many ways. Trying to get business ads and talking with individuals to continue the calendars just did not work. At that time is when we stopped doing the Calendars. At this time we have tried to focus on other ways to make money for our SMALL Historical Society. At this point I guess we have a couple things that we are thinking of for 2023. One is another Craft Fair. Date and location are still in working stages. Last year Craft fair went very well. We are also looking into reprinting the Eden Historical Book, which we have sold out of at this time. We are researching to see if there is a Grant available for this kind of project.

For people who do not know we have one acre lot and the value of the property is 106,050.00. We would like to have people come forward with ideas this summer and see if we can get the building ready for visitors. It is very hard with just a few people to accomplish anything. The Calendars seemed to be a good project for us but with businesses closing in town and not many left to put an ad on the calendar it seemed to be a problem. Feel free to contact our few members and give us some ideas.

Thank you for your continued support.

Eden Historical Society Members

## **EDEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

The Eden Congregational Church re-opened for monthly services on May 15, 2022 after being closed for two summers during the Covid-19 pandemic. Reverend James Bound officiated our services and Ann Marie Bahr provided our worship music. Each monthly service featured a different local musician to provide additional special music. We offered potluck luncheons following each Sunday service where we enjoyed some wonderful food and fellowship. It was really nice to be able to gather and visit again after such a long time of being unable to do so.

We hosted two fundraisers over the summer in order to raise money to replace the church's leaking roof. On July 16th, we held a 'Raise the Roof' concert featuring some very talented local musicians who generously donated their time and talent. On September 24th, we served up about 100 delicious Chicken Pie dinners with some wonderful homemade pies donated by members of our Eden Community. When the dinner was finished, we enjoyed yet another concert in the sanctuary by many of the same local musicians that performed in the July concert. This concert was a 'Tribute to Elvis' gospel concert and John Wilson provided the vocals. A very grateful 'Thank You' to all who participated in making these two fundraisers a huge success!

On September 26th, Mike Bean and his crew from Waterville started the very arduous task of removing two old layers of roofing materials from the church and replacing them with a brand new American Steel roof. The church's new roof should keep this historic building leak-free for many years to come. May God bless each and every one of you!

Eden Church Members