Library Awards Past Winners

Linda Baer Friend of the Year

Since the Friends of Berks County Public Libraries was established in 1980, they have worked tirelessly to support library endeavors across Berks County including the highly successful Berks Book Bonanza. Linda Baer, the driving force behind the Friends for as long as anyone can remember, served at the helm of the group as president for almost 20 years.

When health issues prompted Linda to step down in 2016, the Friends Board unanimously voted to establish an award in her honor to be given each year to a Friend of one of our Berks County public libraries. The Linda Baer Friend of the Year award serves to honor Linda's contributions in a lasting and significant way.

2016: Linda Suklje (Mifflin)

2017: Janet Keener (Hamburg)

2018: Dian S. Beamesderfer (Womelsdorf)

2019: Barbara Stolz (Kutztown)

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