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FUNDING DONATED FOR CHILDREN’S PROGRAMMING @ KML

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(Kent, Connecticut) –Last week one of KML’s volunteer treasures, Allan Priaulx, celebrated a special birthday. Allan turned 80 and his daughters, Sharmon and Beth, along with his best friend, Peter, honored him by presenting a year’s worth of children’s programming for Kent Memorial Library, in his name.

In response, Library Director, Sarah Marshall exclaimed, “Well this is just fabulous! How lovely for the Library and what a tribute to your Dad. He will be thrilled, I know it,” Marshall remarked to his daughter, Sharmon.

Allan has spent many years giving his time and expertise to the Kent Memorial Library. Most recently, he has been known as a “car guy.” The “car guys” are in charge of choosing a car and running a successful annual raffle throughout the summer as a major fundraiser for the Library. He was the president of the Kent Library Association Board of Directors from 2001 – 2006. He has also been spotted power washing the Library’s exterior on a number of occasions, along with other thoughtful, caring chores for the Library.

“I am simply overwhelmed by gratitude and love by this wonderful gift. When Sharmon and Beth were very little girls and we were just weekenders, it was always an adventure for them to climb the very precarious flight of stairs to get to what was then the children's library. Such fun, and it is terrific that now their gift helps continue serving the kids of Kent. Peter is the Godfather of Sharmon and Beth and has been in their lives since their infancy. He is, indeed, a best friend forever,” Priaulx acknowledged.

If you would like to honor a family member or friend, for any reason, birthday, graduation, in memory, new arrival, or any reason at all, the Library will put your gift to very good use. Go to our website and click on [tribute gift](#).

The Kent Memorial Library’s mission is to enrich the lives of individuals and the community by providing materials, programs, and services to encourage reading, learning and imagination. The Kent Memorial Library is located at 32 North Main Street, Kent, Connecticut, 860-927-3761. Visit kentmemoriallibrary.org for more information.

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