KML WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY, JUNE 23

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(Kent, Connecticut) – The Kent Memorial Library will be open for patrons to browse the collections, check in and check out materials, shop for gently used books, use the computers and enjoy the Library’s periodicals starting on Tuesday, June 23. **Patrons must make an appointment** in advance to use the Library, and appointments will be for 45 minutes starting every hour from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (with a short option at 5:00 p.m.). Appointments can be made by phone or email, and you can start reserving those appointments Thursday, June 18th. Programs will still be held online, not in person.

KML will continue with Curbside pick-up for those who do not want to enter. There will be no in-house Library events until the Governor takes Connecticut to the next phase. Even then, many events will continue to be offered virtually.

“The Governor has given us some good guidelines about opening libraries that include installation of plexiglass barriers, spacing of furniture and computer terminals, setting occupancy levels, and more. We’re ready to open safely,” remarks Library Director Sarah Marshall.

The book drop is open and will be checked frequently for anyone who would prefer not to enter. Patrons can place holds on their accounts online, or by calling or eMailing the Library. C-Car is available so people will be able to request from other Libraries. To see what new materials the Library has, sign up for **Wowbrary**. Patrons may search the collection, there, too.

Although the annual book sale will not open outside this summer, the Library is taking book sale donations. A phone call in advance is requested. Books are accepted only during open hours.

Beginning on Tuesday, Kent Memorial Library open hours will be: Monday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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. All Children’s programming for 2020 is sponsored by a generous gift in honor of Allan Priaulx. 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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