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Headline: Deer Meadow Elementary School Library receives endowment

The Putnam County Community Foundation announced the establishment of the Sherrie Walton Holley Endowment for Deer Meadow Library. The Endowment will help purchase books and other library materials for Deer Meadow Elementary School Library. “Establishing this endowment is very important to our family,” said Elnora Walton, co-founder of the Endowment.

The Endowment will provide much needed support for the elementary school library. “Financial uncertainty in the public school system endangers many of the programs and services we have come to expect from our public schools,” said Gwen Morris, Principal of Deer Meadow. “We are so grateful to the Walton family for recognizing our need and being willing to help in such a meaningful way.”

Private schools and public colleges and universities have long recognized the importance of obtaining support from alumni and others if they are to continue to advance and excel. Elaine Peck, Executive Director of the Putnam County Community Foundation, stated that she is encouraging others to take similar action to preserve and enhance county schools.

Sherrie Walton Holley, worked in all three Greencastle elementary school libraries until she passed away in 1998. She left behind two children, Byron and Samantha Holley, her sister, Julie Carr, and her parents, Aud and Elnora Walton.

Anyone may contribute to the Endowment to support the Deer Meadow Library or memorialize Sherrie. Community Foundation staff are available to help donors make gifts of cash, stock, retirement assets, life insurance, bequests, real estate and other types of gifts to the Endowment. The Community Foundation administers more than 180 funds for donors, supporting a variety of charitable purposes. To learn more about this new fund, how to make a contribution, or how to start a new fund, visit www.pcfoundation.org or contact Eric Wolfe or Elaine Peck at 765-653-4978.

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