January, February, March 2023 Keyna Ward, Editor

Remember, there is no such thing as a small act of kindness. Every act creates a ripple with no logical end. Scott Adams

CAMELLIA SALE AND BREAKFAST 2023

Join the Melrose Library Association for their 2023 Camellia sale and breakfast on January 28, 2023 at Trinity Episcopal Church parish hall in Melrose. Hours for this event are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The beautiful Camellias for sale will come from Loch Laurel Nursery owned by Mark Crawford. The plants will cost \$30.00 each with a portion of each sale going back to the MLA. While at the sale, enjoy a delicious breakfast buffet for just \$7.00 per plate. You will be able to choose from breakfast casseroles, homemade pastries and biscuits and gravy, along with coffee, tea and



juice. Enjoy shopping at our MLA gift table and at our tables of used books. The proceeds from the Camellia sale and breakfast will be used to further improve your Melrose Library and for programs that run throughout the year. See you there!

ONE BOOK, ONE PUTNAM

The 2023 selection for One book, One Putnam is Red Burning Sky by Tom Young. A powerfully authentic and thrilling saga, *Red Burning Sky* is a riveting and ultimately triumphant military thriller based on true events, all the more remarkable for being so little known—until now. A novel based on the true story of Operation Halyard, WWII's most daring and successful rescue mission, from air combat veteran and acclaimed author Tom Young. Copies of this book are available at the Putnam County libraries. You can search the library catalog at funinputnam.com and have

your copy sent to the Melrose Library if no copies are available at Melrose.

TAX PREPARATION FOR 2023

It's that time of year again.... Do you need help preparing your Federal Income Tax before the April 15 deadline? Mr. Ken Sterling will be available starting January 25 and each Wednesday and Thursday thereafter into April to answer your questions and help with your tax prep. You should call for an appointment to be able to meet with him at the library. Mr. Sterling's number is 904.614.6688.



MELROSE LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

New year, new titles for the Melrose Library Book Club. The group meets the third Friday of each month at the Melrose Library. The selection for January is the One Book, One Putnam novel *Red Burning Sky* by Tom Young. This book will be discussed on January 20 at 10:30. The February selection to be discussed on February 17 is *The Barefoot Mailman* by Theodore Pratt. On March 17th and April 21st, *Shadow Country* by Peter Matthiessen will be discussed. Watch this newsletter for future titles.

WELAKA SOCK DRIVE PRESENTATION

Congratulations to the Melrose Library Community for donating the most socks during the Welaka Sock Drive sponsored by the Welaka Sling Shot Club. Pictured, at left are Melissa Clemons of the Welaka Sling Shot Club presenting a plaque to Lynette Soto, Melrose branch manager for the community's achievement. Thank you to everyone

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesdays	Story Time for ages 0 - 5	10:30 a.m.
January 5 & 19	Movie Time	3:30 p.m.
January 12	Game Time	3:30 p.m.
January 20	Book Club (Red Burning Sky)	10:30 a.m.
January 25	First day of Tax Prep w/Mr. Sterling	ALL DAY
January 26	Bingo for Books	3:30 p.m.
February 2 & 16	Game Time	3:30 p.m.
February 9 & 23	Movie Time	3:30 p.m.
February 17	Book Club (The Barefoot Mailman)	10:30 a.m.
March 2, 16, 30	Game Time	3:30 p.m.
March 9 & 23	Movie Time	3:30 p.m.

Book Club (Shadow Country)



10:30 a.m.

DONATIONS TO THE MLA 2023

The Melrose Library Association continues to work to improve our library and community. Donations to the MLA will help us to continue this work. Please consider donating to the general fund or building fund. Send your donation, made payable to the Melrose Library Association to P.O. Box 54, Melrose, FL 32666 Thank you!

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