April, May, June 2023



Keyna Ward, Editor

"Care about decency and humanity and kindness. Kindness, today, is an act of rebellion." Pink

SPRING USED BOOK SALE

Mark your calendars for the MLA spring book sale, April 11 - 15 (Tuesday through Saturday) during normal library hours. Enjoy browsing the many tables containing fiction, non fiction, and children's books. You'll be sure to come away with treasures when you fill bags for just \$2.00 each bag! See you there!





FYI****FYI****FYI

The Melrose Public Library is tentatively scheduled for new flooring installation in late April and early May. It will remain open with limited service during the project. Call the library for the latest updete at 352-475-1237. We appreciate your patience during this project as your library is updated.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM BEGINS IN JUNE

The theme for the 2023 summer reading program is "All Together Now." The kickoff for the Melrose Public Library will be June 3rd. Come out for activities and snacks from 10 a.m. to noon. Each week children will have the opportunity to do crafts with a theme. There will be crafts for children age 0-5 as well as ages 6-11. Below is the list of themes for each week:



June 6-10: Perseverance June 13 - 17: Unity and Friendship June 18-22: Individuality & Diversity June 20-24: Compassion June 27-July 1: Courage July 4-8: Helping July 11-15: Judging Others' Appearance July 25-29: Manners



MELROSE LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

The Melrose Book Club meets the third Friday of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the library. The upcoming titles are as follows:



March & April: Shadow Country by Peter Matthiessen

May: The Kennedy Detail by Gerald Blaine

June: The Lost Boys of Montauk by Amanda Fairbanks

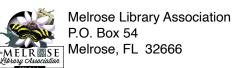
SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) MEDICARE

Free, unbiased and confidential Medicare counseling is available at the library on the first Wednesday of the month from 10 a.m. to noon. Walk-ins are welcome. Topics of discussion are annual Medicare plan review, Medicare eligibility and enrollment, Medicare health and drug plan choices, Medigap (supplement) plan, financial assistance programs and Medicare fraud prevention. Contact the library for details or call the Elder Helpline at 800-262-2243. Here are the dates this service will be available at the Melrose Library: April 5, June 7, July 5, August 2, September 6, and October 4, 2023.

THANK YOU!

Our 2023 Camellia Sale and Breakfast was a wonderful success. The MLA would like to thank our amazing Melrose community for their support. You bought the 154 Camellia plants in about an hour and half. You also enjoyed our homemade breakfasts, gift table and book sale. We look forward to bringing you more beautiful Camellias in 2024. Watch for more information in the coming months.





CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesdays April 5 April 6 April 11 - 15 April 13 April 18	Story Time for ages 0-5 SHINE Medicare in person counseling Bingo for books (Children and adults) Used Book Sale Norma Game time Read with trees	10:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m. I Library Hours 3:30 p.m. 10:30 a.m.
April 18	Read with Trees	10:30 a.m.
April 20	Fire Truck Tour	3:30 p.m.
April 21	Book Club: <i>Shadow Country</i> (2nd half) by Peter Matthiessen	10:30 a.m.
April 27	Game Time	3:30 p.m.
May 4	Game Time	3:30 p.m.
May 11	Game Time	3:30 p.m.
May 18	Game Time	3:30 p.m.
May 19	Book Club: The Kennedy Detail	
	by Gerald Blaine 1	10:30 a.m.
May 25	Game Time	3:30 p.m.
June 3	Melrose Kick off of Summer Reading	10:00 a.m.
June 6	Perseverance craft, Ages 0-5	10:30 a.m.
June 7	SHINE Medicare in person counseling	10:30 a.m.
June 8	Perseverance craft, Ages 6-11	10:30 a.m.
June 13	Unity and Friendship craft, Ages 0-5	10:30 a.m.
June 15	Unity and Friendship craft, Ages 6-11	10:30 a.m.
June 16	Book Club: <i>The Lost boys of Montauk</i> by Amanda Fairbanks	10:30 a.m.
June 20	Individuality & Diversity craft Ages 0-5	10:30 a.m.
June 22	Individuality & Diversity craft, Ages 6-11	10:30 a.m.
June 27	Compassion craft, Ages 0-5	10:30 a.m.
June 27	Plants presentation w/ Julio Perez	5 p.m.
June 29	Compassion craft, Ages 6-11	10:30 a.m.



If you have any questions about these and other events at the library, please call the Melrose Public Library at 352-475-1237.

TAX PREPARATION FOR 2023

Do you need help preparing your Federal Income Tax before the April 18 deadline? Mr. Ken Sterling will be available until April 13th, each Wednesday and Thursday 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.



