

October,  
November,  
December 2023



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Wrinkles will only go where the smiles have been. Jimmy Buffett

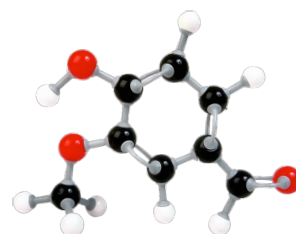
## HEAR YE! HEAR YE! COME ONE, COME ALL



The fall used book sale presented by the Melrose Library Association at the Melrose Public Library is coming! The dates for the sale are November 7,8,9,11, 2023. The library will be closed on November 10 in observance of Veteran's Day. There are many fiction and non fiction treasures waiting to be discovered. The book sale will be held during normal library hours each day. Come out to search the many tables of books to find something wonderful. Proceeds from the sale benefit the Melrose Public Library projects and programs. REMEMBER, November 7,8,9,11, 2023 during normal library hours will be your chance to purchase used books and support your library.

## SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, ART AND MATH (S.T.E.A.M.) ROOM ON THE HORIZON!!

Through funding from a Clay Electric Grant and your generous donations, the next phase of upgrading the Melrose Public Library is about to begin. On September 12th, 2023 the Putnam County Board of County Commissioners gave the MLA the go ahead to start working on the renovations of the current old meeting room. New cabinetry will be installed along with a counter, sink, and plumbing so that there will be running water for projects.



More electric outlets, new ceiling fans and lighting will also be put into the room.

This room will continue to be used as another conference room, as well as a STEAM room.



You might ask what is STEAM or STEM? STEM aims to equip learners with "future-ready" and practical skills by focusing on the teaching of science, technology, engineering and math. STEAM can also equip learners with these skills, but additionally fosters a love of creativity and imagination by bringing arts into the equation. This room will be a great addition to our wonderful library.

## BOG GARDENING & CARNIVOROUS PLANTS

Julio Perez will be at the library on Tuesday, October 31 from 6 - 7 p.m. with another fascinating presentation. Many different plants grow in bogs. Some of the most unusual are the carnivorous plants. In this learning workshop, we will learn how to select and grow the easiest carnivorous plants at home, how to make a bog garden/planter and some companion plants the can grow with them. This presentation will be preceded by a plant clinic from 5:00 - 6:00. Bring your plant questions and problems with you.



## MELROSE LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

The Melrose Library book club will continue through year end. The book club meets the third Friday of each month at 10:30 a.m. Below are the upcoming titles to be discussed. Contact the library at 352-475-1237 to reserve your copy.

October 20th: *While the Gods Were Sleeping* by Elizabeth Enslin  
November 17th: *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemmingway  
December 15th: Titles for 2024 will be chosen





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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesdays	Story Time ages 0-5	10:30 a.m.
October 5	Movie Time	3:30 p.m.
October 12	Police Car Tour	3:30 p.m.
October 18	Medicare Shine In-person Counseling	10:00 a.m.
October 19	Game Time	3:30 p.m.
October 20	Book Club	
	<i>While the Gods Were Sleeping</i> by Elizabeth Enslin	10:30 a.m.
October 26	Fire Truck Tour	3:30 p.m.
October 31	Arborist Julio Perez	
	Bog Gardening and Carnivorous Plants	5:00 p.m.
November 1	Medicare Shine In-Person Counseling	10:00 a.m.
November 9	Tow Truck Tour	3:30 p.m.
November 10	Closed for Veteran’s Day	
November 7,8,9,11	MLA used sale	normal library hours
November 17	Book Club	
	<i>The Sun Also Rises</i> by Ernest Hemmingway	10:30 a.m.
November 21	Under The Porch Singers	10:30 a.m.
November 23 & 24	Closed for Thanksgiving	
December 15	Book Club: Titles for 2024 selected	10:30 a.m.
December 19	Under The Porch Singers	10:30 a.m.

For more information regarding programs at the library call 352-475-1237.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE CAMELLIA SALE AND BREAKFAST 2024



Mark your calendars for the Melrose Library Association 2024 Camellia sale and breakfast on February 10, 2024 at Trinity Episcopal Church parish hall in Melrose. The sale and breakfast will begin at 9 a.m. The beautiful Camellias for sale will come from Loch Laurel Nursery, owned by Mark Crawford. While at the sale, enjoy a delicious breakfast buffet. 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. Watch for more information in the next newsletter.

Reading shaped my dreams, and more reading helped me make my dreams come true.  
— Ruth Bader Ginsburg

