

# Headstart and Morgan team up for dental health

The local Boys and Girls Club of North Central Florida (BGCNCF) extended a "HUGE shout-out" to Morgan Family Dentistry staff for recently volunteering their time and services to community children. Dr. D'Anna, Christy Hendry and Ashton Johnson with Morgan Family Dentistry provided dental screenings for local Head Start children. "We appreciate you guys so much!" Meredith Anderson of the BGCNCF said. "We would also like to thank Lori Longerbeam with Liberty Dental for volunteering to present all about dental health and providing a dental health goody bag to all of our children," Anderson added.



## BBH enhances Diversity and Inclusion Program

Submitted by Big Bend Hospice

Dr. Lenny Marshall has been named Big Bend Hospice's (BBH) Director of Diversity and Inclusion. Marshall joined BBH in 2008 and has served as Manager of Spiritual Care Services since 2016. As BBH's Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Marshall will oversee the development and implementation of programs and services that promote diversity within the organization.

He will create new initiatives that will effectively increase diversity in those receiving hospice care.

Marshall will also enhance the internal training and assist employees to embrace and understand the different perspectives minority groups face when dealing with an advanced illness. This group includes, but is not limited to: African American, Hispanic, Asian, Jewish and LBGTQ.

Marshall is a Gulf War Veteran and received a degree in Social Work from dual work at Florida State University and Florida A & M University through an ROTC scholarship.

He obtained a Master of Divinity from the Interdenominational Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Georgia, and later

pursued a doctorate degree in Family and Marriage Therapy from Amridge University in Montgomery, Alabama.

"I am proud of the exemplary job Dr. Marshall has done over the years keeping diversity and inclusion in the forefront of our working environment," said Bill Wertman, BBH CEO. "He will now have the opportunity to continue his work of engaging staff and community in this enhanced role."

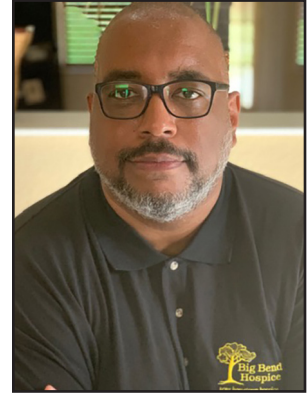
In the fall of 2015 BBH began a focused effort as an organization to confront issues surrounding diversity, race, inclusion and privilege.

At that time, Marshall worked with other members of the Action Committee for Diversity and Inclusion (ACDI) to create an educational component that could be utilized for the purpose of dialogue and awareness with staff.

Marshall was part of the team who established the Gadsden County Spiritual Leadership Council in 2016.

The mission of the council was to find avenues and opportunities to provide hospice education to minorities in faith-based organizations, including churches.

In November 2019, BBH completed their accreditation for the



Dr. Lenny Marshall National Institute for Jewish Hospice Services.

The achievement helps guide staff to serve Jewish patients in a culturally sensitive way providing greater patient/family satisfaction.

Equal justice, diversity, and inclusion have always been a driving force for Marshall. He has served and continues to serve on various community boards and has educational credits in the area of mediation, communication, cultural competency and consensus building.

"During this time in my career of ongoing change and excitement, I am humbly grateful to BBH for the opportunity to further expand my role in the area of proactive equality and inclusion," Marshall said.

"I look forward to continuing the legacy of BBH in being a champion of peace, fairness and love for all of humanity."

## Walker inspires young readers

Mayo resident and author Delores Leggett Walker visited Ms. Jean Williams' fourth-grade class at Lighthouse Christian School Monday, September 21, to share the process of writing books and the enjoyment of having others read your books.

Walker, with the able help of her great-grandson, Sawyer Zipperer, gave the students a brief summary of creating a readable story and then opened the floor for a question and answer session.

"The students were studying writing and were ready for our visit with well-thought out questions about developing stories and preparing them for publication. It was a delight to share a common interest with this group of bright students," Walker said.

Walker is a member of Writers INK, a

local writing group that began in 2013 by Jonnie Whittington and Walker that meets each Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Lafayette County Public Library in Mayo.

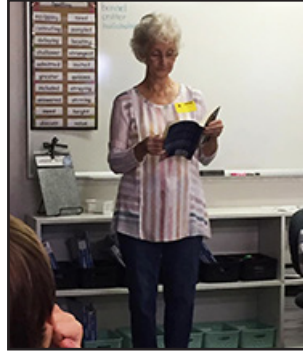
The group is composed of several independent published authors and writers in the process of publishing their first book who meet to help each other learn more about writing, editing, cover design and uploading their finished manuscripts to Kindle Direct Publishing (KDP) for printing.

Anyone who loves to read or who is interested in publishing their own stories are welcome to meet with Writers INK.

For more information about Writers INK, or inviting Delores Leggett Walker to speak, can email her at edmwalk@windstream.net.



Local author Delores Leggett Walker read the students a few lines from one of her books, and her great-grandson Sawyer Zipperer helped her present the books to the class.



## LEGALS

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prefabricadas, modulares y casas móviles afectadas por el huracán Michael.

- Asistencia de vivienda temporal basada en las necesidades individuales del propietario y su participación en el Programa de Reparación y Reemplazo de Vivienda.

- Asistencia de vivienda temporal basada en las necesidades individuales de los inquilinos y su participación en el Programa de Reparación y Reemplazo de Viviendas.

DEO ha determinado que las actividades propuestas en la Estrategia no Especificada de Sitio están categóricamente excluidas bajo los reglamentos de HUD en el 24 CFR Parte 58 de los requisitos de la Ley Nacional de Política Ambiental de 1969 (NEPA por sus siglas en inglés). Según los sitios elegibles sean localizados, se completará una lista específica para cada sitio antes de comprometer los fondos para cada unidad. La información adicional del proyecto está contenida en el Registro de Revisión Ambiental (ERR por sus siglas en inglés), que documenta las determinaciones ambientales para este proyecto. El ERR será disponible al público para revisar según sea pedido, ya sea electrónicamente o por el correo de Estados Unidos. Envíe su solicitud por correo electrónico a: HurricaneMichael@deo.myflorida.com o por correo postal a: Attention: Rebuild Florida Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Office of Disaster Recovery 107 E. Madison St. MSC-400 Tallahassee, Florida 32399

**COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS**  
Cualquier persona, grupo o agencia puede enviar comentarios por escrito sobre el ERR a HurricaneMichael@deo.myflorida.com o por correo postal a la dirección mencionada anteriormente. Todos los comentarios recibidos antes del 9 de octubre de 2020 los considerará DEO antes de presentar la Solicitud de Lanzamiento de Fondos.

**CERTIFICACIÓN AMBIENTAL**  
DEO certifica a HUD que Reginald

Dixon, en su capacidad de Director de la Oficina de Recuperación de Desastres de DEO, consienta aceptar la jurisdicción de los tribunales federales si se presenta una acción para enforzar las responsabilidades en relación con el proceso de revisión ambiental y que estas responsabilidades se han cumplidas. La aprobación de la certificación por parte del HUD satisface sus responsabilidades en virtud de NEPA y de las leyes y autoridades conexas y permite a DEO utilizar los fondos del programa.

**OBJECIONES EL LANZAMIENTO DE FONDOS**  
HUD aceptará las objeciones de su lanzamiento de fondos y a la certificación de DEO durante un período de 15 días a partir de la fecha de presentación prevista o de la fecha actual de recibo de la solicitud (lo que más tarde ocurra) si están en una de las siguientes bases: (a) el Oficial Certificador de DEO no ejecutó la certificación; (b) DEO ha omitido un paso o no ha tomado una decisión de determinación requerida por los reglamentos de HUD bajo el 24 CFR, parte 58; (c) el beneficiario de la subvención u otros participantes en el proceso de desarrollo han comprometido los fondos, incurrido en costos o emprendido actividades no autorizadas por 24 CFR Parte 58 antes de la aprobación del lanzamiento de fondos por parte del HUD; o (d) otra agencia federal que actúe de conformidad con el artículo 40 CFR 1504 haya presentado por escrito una conclusión de que el proyecto no es satisfactorio desde el punto de vista de la calidad ambiental. Las objeciones deben prepararse y enviarse por correo electrónico de acuerdo con los procedimientos requeridos (24 CFR Parte 58, Sec. 58.76) y se dirigirán a HUD en la Oficina de Planificación y Desarrollo Comunitario en kenneth.m.pinnix@hud.gov. Los posibles objetores deben ponerse en contacto con el DEO por correo electrónico a HurricaneMichael@deo.myflorida.com para verificar el último día actual del período de objeción.

Reginald Dixon, Director Departamento de Oportunidades

Económicas de Florida Oficina de Recuperación de Desastres

### FLORIDA PACE FUNDING AGENCY NOTICE OF INTENT TO USE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Florida PACE Funding Agency, a public body corporate and politic, (the "Agency"), hereby provides notice, pursuant to Sections 163.08(2), (3) and (4) and 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem assessments for more than one year to be levied within the area encompassed by the boundaries of every county in Florida, or any of the municipalities therein, subscribing to or served by the Agency's statewide provision of funding and financing to construct or pay for energy conservation and efficiency improvements, renewable energy improvements and wind resistance improvements in accordance with Section 163.08, Florida Statutes (collectively, the "Qualifying Improvements"). By law and resolution of the Agency, a property owner may apply to the Agency for funding and financing of a Qualifying Improvement. The non-ad valorem assessments contemplated by this notice are voluntary and are only imposed by the Agency with the prior written consent authorized by or on behalf of affected property owners who determine to obtain financing for Qualifying Improvements from the Agency. The Agency is authorized by law to fund and finance Qualifying Improvements and is required to annually collect repayment by non-ad valorem assessments. The Board will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments as authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 1:00 p.m. EST, November 10, 2020, the Airport Board Room, Kissimmee Gateway Airport Administrative Offices, 401 Dyer Boulevard,

Kissimmee, Florida or at such date and time via teleconferencing in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 20-69 as amended or supplemented. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the boundaries of the real property that may be subject to the levy - which is the entirety of the State of Florida. Copies of the proposed form of resolution are on file at the office of Counterpointe Energy Solutions (FL) LLC, Third Party Administrator for the Florida PACE Funding Agency, 2600 Maitland Center Parkway, Suite 163, Maitland, Florida 32751, email: gov@counterpointees.com. All interested persons are invited to present oral comments at the public hearing and/or submit written comments to the Board at the above address. Written comments should be received by the Agency on or before November 3, 2020. Any persons desiring to present oral comments should appear at the public hearing. In the event any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Agency with respect to any matter related to the consideration of the resolution at the above-mentioned public hearing, a record of the proceeding may be needed and in such an event, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the public hearing is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is to be based. Any person requiring a special accommodation at this meeting due to disability or physical impairment or need for an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the Agency at 850-400-PACE (7223) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. If hearing impaired, Florida Relay Service numbers for assistance are (800) 955-8771 (tdd) or (800) 955-8770 (voice).

By Order of the Board of Directors of the Florida PACE Funding Agency on July 31, 2020.

### NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

The Taylor County Board of County Commissioners, in conformance with the Consultants' Competitive

Negotiations Act (CCNA), Florida Statutes §287.055, et seq. and the policies and procedures of Taylor County is soliciting sealed statements of qualifications from qualified professional engineering firms that are interested in providing engineering services for coastal dredging projects that require studies, design, plan production, and construction inspection/management services. Qualified firms or individuals desiring to provide the required products or services must submit five (5) packages in a sealed envelope or similar package marked "Sealed SOQ for Engineering Services - Taylor County Coastal Dredging" to the Clerk of Court, 1stFloor Courthouse, 108 North Jefferson Street, Suite 102, Perry, Florida 32347, to arrive no later than 4:00 P.M., local time, on Friday October 30, 2020. All SOQs MUST have the respondent's name and mailing address clearly shown on the outside of the envelope or package when submitted. SOQs will be opened and respondents announced at 6:00 P.M. local time, on Monday November 2, 2020, in the Taylor County Administrative Complex, 201 East Green Street, Perry, Florida 32347. SOQ information MUST be obtained on-line from the Taylor County web site at the following address: [http://www.taylorcountygov.com/government/county\\_bids/index.php](http://www.taylorcountygov.com/government/county_bids/index.php). The County reserves the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to reject any or all SOQs, to cancel or withdraw this solicitation at any time and waive any irregularities in the RFQ process. The County reserves the right to award any contract to the respondent which it deems to offer the best overall service. The County, in its sole and absolute discretion, also reserves the right to waive any minor defects in the process and to accept the proposal deemed to be in the County's best interest. No faxed SOQs will be accepted. Additional information may be obtained from: Taylor County Engineering Department 201 East Green Street Perry, FL 32347 (850) 838-3500, Ext 4.

### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No. 2020-388- CP

In Re: Estate of JERRY MIRE ALFORD, Deceased.  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
The administration of the estate of JERRY MIRE ALFORD, deceased, whose date of death was July 27, 2020; File Number 2020-388-CP is pending in the Circuit Court for Taylor County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Post Office Box 620, Perry, Florida 32348. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's Attorney are set forth below.  
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice has been served, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE TIME OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.  
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.  
ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.  
NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.  
The date of first publication of this notice is: Sept. 30, 2020.  
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