

# It's about time!

## A carefree condominium at Belleview Place frees up time to enjoy life

**W**ith vacation homes in North Carolina and Georgia, plus a large residence on the Pinellas County waterfront, Fran Everett said she's bogged down in home maintenance.

It's not uncommon, she explained, for four or five workers to encroach on her retirement life every week: "I don't feel free to leave my home, even with the security system. It's ridiculous. I decided it was time to do what I want to do" — to find a home that gives her more freedom.

Mrs. Everett found her liberating solution in early 2015 while visiting Belleair Country Club, where she frequently dines and plays bridge. The club is directly across from Belleview Place, a new community of 104 condominium and 28 carriage homes by JMC Communities that was then undergoing site planning.

She said she could see the value from the beginning. "It's well known that what JMC builds is such good quality, like Sandpearl and Belle Harbor (Clearwater Beach). And I've visited friends in the Meridian and The Grande (Sand Key), so I know their work," she said.

"I feel comfortable that the finished product will be of high quality — sight unseen. You wouldn't do that with just any builder," she said.

The community is now rising on the site of the historic Belleview Biltmore Hotel in the secluded and stylish community of Belleair. Mrs. Everett purchased a three-bedroom, two-and-a-half bath corner condominium home with two terraces, which, she said, "will give me beautiful views of the water over the golf course."

Ultimately, "It was very much a business decision," she said. "It costs me three times as much for exterior maintenance and insurance here as it will at Belleview Place. That's not counting the inside!"

At her doorstep will be the Belleview Inn, a multimillion-dollar renovation of the main lobby and guest rooms of the historic hotel, with original materials and embellishments, including Tiffany glass. The community pool is adjacent to the Inn, and residents may use its fitness center and events facilities.

"It will be such a wonderful place to share with guests," said Mrs. Everett, "some place you can have them close by and offer them all the privacy they want."

Belleview Place's first building is scheduled for completion in early 2018 — another plus for Mrs. Everett: "It gives me plenty of time to get everything done: sell my house, sort out my things and organize my life."

It seems she is not merely buying a fabulous new home; she's truly buying time to enjoy as she pleases.

*Belleview Place, 275 Belleview Boulevard, Belleair, Florida 33756; [belleviewplace.com](http://belleviewplace.com); 727-469-7070. Condominium and carriage homes from the mid-\$600s to \$1.7 million.*