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A Brief History of Time...at Dolphin Cay



UNDEVELOPED BOCA CIEGA BAY IN THE DISTANCE - FROM A VINTAGE POST CARD)

By: CYNTHIA FURLONG REYNOLDS ABBREVIATED VERSION Originally published August 27, 1994

"The first time I saw the beach, it was covered in broken glass with a rusted-out Volkswagen and a junked refrigerator," says John Bussey, vice president of construction for JMC, the locally owned company that is developing Dolphin Cay.

There will be a 10-acre centerpiece park and a 24-acre wildlife preserve with nature trails and observation platforms. Only 19 percent of the 88 acres will be developed; the rest will be left for residents; human, animal and plant to enjoy.

JMC's commitment to environmentally friendly landscaping has earned Dolphin Cay several awards: the Florida Native Plant Society's "Design with Natives Grand Prize;" a first-place award for environmental excellence from the Pinellas Economic Development Council; and St. Petersburg's City Beautiful Award.

Two and a half years ago (prior), when Bob Harrison was appointed landscape maintenance supervisor for Dolphin Cay, he had nothing to supervise but a beach that had served generations of local teens as a hangout, a forest of rampant Brazilian pepper trees and lots of bare dirt rutted with offroad vehicle tracks. "It was the biggest challenge I ever faced professionally."

For 14 years, Harrison owned his own landscape company in California, serving clients such as Jane Fonda, for whom he maintained a vine-covered beachfront yard. He was working in Texas when his brother Bill, foreman of the building crew at Dolphin Cay, talked him into coming here.

Harrison and his crew of four have planted 909 trees (695 of them native to this part of Florida), 6,090 bushes and shrubs (2,630 of them natives), 8,095 mitigation plants for beach and wetlands renourishment (of which all but the buttonwood and railroad vine are natives), plus acres and acres of Bermuda grass and FX-10, a new, drought-tolerant and pest-resistant variety of St. Augustine grass.

When non-natives were used, they tried to make sure they were species that at least are familiar in tropical and subtropical climates: hibiscus; jasmine; coconuts; a wide variety of palms; weeping willows; royal poincianas; guavas and orchids.

When he arrived in 1992, Harrison's first job was to redesign the entrance to Dolphin Cay. The expensive royal palms there were dying, thanks to the overuse of reclaimed water.

Harrison removed the irrigation system in the entranceway, planted new palms, removed the annuals and replaced them with lantana, a native, drought-tolerant perennial. The changes saved considerable amounts of money, time and water.

"We uprooted millions of non native Brazilian pepper plants; forests of them, 25 acres of them," Harrison says. "That was a dirty, hot, back-breaking job." But because of the pepper plants' incredible root and self-propagation systems, the job had to be repeated three times before almost all had disappeared. Pepper-busting is an ongoing task. "We are committed to doing nothing that will harm the environment; whether it's planting an invasive plant or pouring pesticides and fungicides on the grounds," Harrison says. Landscape management at Dolphin Cay will be a continuing job, Bussey acknowledges.

Plantings at Dolphin Cay as of the writing of this article (1994)

Native trees Florida royal palm (Roystonea elata) Sabal palm/cabbage palm (Sabal palmetto) Queen palm (Syagrus romanzoffiana) Pygmy date palm (Phoenix roebelenii) Live oak (Quercus virginiana) Southern red cedar (Juniperus silicicola) Slash pine (Pinus elliottii) Native shrubs and ground covers Indian hawthorn (Raphiolepis indica) Crinum lily (Crinum asiaticum) Fakahatchee grass (Tripsacum dactyloides) Dwarf Fakahatchee grass (Tripsacum floridana) Sweet viburnum (Viburnum odoratissum) Fountain grass (Pennisetum setaceum) Sea grape (Cocoloba uvifera) Leather fern (Acrostichum danaeifolium) Beach naupaka (Scaevola frutescens) Firecracker plant Beach naupaka (Scaevola frutescens) Firecracker plant (Russelia equisetiformis) Native mitigation plants Sea oats (Uniola paniculata) Beach sunflower (Helianthus debilis) Salt bush (Baccharris halimifolia) White mangrove (Laguncularia racemosa) Red mangrove (Rhizophora mangle)

CIBO by the Cay *



BREAKFAST, BRUNCH, LUNCH

1. STELLA

2914 Beach Blvd South, Gulfport(727) 498-89507:00 AM to 2:00 PM Open EverydaySouthern inspired comfort eats in a homey, outdoor settingBreakfast and Lunch - No reservations accepted

2. MAMA PEARLS

5004 Tangerine Avenue South, Gulfport
(330) 240-3012
8:00 AM to 1:00 PM Wednesday to Friday
8:00 AM to 2:00 PM Saturday and Sunday
Closed Monday and Tuesday
Reservations accepted
Recently spotlighted on Good Day Tampa Bay
Offers breakfast sandwiches, buffet style breakfast and special desert
breads. Now open for lunch!

3. CAFE SOLEIL

5501 Gulf Blvd, St. Pete Beach
(727) 800-2970
8:00 AM to 3:00 PM Open Everyday
French Bakery in new location
Listed in Yelps Top 100 places to eat in Florida for fifth year in a row
Breakfast, coffee, eggs, quiche, sandwiches
No reservations accepted

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4. SEAHORSE

800 Pass a Grille Way, Pass a Grille Beach
(727) 360-1734
8:00 AM to 2:30 PM Wednesday to Monday,
CLOSED TUESDAY
Long running restaurant serving Southern Style breakfast and lunch since 1938.
No reservations accepted

5. LOTTIE AT THE VINOY

501 5th Avenue NE, St. Petersburg
(727) 894-1000
6:00 AM to 8:00 PM Open Everyday
Elegant French patisserie serving sweet treats, homemade pastries, and expertly crafted coffee in the renovated Vinoy hotel
No reservations accepted

6. CASA DEL PANE

7110 Gulf Blvd, St. Pete Beach
(727) 367-8322
8:00 AM to 3:00 PM Tuesday to Sunday
Closed Monday
Italian bakeshop with patio, featuring coffee, cappuccino, expresso, pizza, cafe fare and Italian pastries - No reservations accepted

7. PARADECO COFFEE ROASTERS

111 2nd Avenue NE, St. Petersburg
(727) 222-6458
7:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday to Thursday
7:00 AM to 6:00 PM Friday
8:00 AM to 6:00 PM Saturday and Sunday
Quality roasted coffee, expresso and matcha, teas, smoothies, baked goods and sandwiches.

8. UPTOWN EATS

689 Dr. Martin Luther King Street N. St. Petersburg
(727) 810-3287
7:00 AM to 2:00 PM Wednesday to Friday
8:00 AM ton 2:00 PM Saturday and Sunday
7:00 AM to 12:00 Noon Monday
Closed Tuesday
Breakfast and Lunch made fresh in house with St. Pete soul. Locally roasted coffee, homemade pastries, savory sandwiches and breakfast bites
No reservations accepted.

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Musicians Among Us

While music is a universal language, for two of our Dominica residents, music is very personal. By Nancy R.



Rhonda believes a home is not a home without a piano. She grew up in a musical family and at age 5 began "tickling the ivories". After majoring in music in college she continued her love for the piano and also occasionally plays the guitar. Although her love is classical music, she sings in her synagogue choir and often orchestrates a music soiree in her home, inviting many local musicians.

Music is the very essence of who Rhonda is. It is her special way of sharing love and memories with other people. This passion and pride can be seen in her smile as she stands next to her magnificent piano. Her love of music can be felt when you are with her and can be seen surrounding her.

Jon can often be seen and heard strumming out chords, fingerstyle, on his front entry or balcony. For Jon, music and his bass guitar are all about discovery. He chose his acrylic guitar because of the mellow tone and deeper sound.

As children, Jon and his brother would escape to the barn and teach themselves to play an instrument. Jon chose the bass guitar while his brother chose the drums. They would listen to songs and arrangements of music and create music together. Today he is still intrigued by the discovery. He discloses, "It's about asking yourself questions and trying to discover the answer".



Everyone has a song in their heart. For Rhonda and Jon it goes much deeper than that. As Plato once said, "Music gives soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything"!

Transportation Options

Here is a listing of transportation alternatives near us

- Cross Bay Ferry (Between St. Pete Pier and Tampa) Operating Wednesday to Sunday in season \$24 Round Trip Adults \$22 Round Trip Seniors Check website for schedule
- Pinellas Bayway Commuter Pass \$50 per year allows unlimited access through all three Pinellas Bayway toll plazas 1-800- TOLL-FLA or Visit the Pinellas Bayway Sunpass Customer Service Center at 4501 54th Avenue South 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM Monday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Tuesday to Friday
- 3. SunRunner Bus Line (Between downtown St. Pete and St Pete Beach)

Runs on 1st Ave South and 1st Ave North

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Library Resources



We have many amenities to appreciate at Dolphin Cay. We have beautiful trees, foliage, walking paths and ducks. Boy, do we have ducks! One of our other treasures that all of us should enjoy is our Library!

The library, located by the lake and the casino is staffed by amazing volunteers. Our library has new titles, current best sellers and classics; puzzles, CDs, DVDs and other games. Why, there are even reading glasses available if so desired. Talk about covering all the bases!

If you are into reading, take a walk to the library and check it out.

Kudos to Kelly Douglass and Brenda Neumann for their hard work in maintaining our library.

Other Library Resources

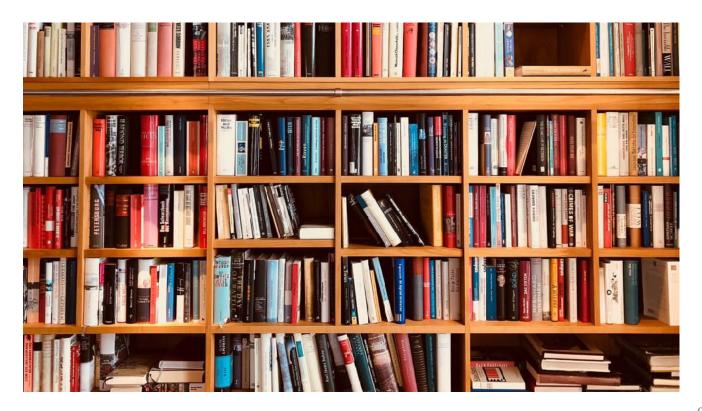
- Gulfport Public Library (Member of the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative). 5501 28th Avenue South Gulfport, FL 33707 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM Monday to Saturday Closed Sunday
- James Weldon Johnson Community Library (Member of the St. Petersburg Library System)
 1059 18th Avenue South St. Petersburg, FL 33705
 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM Monday
 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM Tuesday to Saturday
 Closed Sunday

 St. Petersburg Public Library (South Community) 2300 Roy Hanna Drive St. Petersburg, FL 33712 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM Wednesday 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday Closed Sunday

You can apply for a library card in St. Petersburg by emailing <u>webmail.library@st.pete.org</u> or using the contact us form on their website.

For Pinellas County libraries, you must visit any Pinellas County library cooperative member library and complete an application form to receive a library card. You must provide a photo ID and proof of current residence in Pinellas County.

For those of you who are tech savvy, you may like to download Libby, which is a library application for your smart device which allows you to enjoy ebooks and audiobooks from your local library. You can borrow them for free, instantly, with a library card. Go to Google Play or the Apple App Store and download Libby, by Overdrive.



Activities at the Cay

C asino Pool ater Aerobics

■ V If low impact water aerobics is your thing, please join Teresa Lessak and her energic group from 10-11am Monday thru Saturday at the casino pool.

THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT DCPOA SPONSORED ACTIVITES

ah Jongg

Mah Jongg is played Tuesdays, 1:30PM to 3:00PM in the Casino card room. Mah Jongg is a Chinese game that can be played with two or three, but usually four people. The National Mah Jongg League rules and cards are used for the version played here. The game is similar to playing cards, but with Chinese tiles, which are collected to make winning hands.

If you want to learn how to play Mah Jongg or want to enhance your Mah Jongg skills, Katie MacReynolds and Laura Frimer will be conducting Mah Jongg workshops. Please contact Katie at <u>ktmacrey@gmail.com</u> or Laura at <u>lfrimer@tampabay.rr.com</u> if interested.

ards Play cards in the card room on Thursdays at 1:30PM.

ng Pong on the Casino Porch

Ping pong enthusiasts meet for organized play on Mondays and Thursdays at 3:30PM. Otherwise, it is an open table for all to enjoy.

each Wall Fitness Class Exercise includes cardio, light weights and stretching. Mondays at 5:00PM and Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:30AM. Activities where all are welcome









Hurricane Preparedness

Hurricanes are among nature's most powerful and destructive phenomena. On average, 12 tropical storms, 6 of which become hurricanes form over the Atlantic Ocean, Caribbean Sea, or Gulf of Mexico during the hurricane season which runs from June 1 to November 30 each year.

All of Dolphin Cay is in Evacuation Zone A

Hurricane Hazards

While hurricanes pose the greatest threat to life and property, tropical storms and depression also can be devastating. The primary hazards are storm surge flooding, inland flooding from heavy rains, destructive winds, tornadoes, and high surf and rip currents.

- Storm surge is the abnormal rise of water generated by a storm's winds. This hazard is historically the leading cause of hurricane related deaths in the United States. Storm surge can travel several miles inland, especially along bays, rivers, and estuaries.
- Flooding from heavy rains is the second leading cause of fatalities from landfalling tropical cyclones.
 Widespread torrential rains associated with these storms often cause flooding hundreds of miles inland.
 This flooding can persist for several days after a storm has dissipated.
- Winds from a hurricane can destroy buildings and manufactured homes. Items left outside or on balconies can become flying missiles during hurricanes.
- Dangerous waves produced by a tropical cyclone's strong winds can pose a significant hazard to coastal residents. These waves can cause damage to structures along the coastline, even when the storm is more than a 1,000 miles offshore.

Basic Emergency Supplies

GENERAL

- \square Water: One gallon per person per day, for at least seven days.
- □ Nonperishable food: at least a one-week supply.
- \Box Non-electric can opener.
- □ Paper plates, plastic cups and utensils.
- \Box Medications.
- □ Extra bottled oxygen if needed.
- \Box First aid supplies.
- □ Wipes, hand sanitizer, soap, toilet.
- □ Flashlight or lantern.
- □ Battery-operated or hand-crank radio.
- □ Extra batteries.

- □ Cellphone with charger, extra battery and backup solar charger
- \Box Cash, preferably small bills.
- \Box Full tank of gas in vehicle.

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

- □ Driver's license, passport, other ID cards.
- □ Insurance policies for home, health, flood, auto, renters
- □ Important numbers and emergency contacts
- □ Medical records from pharmacy

SERVICE ANIMALS AND PETS

- \Box Carrier or crate.
- □ Identification/updated microchip.
- \Box Medications.
- □ Toys/blanket
- \square Pet food and water for two weeks
- □ Cat liter, pan, scoop
- □ Plastic waste bags, disinfectant and paper towels
- \Box Collar and leash.

HOST HOME OR HOTEL

- \Box Change of clothing for several days.
- \Box Check with your host home for other necessities

PUBLIC SHELTER – GENERAL

In addition to basic supplies: □ Blanket, pillow, cot, folding chair or twin-size air mattress.

- \Box Change of clothing for several days.
- □ Special dietary items and supplies that may be needed

HOME

If you shelter in place or upon return \Box Ice and coolers.

- \Box Large garbage bags.
- $\hfill\square$ Disinfectant and cleaners
- \Box Matches or lighter.
- $\hfill\square$ Batteries, flashlights, chargers and other basic emergency supplies

Medical Services

SERVICES NEAR THE CAY*

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PHARMACIES

- CVS 3501 54th Avenue South 727-864-1546 8:00AM to 10 PM Closed 1:30 to 2:00 for Lunch
- Walgreens 3077 54th Avenue South 727-362-1505
 8:00 AM to 10 PM Monday to Friday Closed 1:30 to 2 for Lunch 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM Saturday and Sunday
- Publix 5295 34th Street South 727-864-0096
 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM Monday to Friday
 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM Saturday
 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM Sunday

URGENT CARE

CVS Minute Clinic - 3501 54th Avenue South 866-389-2727 8:30 AM to 7:30 PM Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM Saturday 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM Sunday

Bay Care Urgent Care - 2311 4th Street N 727-914-8566 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM Monday to Friday 9:00 AM ton 6:00 PM Saturday and Sunday

HOSPITAL/EMERGENCY ROOM

Bayfront Health (Orlando Health) - St. Petersburg 701 6th Street S 727-893-6195

St. Anthony's Hospital - Daycare 1200 7th Avenue N 727-825-1100

DEFIBRILLATORS

There are ten (10) defibrillators on the Dolphin Cay Property. They are located in the following areas:

1. In every six story building, they are located just to the right of the elevators on the first floor.

2. In the Casino, just to the right of the kitchen door

3. At the Tennis Court, in the bathroom by the Maintenance Shop

4. In the Fitness Center, on the north end under the television.

5. We encourage you to review the instructional videos below. You do not need to be certified or a trained healthcare professional to use this device.

The defibrillators have step-by-step instructions, but you can also view a training video provided by the manufacturer at <u>https://www.zoll.com/medical-products/automated-external-defibrillators/aed-plus/video</u>.

The Red Cross also offers online AED training courses. If you are interested, please use the following link: <u>https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class/online-</u> <u>safety-classes?</u> <u>latitude=27.7676008&longitude=-82.640291499999999</u> &searchtype=class&zip=st.%



Maintaining the Cay

ATTENTION ALL PROPERTY OWNERS

YOU HAVE BEEN PROVIDED WITH THE DCPOA RESIDENT INFORMATION PACKET WHICH IS UPDATED PERIODICALLY. THIS DOCUMENT INCLUDES IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND REGULATIONS REGARDING SUCH TOPICS AS: PET REGISTRATION, DELIVERY SCHEDULES AND RULES, RENOVATION REQUIREMENTS AND VEHICLE GUIDELINES. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A COPY OF IT, YOU CAN VIEW IT ON <u>DOLPHINCAY.COM</u> OR CONTACT THE OFFICE.

Water Leak Safety Recommendations

Shut off water to your entire condo when you are away. This is easy and prevents damage to your home and your neighbors' properties.

Air conditioners have drains which can clog and flow back into your home. Pour a cap full of vinegar into the access opening in the drain line at the air handler monthly to kill any algae that has formed in the pipe that may cause backflow.

Older washing machine hoses should be replaced with the current standard steel-braided hoses, to prevent bursting under pressure. Periodically check any original sink and toilet valves as they can also leak over time.

To detect water leaks, place water alarms directly on floors wherever there is a risk of water leakage: near water heaters, air handlers, dishwashers, next to washing machines, under sinks and near toilets.

Alarms can detect as little as 1/32 inch of water and produce a piercing 100+ dB sound that can be heard throughout the home and by your neighbors. Let your neighbors know to please <u>take action</u> if they hear your alarm!

There are also inexpensive wi-fi enabled alarms that will sound off and alert you on your

smart phone when you are away.*

Maintaining the Cay

Disposal of Oversized Items

<u>St Petersburg Sanitation Special Pickup</u> is a FREE service offered for those oversized items that do not fit in the bins intended for garbage collection. But don't just leave these items outside on your curb or outside of the dumpster room – they will not be collected during the normal pickup. The city's Large and Bulk Item Pickup service must be scheduled by calling (727) 893-7398 and providing the Dolphin Cay ID # 226531. Specify your address and place your items out just before the scheduled date you are given.

For more detail, first see:

https://www.stpete.org/sanitation/residential/special_pickup.php

The Recycling Corner

Are you truly following these local guidelines? Please READ the poster mounted above the bins in Condo buildings.

NEVER plastic grocery bags or any other <u>plastic</u> bag ONLY loose, dry, CLEAN, eligible items NO cardboard boxes that are not platted and they must fit in the recycle bins ... and please remove bottle caps NOTHING smaller than "a fist" WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!

Single Family Home guidelines found here: http://www.pinellascounty.org/solidwaste/recycle-guide/pdf/recycle_guide.pdf

POOL Maintenance Schedule

Due to health and safety regulations, as well as time management for maintenance staff, each pool is now briefly closed for regular cleaning and chemical maintenance. Because of Dolphin Cay's high standards, we have maintained an excellent record with the Pinellas County Health Department, and we strive to keep it that way.

Osprey Pool Monday10:00AM - 11:00AM and 8:00AM - 9:00AM Tuesday thru Saturday. Casino Pool Monday thru Saturday 8:30AM - 9:30AM

THE BEACH POOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR MAINTENANCE FOR ONE MONTH BEGINNING JULY 15.

Please note that this schedule is subject to change.

Pet owners, did you know ???

- <u>All pets must be approved and registered with the office</u>, where a form will be provided for you to complete. There is no fee charged in our community.
- No pets are ever allowed on the beach or grill area.
- Even though we are a private property, the **Pinellas County leash laws pertain to us too**, so please, **always use a leash**.
- Please ensure that you clean up after your pet.
- Homeowners can have no more than two pets with a maximum combined weight of 40 pounds.
- Condominium owners can have no more than two pets with a maximum combined weight of 30 pounds.



Leaving Your Condo for an Extended Time?

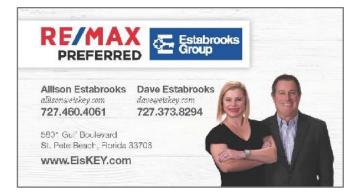
- **Remove all items** from the balconies, decks and courtyards in case of high wind or hurricane.
- **Turn off the water supply** to reduce the chance of flooding (the primary and hot water valves are located above the water heater).
- Set your AC temperature to the conditions of your unit based on unit orientation and window/door style, e.g. single or multi-pane. Maintaining a humidity level between 50-55% is key to inhibiting mold.
- Constant air movement is also critical so keep the ceiling fans on for circulation.
- Ensure the A/C drain line is clear, pour a capful of vinegar into the line. Have the air conditioning unit serviced to avoid an unexpected shutdown and subsequent mold damage.
- Add water to the dishwasher to keep the pump moist. Run the garbage disposal to ensure it is empty and cover its drain.
- Cover the toilet bowl and tank with plastic wrap to keep water from evaporating and drying out the tank parts.
- Turn off circuit breaker for the electric water heater.
- Disconnect TV, stereo, and computer from the electric outlets or switch off power bars since lightning can cause damage through these connections. Leave the cable box connected for Spectrum updates.
- Close and lock your sliding glass doors. Close your drapes and shutters to prevent sunlight from fading items and to maintain a more constant temperature.
- Leave closet doors and kitchen cabinets open to allow air to circulate.
- Ensure that a unit key is made accessible to board members via the Association lockbox in case of emergency.
- Ensure that the Office has your forwarding address and a current emergency contact name and telephone number.
- If you leave your car in your assigned parking space, leave a car key in the Association lockbox or on your kitchen counter.



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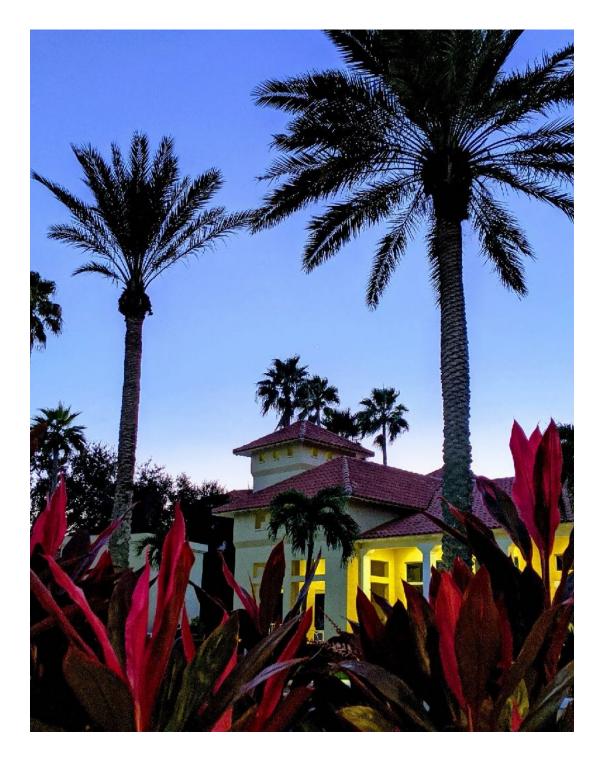
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