



SOCIAL NEWS

[NPT Social Committee](#) (Rosemary, Chairperson)

Cul-De-Sac Socials-ALL 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

You will be notified via email with dates.

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US!

Please bring your chairs, drinks, and bug spray!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



JOKE OF THE DAY

Want to hear a joke about a roof?

The first one is on the house.



NPT SOCIAL MEDIA



PLEASE JOIN US FOR UPDATES!

[NPT Facebook Page-CLICK HERE](#)

Another great website for our neighborhood and the general area is:
nextdoor [CLICK ON THE PIC](#)



to our Newest Neighbors!

290 PT-Eric and Samantha

265 PT-King

512 DR-Chris and Melissa



[NPT Community News & Events](#)

[PSL ACTIVITIES EVENTS CALENDAR-CLICK HERE](#)

[MID FLORIDA CENTER EVENTS -CLICK HERE](#)

[TRADITION EVENTS CALENDAR-CLICK HERE](#)

[TREASURE COAST AREA EVENTS-CLICK HERE](#)

[TREASURE COAST & PSL NEWS-CLICK HERE](#)



ANNOUNCEMENTS



**BEWARE!!! WE HAVE
ALLIGATORS IN THE LAKE AND ON THE
BANKS! WATCH YOUR KIDS & PETS!**



FEATURED WEBSITES

PSL Public Works [FACEBOOK PAGE FOR PSL CONSTRUCTION NEWS-CLICK HERE](#)

Bi-Weekly City Manager's Report-[CLICK HERE-PSL NEWS, VERY INFORMATIVE](#)

Access to City Hall-[1PSL-CLICK HERE-24/7-WEB & APP-772-871-1775-CHECK THIS OUT!](#)

Alert St. Lucie Public Safety Alert Program
[SIGN UP-CLICK HERE](#)

Coming soon to PSL! [GOOD INFO-CLICK HERE!](#)



NPT-Watson HOA and Vantaca Websites

HOA documents including meeting notices, ARB requests, NPT policies and guidelines, are on our website at: <https://www.watsonassociationmanagement.com/communities/north-panther-trace/>. To see the VANTACA password-protected page with your account info, HOA docs and Financials, use the "Community Portal" link at the top of the page. Contact Watson if you do not know or have your user name and password.



Please be neighborly

Our Covenants specifically state **NO PARKING on the grass, at any time.**

Please remind your guests and vendors.



Meeting Minutes & Financials

You can find the NPT & Master HOA meeting minutes & confidential documents on the Watson Caliber website, see log-in instructions above.



Front Gate

Please program your phone with a new contact. **"FRONT GATE" 772-408-0054**
Every home has a Vendor/Guest code, please use it, and keep your 4-digit code confidential.



Master Board News

All residents are welcome to attend the Master Board meetings. Notice is posted.



Neighborhood Security

PLEASE call 911 on **any** suspicious activity & cars, kids acting unruly, solicitors, etc. **"See something, say something!"** The police encourage us to.



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Quarterly Dues

Our dues remained **\$495/quarter for 2024**
& are DUE the 1st day of each quarter:

1/1, 4/1, 7/1 and 10/1

Our HOA is funded by our dues. It is imperative your HOA Dues get paid on time so we can operate the HOA financially. **Please try to pay your dues on time.** The best way to do that is set up Auto Draft with Watson or Auto Pay at your bank to be paid on the 1st of each quarter.

Our dues provide: Common areas and front yard lawn maintenance, limited neighborhood maintenance, standard Bluestream TV channels with HBO & Showtime and 400 MBPS Internet

NOTE: You must be current on your dues to receive the Bluestream Services.



HOA Meetings

3rd Tuesday each month

Meetings are held at the Watson offices and on ZOOM. (<https://www.zoom.us/join>)

Meeting ID: 715 3604 2014

Passcode: iNB77a

FEBRUARY, 2024 AT HAMMOCK COVE CLUBHOUSE



If you plan to dig in your yard for any reason, **CALL 811** to get your underground utility lines marked, for free. **Beware of the new Bluestream Lines**



Yard Waste pick-up info:

PSL YARD WASTE INFO-[CLICK HERE](#)

FCC ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
[WEBSITE-CLICK HERE](#)



[To comment on and to contribute](#)

[to our newsletter](#), please email Bob at:

bobshonce@yahoo.com



KEEP AN EYE ON THE WEATHER for NAMED STORMS. (Please, no pruning during a named storm)
SHUTTER RULES: They must be off your windows 2 weeks after the storm passes. Shutters may stay on **during hurricane season**, only if home is **100% unoccupied**.



[HOA Rule violations, complaints, ALL ARB and SERVICE Requests, Dues](#)

Please email these issues to Carlos at: carlosherrera@WatsonRealtyCorp.com

and please copy the entire HOA board.

For Service Requests, you can use the "Work Orders" on the top of the front page on our website **or** send an email to Watson

PSL CODE ENFORCEMENT: 772-871-5010

Better yet, use the 1PSL app or website

Just a reminder, NPT & SPT are separate HOA's. There is also a Master Board HOA for all of Sawgrass Lakes. (Bob is the VP)



Carlos Herrera is our HOA property manager at Watson Association Management. Contact him at: carlosherrera@WatsonRealtyCorp.com (Preferred) or by phone 772-871-0004. You should send Carlos an email on all HOA issues. **If you are not getting the HOA emails, please check your SPAM folder and verify Watson has your correct email.** ***RV LOT:** Please contact Dina at Signature, 772-219-4474, the Property Manager for the Master Board. Lots are available, **ONLY \$300 ANNUAL** storage fee for Sawgrass residents!



2024 North Panther Trace Board of Directors. If you need to contact the board for anything, please include all Board members and Carlos on your email.

Bob Shonce, President	734-787-9841	bobshonce@yahoo.com
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Did you know North Panther Trace has their own website?

NPT-Watson HOA and Vantaca Websites

This is where you can find HOA documents & forms including meeting notices, ARB requests, NPT policies and guidelines, NPT newsletters and more!

[https://www.watsonassociationmanagement.com/communities/north-panther-trace/.](https://www.watsonassociationmanagement.com/communities/north-panther-trace/)

To see the VANTACA password-protected page with your account info, HOA Dues payment portal, Confidential HOA docs and Financials, etc; please use the “Community Portal” link at the top of the page. This page is Password Protected.

Please contact Watson if you do not know or have your user’s name and password. Any info needed and not here, please let us know as well any suggestions you may have for our website.

Please send your requests to: carlosherrera@WatsonRealtyCorp.com

COMMUNITY PORTAL-**PASSWORD PROTECTED, YOU MUST LOG-IN**

HINTS ON CONTENT AND USAGE

1. **Dashboard**>**MY CONTACT INFO-Update preferences, contact info & Password**
2. **Billing**-Make a payment, view and download account history
3. **My Items**-Recent emails to neighborhood
4. **Calendar**-Scheduled Board meetings
5. **Documents**-Confidential NPT HOA documents, **Complete menu**
6. **Documents**-Board Certifications
7. **Documents**-HOA Budget
8. **Documents**-Contracts-Vendors-Add approved contracts
9. **Documents**-Insurance Policies
10. **Documents**-Minutes-Meeting minutes for 1 year
11. **Documents**-Newsletters-NPT Newsletters, 1 year
12. **Documents**-Tax returns-2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 (when done)
13. **Documents**-Welcome to NPT
14. **Documents**-Homeowner How To videos

“Help us help the community”: SLC Sheriff's office asks residents to register home cameras with them.

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. (CBS12) — Today, many homeowners have some sort of security camera to protect their families and property.

Now, our local sheriff's office is asking residents to share the location of that camera.

The St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office (SLCSO) is asking residents who have security cameras outside their homes to register the location with them, so they can ask for footage if a crime happens in your neighborhood.

“Why does somebody have a camera? Typically, they have a camera because they want to protect their own assets, and they want to protect themselves and their families,” said Lt. Rob Pettit of the SLCSO Intelligence Unit.

Pettit says registering your camera will not give law enforcement unfiltered access to the camera. It is designed to help investigators know where footage is available should something happen nearby. Please consider registering your cameras.

“The owner still maintains complete control of it and only will send us the footage as requested,” Pettit explained. “Places a dot on a map that tells investigators that the owner has a camera at that location.”

Residents can also register their camera as an integrated livestream, which he says “would help deputies responding to scenes have really a greater picture of what they are getting themselves into,” the lieutenant said.

A CBS12 News crew asked county residents if they think this is an invasion of privacy or something that can help keep the community safe.

“I would say it would be better for the community, especially if they can't access it without your permission and that is in writing” resident Michael Fountain said.

Click [here](#) you wish to share your camera's location with the sheriff's office.

<https://stluciesheriff.fususregistry.com/>



Everyone is doing a great job on trash and recycle! THANK YOU!

REMINDERS:

Thursday is our regular trash, recycle and yard waste pickup days.

The 4th Thursday of every month is our Bulk Garbage pickup day.

DATES FOR 2024: 1/25, 2/22, 3/28, 4/25, 5/23, 6/27, 7/25, 8/22, 9/26, 10/24, 11/29, 12/27

If you have items that will not fit in your garbage can and FCC will not pick up on a regular trash day, the **BULK DAY** is the day to put it out. After 6 PM the night before for **ALL items and pick-ups**. **No other day or time is acceptable. LIMITED TO 2 CUBIC YARDS**

You can also call for a special pickup anytime. **However, there will be a fee for special pickups.** To schedule a special pickup for bulk waste or yard waste, use the 1PSL app at: [1PSL | Port St. Lucie](#) or **call 772-871-1775, OPTION 5.** You should also use this contact information if you have any issues with the FCC services.

Trash & recycle cans **and** yard waste should not be put out before 6 PM Wednesday nights. Cans should be 3 feet apart to give the truck lift enough room to pick up your cans. The only exception is when you schedule a special pickup, they will give you a 3-day window for pick-up. If it is out for more than a few days, please call again and request your pick up again. **We do not want trash or yard waste out at the curbs every day of the week or all week/month long. PLEASE, DO NOT BLOCK THE DRAINS WITH ANYTHING.**

Trash and recycle cans should be stored inside your garage. If that is not possible, please store them behind your house. **All garbage must be in the cans and the lids must be closed at all times, even in the backyard, to avoid rodent infestation, for you and your neighbors.**

MORE INFO: www.CityofPSL.com/SolidWaste

PSL CITY TRASH & RECYCLE ORDINANCE, CLICK HERE



CLICK ON PICTURE FOR THE 1PSL LINK. This link has a wealth of information on how to contact the city for just about anything, including FCC. Download the mobile app at your App store



Bob Shonce is our contact person for Bluestream. If you cannot get a resolution to your issues by calling the Bluestream service department, please send him an email at: bobshonce@yahoo.com with: Your name, address, phone #, best time to call and a brief description of your problem.

NEW! Online learning link: <https://www.bluestreamfiber.com/learning-resource-hub/>

TIPS! Do you miss shows sometimes and forget to record them? Maybe you thought you were taping your show but it ended up being a sporting event or weather reports.

You can download individual station apps to your TV, sign in with your Bluestream info and watch most any show you want, anytime you want.

Check out the Google Play Store under APPS & GAMES on your HOME page using the **SILVER BUTTON ON THE TOP OF YOUR REMOTE CONTROL**.

Most of these apps are free to download and use. Some do have a fee and you will be prompted to subscribe if so. **None of this is mandatory or required.**

The Showtime (218-226) and HBO (201-207) channels are included with your HOA Dues. To watch all programs from these stations, download their FREE APP and sign in with your Bluestream info. There are lots of good shows on these apps and they are **NO CHARGE** to you!

Service not acting properly? Unplug the power to your box, wait 45 seconds, plug it back in. This should reboot the system and your service should work properly. Each TV works independently, so you may have to do each one. If this does not work, call for service. **Bluestream may have to replace your box(es). They are currently installing updated TiVo boxes as needed.**

*** Make sure they check all your TiVo boxes, your Plumes, your HDMI connection on your TV and the Bluestream Fiber connection on the outside of the house. We have had issues with the outside connection not secured properly.

NEED BLUESTREAM SERVICE? Call 772-242-7017 to Schedule your service call. Be sure to ask for a Bluestream tech, not a sub-contractor. If you are on hold for more than a minute or 2, it probably means Bluestream knows there is an issue and they are working on the solution. **You can also contact** Bluestream using this link: <https://www.bluestreamfiber.com/community/sawgrass-lakes/>

FYI! If you are moving, you must return ALL TiVo boxes, remote controls and plumes to the Bluestream office except for the ONT (modem). The modem stays in the house. If these are not returned, you will be charged for them. **The new homeowner will have to call to get their equipment installed and to activate the HOA and any extra Bluestream services.**



After receiving several reports, the Port St. Lucie Police Department is alerting residents of an ongoing phone scam in which suspects posing as PSLPD members try to coerce victims into giving them money.

The suspects are using the names of actual Officers and are disguising or "spoofing" their phone numbers to make it look like they are calling from PSLPD. The scams have variations, but generally, the caller will identify themselves as a law enforcement officer and falsely tell the victim that a warrant has been issued because they missed a court date, did not show up for jury duty, have an overdue fine or something similar. They will be arrested unless they pay right away.

Tips to avoid falling victim

- Immediately hang up. No legitimate law enforcement officer or agency will ever ask for money over the phone.
- Do not provide any of your personal information over the phone.
- If you think an actual law enforcement officer is trying to reach you, call the law enforcement agency directly to verify.

Do not trust your phone's caller ID to alert you of a SPAM call due to the suspects "spoofing" their number.



The Need for Upload Speed

Everybody loves to talk about download speeds, but nobody ever talks about the importance of upload speeds when it comes to fast internet service.

Think about it. When you're browsing the internet or streaming your favorite shows, it's easy to focus on how quickly information is coming to you (i.e. your download speeds). But what happens when you're the one uploading a photo to social media or taking video calls for work?

Upload speed determines how quickly your device, such as a computer or smartphone, transfers data to the internet. When looking at the best internet plan to suit your needs, a good rule of thumb is to get an idea of what you'll be doing online and how much bandwidth these activities require.

Here are some common instances where upload speeds matter the most.

Uploading to a cloud

If your job or hobbies involve uploading large files to the cloud, you know how time-consuming dealing with lag from slow upload speeds can be. This is especially the case if you're uploading multiple and/or larger files.

Video calls and online meetings

There is nothing more frustrating than buffering or freezing on a video call. Having reliable upload speeds will allow you to smoothly work from home and attend online meetings or give presentations without any issues.

Online gaming

Gamers know that every millisecond counts on that virtual battlefield and even the slightest delay could mean it's game over.

Upload speeds are just as important as download speeds and can greatly improve your online experience. Understanding the difference between the two will also come in handy when choosing the right internet provider that can meet your need for speed.

TAXING AUTHORITIES

These taxing authorities are responsible for setting the ad valorem millage rates and non-ad valorem special assessments:

St. Lucie County Board of Commissioners	772-462-1670
St. Lucie County School Board	772-429-3970
St. Lucie County Fire District	772-621-3342
Children's Services Council	772-408-1100
South Florida Water Management District	561-686-8800
Florida Inland Navigation District	561-627-3386
City of Fort Pierce	772-467-3000
City of Port St. Lucie	772-871-5069
Town of St. Lucie Village	772-466-6900

OTHER LEVYING AUTHORITIES

These levying authorities are responsible for setting non-ad valorem assessments:

St. Lucie West Services District	772-340-0220
North St. Lucie River Water Control District	772-461-5050
County Waste Disposal Services	772-462-1631
South Hutchinson Island Special Assessment	772-462-3500
Ft. Pierce Farms Water Control District	772-461-5050
Tesoro CDD	407-841-5524
Capron Trail	561-630-4922
Tradition	561-630-4922
Southern Grove	561-630-4922
Lake Lucie CDD	561-630-4922
Portofino Isles, Shores, Court, Landings Creekside, Waterstone, The Reserve, Verano Center & Riverplace on the St. Lucie	954-721-8681 ext. 208

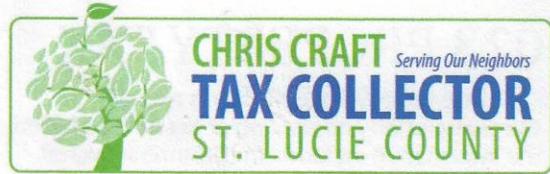
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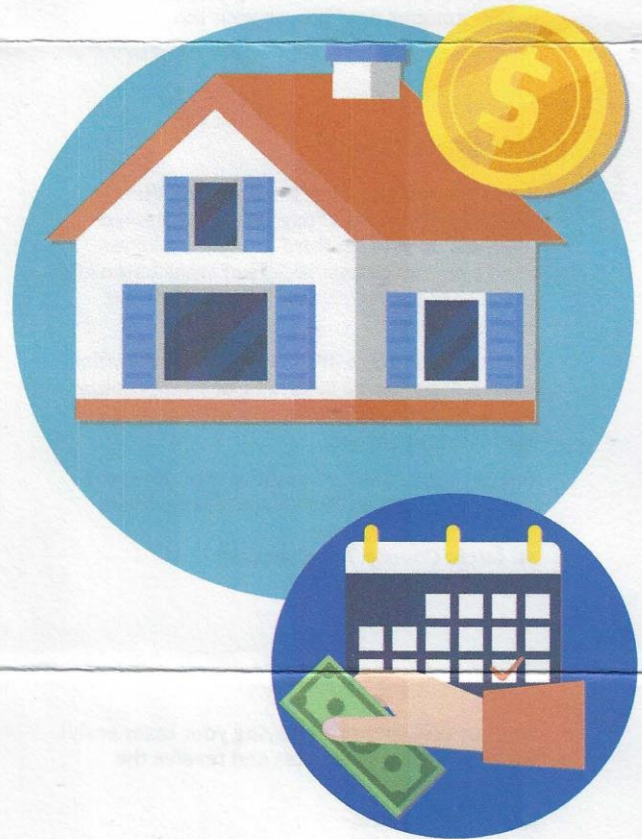
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Locations:
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10264 SW Village Parkway, Port St. Lucie, FL 34987

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2023 PROPERTY TAXES



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This section is designed to make it easier for you to find quality vendors for work you need done or products you may want to buy. Many of these companies have done work for you or your neighbors, are your neighbors or are relatives or friends of them. You should check out their website and Internet reviews.

Please retain this list for future use. [Check out our new vendors this issue!](#)

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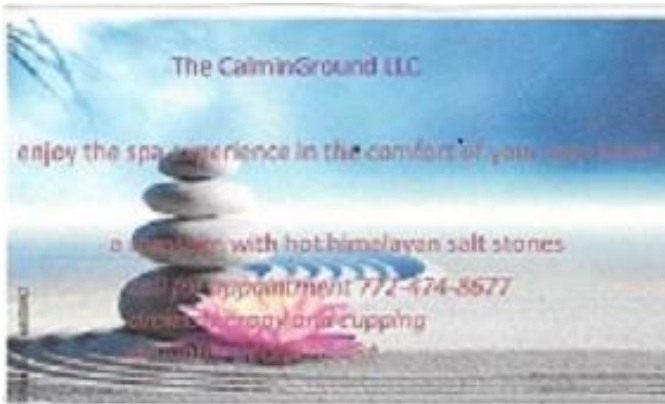
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