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Friday, November 8th
12 Noon @ Ace's Hangar
3966 Avalon Boulevard, Milton
Cost: \$15 for members / \$20 for non-members at the door
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*Happy
Thanksgiving!*

*Registration and payment can be made via
email link or you can pay at the door.*



A Message from our Chair...

inations to be presented at the Annual Leadership Awards and Installation Lunch on January 17, 2025. The deadline for nominations is November 23rd. Forms for nominations can be picked up at the Chamber office. If you prefer, Nicole or Jaime can email you the nomination form.

I would like to congratulate Mr. Ed Spears on becoming the new City Manager of the City of Milton. I have had the pleasure of knowing Ed for several years while serving on the Board. I have no doubt Ed will do a great job in moving the city forward in his tenure there. Thank you Ed for your many years of service to the community and the Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce!

Our regular Chamber networking events are scheduled for November. Please make plans to attend if you are available. Thank you to the people that make these events possible. Mr. Jeremy Reeder, Networking Lunch. Ms. Erin Vaughn and Mr. Lee Irving, Business After Hours, and Mr. Tracy Allen for the AM Network. These people work hard to make these events successful and our thanks go out to them all for their efforts.

Due to bad weather the Team Bruce Baker MBA-RE/MAX Infinity Golf Classic has been rescheduled for December 9th at Stonebrook Golf Club in Pace. The Santa Rosa Young Professionals' Annual Clay Shoot is scheduled for November 22nd. Registration for teams or station sponsorships are available online or can be picked up at the Chamber office. Unfortunately, I will miss the Shoot because duck season opens in Arkansas on November 23rd and I have to be there on our farm to prepare the woods and fields for the upcoming season.

As I am writing this, I realize that this is the next to last time I will be addressing you all through my little articles. Thank you to all the members and board members that put trust in me to guide the board through the year. I do so look forward to addressing you all at the Awards and Installation Lunch in January!

With kindest regards,

See You All Soon! God Bless,
Frank Hoskins
2024 Board Chair



Well, it's officially Fall!

The leaves are turning and the temperature is steadily dropping. Hurricane season doesn't officially end until the end of the month, but thankfully we dodged the bullet again this year. Our prayers for a speedy recovery go out to the victims of Helene and Milton. This is my favorite time of year, many of you that know me know I love fishing and bird hunting. The fall bite in this area is incredible and it is such a pleasure fishing in cool weather. I got a video of our farm in Arkansas from my brother taken on October 24th: One of our flooded fields is already covered up with ducks and geese. Excited to get up there and do some duck hunting.

It has been my honor to help steer the Chamber of Commerce through the year. I hope that my efforts have made a difference in improving the membership experience for all Chamber members. I will be serving one more year on the board and will rotate out. I must say that I have made many friends along the way. We hired a new CEO and I cannot say how pleased I am with Jim as well as the entire Chamber staff. We will be filling six board positions this year and we have fourteen or so nominations. I am so glad that so many people want to serve in the best interest of the business community of Santa Rosa County. I know the future of our organization is bright as the people serving on our board and Executive committee are dedicated to the success of the chamber and enhancing the membership experience.

My congratulations to Leadership Santa Rosa Class 37! Their graduation and end of year dinner will be held on December 12th. Class 38 is filling up quickly; their orientation will be held on December 19th. Leadership Santa Rosa is a wonderful program; I am so glad to have graduated with Class 35. I have made many lifelong friends along the way and learned so much about the workings of the County and State. I highly encourage anyone even slightly interested to sign up for Class 38.

We are accepting Community Award Nom-



2024 COMMITTEE & EVENT CHAIRS

- Ambassadors..... Margarita Vazquez..... Primerica
- Co-Chair Lee Irving LandrumHR
- Awards/Installation Luncheon .. Tracy Allen..... Goosehead Insurance
- Business After Hours Erin Vaughn Sunbelt Title Agency
- Co-Chair Lee Irving LandrumHR
- Casino Night..... Mike Johnson Individual Member
- Co-Chair Scott Klemm..... Individual Member
- E.D.G.E..... Lee Irving LandrumHR
- Co-Chair Ronnie Goode..... Individual Member
- Team Bruce Baker, MBA
- RE/MAX Infinity Golf Classic ... Larry Strain..... Individual Member
- Finance Committee Jennifer Micklos The First, ANBA
- July 4th Riverfest Larry Strain..... Individual Member
- Leadership Santa Rosa Jonathan Arneault..... The Rock Church
- Leadership Santa Rosa Alumni...Mirella Savage..... United Way of West Florida
- Local Legislative Action Ed Carson..... Carson Construction
- Member Orientations..... Lechia Froman United Bank
- Military Advisory Committee Steve Rhodes..... Florida Power & Light
- Co-Chair Russell Raught..... CareerSource EscaRosa
- Military Appreciation Tracy Allen..... Goosehead Insurance
- Non-Profit Resource
- & Development Roundtable... Tammy Ward Lifequest Organ Recovery Services
- Santa Rosa
- Young Professionals Laura Uebelsteadt Individual Member
- Networking Lunch..... Jeremy Reeder..... Reeder Financial Group
- The A.M. Network Tracy Allen..... Goosehead Insurance

2024 Officers & Board of Directors

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2024

- Chair:** Frank Hoskins, Owen Hoskins Consulting, LLC
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Business After Hours

January Grover T's BBQ
February Team Bruce Baker, MBA @ RE/MAX Infinity
March Blackwater Bay Tours
April Team Bruce Baker, MBA @ RE/MAX Infinity
May United Bank
June Team Bruce Baker, MBA @ RE/MAX Infinity
August Community Bank
September Team Bruce Baker, MBA @ RE/MAX Infinity
October Adams Sanitation
November John Kelley Handyman Service

Networking Lunch

January Coastal Wildlife Removal
February American Heritage Financial
March Fast Cash ATM Services
April Santa Rosa Medical Center
May Commercial Contract Cleaning & Pressure Washing
June EcoView Windows & Pressure Washing
July 82 Magnolia Aesthetics
August Gracie L. Turner
September Pen Air Credit Union
October Cumulus Media
November Drug Free Workplaces
December Harvesters Credit Union

The A.M. Network

March John Kelley Handyman Service
April Team Bruce Baker, MBA @ RE/MAX Infinity
May Synovus
June Drug Free Workplaces
July Team Bruce Baker, MBA @ RE/MAX Infinity
August Coastal Wildlife Removal
September Santa Rosa Medical Center
October Team Bruce Baker, MBA @ RE/MAX Infinity
December Locklin Technical College/Santa Rosa County School District

The Santa Rosan

January Sunburst RV Resort
February Keller Williams Realty, Trisha Clause-Ramirez
March Florida Department of Health in Santa Rosa County
April Eglin Federal Credit Union
May Five Star Painting of Pensacola
June Liberty Church - Milton
July John Kelley Handyman Services
August LC Creative Productions
September Brighton Lawn Care LLC
October Armor Service Group
November City of Milton/Natural Gas of Milton
December Primerica Milton-Margarita Vazquez

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

20 Years

Santa Rosa Education Foundation

10 Years

Sandy Sansing Chrysler Dodge Jeep RAM

5 Years

Goosehead Insurance – Tracy Allen
Santa Rosa County Library Administration
The Backyard Barn

1 Year

Armor Service Group
Bagdad Village Preservation Association
Morale, Welfare & Recreation Naval Air Station Whiting Field
Santa Rosa County Supervisor of Elections
West Florida Railroad Museum

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Kevin Kennedy
4661 Geiger Road, Milton
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Financial planning

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Northwest Florida Defense Coalition
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127 Palafox Place, Suite 200, Pensacola
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- Margarita Vazquez (Chair) Primerica Financial Services
- Lee Irving (Co-Chair)..... LandrumHR
- Bruce Baker Team Bruce Baker, MBA-RE/MAX Infinity
- Linda Clark..... LC Creative Productions
- Susan Clark GRANNY Nannies
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- Brenda Kay Hammel Express Employment Professionals
- Bruce Hoins That Text Guy
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- Becky McCaa Home Instead Senior Care
- Nicole Pires Hancock Whitney
- Jeremy Reeder Reeder Financial Group
- Mirella Savage United Way of West Florida
- Juan Vazquez Primerica – Margarita Vazquez

AMBASSADORS MAKE THE CHAMBER WORK FOR YOU!



Consider joining an elite group of Chamber members that volunteer and support the functions of our Chamber. The Ambassadors represent the Chamber at events, ribbon cuttings and help when needed. They are the first impressions to new members and they love to mentor new members and show them the ropes.

If you are interested in becoming a Chamber Ambassador, contact Nicole at 850-623-2339

Call Nicole at 850-623-2339 and ask for more information.

Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce 31st Annual GOLF CLASSIC

Rescheduled! New Date:

Monday, December 9, 2024 at Stonebrook Golf Club

Registration- 9:00 a.m.

Shotgun Start- 10:30 a.m.

Lunch provided on cart at 10:30 a.m.

Post round awards & dinner



Scan the QR Code to register!

Call in registrations and payment to:
(850) 623-2339

Single Player Entry Fee: \$100

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Team w/Tee Sign: \$450

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR - NOVEMBER

- November 2.....6:30 am-12 noon
L.E.A.D. Academy Run to the Roar
7121 Chumuckla Hwy, Pace
- November 2 10 am
Flags on Veterans Graves
Bagdad Cemetery, 6800 Pooley St, Bagdad
- November 2..... 4 pm
USS Harry Mudd Star Trek & SF
Club Meeting
SRC Chamber of Commerce,
4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 6..... 9 am-10 am
FL SBDC @ UWF Presents "Connect
to Capital"
Virtual meeting
- November 7..... 11:30 am-1:30 pm
"Empowering Women in Business"
Networking Lunch
SRC Chamber of Commerce,
4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 8..... 1 pm-2 pm
Veterans' Appreciation Day @Your Library
Santa Rosa County Libraries
- November 11 10 am
Santa Rosa County Veterans Memorial
Foundation Veteran's Day Parade
Downtown Milton. Please call
(850) 860-2427 for more information.
- November 11 2 pm
Santa Rosa County Master Gardeners
Present "Composting"
Gulf Breeze Library,
1060 Shoreline Dr, Gulf Breeze
- November 12..... 9 am
Milton Garden Club Meeting
Magnolia Hall, 5256 Alabama St, Milton
- November 12..... 11:30 am-1 pm
Networking 101
SRC Chamber of Commerce,
4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 12..... 1 pm-2:30 pm
ProJob Staffing Presents "Expect Success
for the Holidays"
SRC Chamber of Commerce,
4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 12..... 1-2 pm
Navy League Santa Rosa
Council Meeting
Milton PD, 5451 Alabama St, Milton
- November 12..... 5:45 pm
City of Milton Council Meeting
City Hall, 6738 Dixon St, Milton
- November 12..... 6:30 pm -8:30 pm
Compassionate Friends Meeting
7979 North Ninth Avenue, Pensacola
- November 13 12-1 pm
Kiwanis of Milton Sunrise Meeting
SRC Chamber of Commerce,
4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 13 3-4 pm
Non-Profit Resource &
Development Roundtable
SRC Chamber of Commerce,
4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 14..... 10 am
Santa Rosa County Master
Gardeners Present "Composting"
Milton Library,
5541 Alabama St, Milton
- November 14..... 1-2:30 pm
Milton Dementia Support Group
Clyde L. Gracey Community Center,
5629 Byrom St, Room 113, Milton
- November 14..... 5 pm-9 pm
Pensacola Habitat for Humanity
4th Annual Gala
The Sanctuary,
716 N 9th Ave, Pensacola
- November 16..... 8 am-10 pm
Project Chess Club Vickie Blevins
Memorial Tournament
SRC Chamber of Commerce,
4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 16..... 10 am
Santa Rosa County's Annual
Baby Shower
County Auditorium,
4350 Spikes Way, Milton
- November 17 6 pm
Southern Italy Curated
Cocktail Dinner
SpringHill Suites,
8375 Gulf Boulevard Navarre Beach
- November 18..... 2 pm
Santa Rosa County Master
Gardeners Present "Composting"
Jay Library, 5258 Booker Ln, Jay
- November 19..... 1 pm
Dementia Caregiver
Support Group
The Beacon at Gulf Breeze, Private
Dining, 4410 Gulf Breeze Pkwy
- November 19 5 pm
Milton Amateur Radio Club Meeting
SRC Chamber of Commerce,
4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 20 2 pm
Santa Rosa County Master
Gardeners Present "Composting"
Navarre Library,
James M. Harvell Rd, Navarre
- November 20 4:30-6:30 pm
Speed Networking Event
Rosie O'Grady's,
Seville Quarter, Pensacola
- November 20 6:30 pm
Blackwater Pyrates Meeting
Call (850) 791-2502 for location.
- November 22 8 am
Santa Rosa Young Professionals'
4th Annual "Shooting for a Better
Santa Rosa"
Santa Rosa Shooting Center,
6950 Quintette Hwy, Pace
- November 23 11 am-6 pm
Christmas Vendor Market &
Pilipino Food To-Go
St. Rose of Lima Parish Hall,
6451 Park Ave., Milton
- November 23 & 24 9 am-5 pm
Creek Fest 2024
Santa Rosa County Creek
Indian Tribal Grounds,
4750 Willard Norris Rd., Milton
- November 26 9 am-12 noon
Farm to City Food Distribution
Clyde L. Gracey Milton Community
Center 5629 Byrom St., Milton
- November 27 10 am
Santa Rosa County Master Gardeners
Present "Composting"
Pace Library,
4750 Pace Patriot Blvd. Pace
- November 30 10 am
First Presbyterian Church's
Knotty Prayers Ministry
Call (850) 623-2510 to confirm
and for location.

**Let us know if you or your
business has an event coming
up so we can get it on the
Chamber Calendar!
Call Nicole at 850-623-2339**

CHAMBER CALENDAR - NOVEMBER

- November 1..... 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Chamber Ambassadors Lunch
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton
- November 4..... 11:30 a.m.
Jay Chamber Meeting
Jay Community Center, 5259 Booker St., Jay
- November 4..... 4 p.m.
Leadership Santa Rosa Executive Committee
Virtual meeting
- November 5..... 5:30-7 p.m.
Business After Hours
Beardless Brewhaus-Milton, 5139 Elmira Street Milton
- November 8..... 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.
Chamber Networking Lunch
Ace's Hangar, 3966 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 11..... CHAMBER CLOSED for Veterans Day
- November 12..... 8:30 a.m.
SRC Legislative Coalition Meeting
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 13..... 3 p.m.
Non-Profit Resource & Development Roundtable
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 14..... 1 p.m.-4p.m.
LSRA R.I.S.E. Committee
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 25 4 p.m.
SRC CoC Board of Directors Meeting
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton
- November 28 & 29 CHAMBER CLOSED for Thanksgiving Holidays



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Weekly Recurring Meetings/Activities

TUESDAYS

12 Noon
Milton Rotary Club - Meetings are open to the public
4955 Highway 90, Pace
Call (850) 393-7334 to confirm.

7 PM
Primerica Business Opportunity Meeting
5205 Dogwood Dr, Milton
Call (850) 626-7188 to confirm.

WEDNESDAYS

9 AM - 4:30 PM
FL SBDC @ UWF Office Hours in Milton
6491 Caroline St., Milton

12 noon
Kiwanis Club of Milton Sunrise Meeting
Call (850) 781-7076 for location.

THURSDAYS

7 AM
Pace Rotary Club Meeting
Stonebrook Golf Club,
3200 Cobblestone Dr., Pace
Call (850) 994-9797 to confirm.

(Thursdays continued)

7:15 AM
BNI Tri-Cities Meeting
SRC Chamber of Commerce,
4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton

FRIDAYS

7-9 PM
Coming Clean Recovery
West Florida Baptist Church,
5621 Hwy 90, Milton



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Chair: Erin Vaughn, Sunbelt Title Agency

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Vannoy's Tires



Congratulations
split-the-pot winner:
Wendy Sapp,
Service Matters



Thank you, Martin Simmons, Apprise Video
Productions, Commercial Photography, Sound
System Rentals, for the use of your sound system!



2024 COMMUNITY AWARD NOMINATIONS

YOUR NOMINATIONS ARE NEEDED!

Each year the Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce recognizes those businesses, organizations and individuals that sustain our quality of life, create a prosperous business climate, and dedicate themselves and their resources to make Santa Rosa County a place we're all proud to call home to our families and businesses.

Nomination must be submitted no later than Friday, November 23, 2024.

Email to: ceo@srcchamber.com or mail to: SRC Chamber, 4315 Avalon Boulevard, Milton, FL 32583

Community Achievement - Presented to the individual, business, or industry or organization that has achieved a major milestone or finalized a legacy project in our community.

Nomination: _____

Justification: _____

Volunteer of the Year - Recognizes the outstanding efforts and contributions by an individual totally on a volunteer basis, which has a positive impact in the community.

Nomination: _____

Justification: _____

Business of the Year – Recognizes a business or industry that made a significant impact in our community or achieved a major goal.

Nomination: _____

Justification: _____

Emerging Leader of the Year - Recognizes the member who has shown significant potential for leadership in business or community endeavors and who is expected to continue to have a positive impact in our community.

Nomination: _____

Justification: _____

Community Leader of the Year – Recognizes a non-business person or volunteer who has made outstanding contributions to the community in the form of a special project or service or a series of projects or services.

Nomination: _____

Justification: _____

Woman of the Year – Recognizes an individual who stood out from all the others as having had a major impact on the community and county during this past year.

Nomination: _____

Justification: _____

Man of the Year – Recognizes an individual who stood out from all others as having had a major impact on the community and county during this past year.

Nomination: _____

Justification: _____

Hall of Fame - Recognizes that person who has had a significant and continuing impact on the community and county through their dedication, concern, and long-term commitment to service.

Nomination: _____

Justification: _____



The A.M. Network

Chair: Tracy Allen, Goosehead Insurance

Thank you to our Sponsor:

Bruce Baker, MBA-RE/MAX Infinity



51 Chamber members and guests came together at The Cutting Board in Milton on October 25th for our monthly A.M. Network breakfast, generously sponsored by Team Bruce Baker MBA-RE/MAX Infinity. It was also our Sailor-of-the-Quarter, recognition presented by the Navy League Santa Rosa Council, and we honored three sailors from NAS-Whiting Field.

**Congratulations split-the-pot winner:
Juan Vazquez**



DOOR PRIZES! Thank you to our door prize sponsors: Eglin Federal Credit Union, The Panhandle Book Club, & Team Bruce Baker, MBA-RE/MAX Infinity. Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to making this event a success!

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- 2) Shared Banner at Judge's Table
- 3) Facebook Cover Photo
- 4) LOGO Thank you Banner on Santa Float

Candy Land

\$500

- 1) Shared Banner at Judge's Table
- 2) Logo on Facebook Cover Photo
- 3) Logo on Thank You Banner

Toy Solider

\$750

- 1) Preferred Spot in Parade Route (Selected by Parade Organizers)
- Shared Banner at Judge's Table
- 2) Facebook Cover Photo
- 3) LOGO on Thank you Banner on Santa Float

CONTACT:

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Chamber Networking Lunch

Chair: Jeremy Reeder, Reeder Financial Group

Thank you to our sponsor:

Cumulus Media



*Congratulations split-the-pot winner:
Tim Gamble*



Our Networking Lunch on October 11th at Ace's Hangar in Milton was attended by 32 members and guests. Thank you, Cumulus Media, for their generous sponsorship and informative presentation, and we look forward to seeing everyone at our next networking event.



**CHRISTMAS
VENDOR MARKET &
FILIPINO FOOD TO-GO!**

**23
NOV** | **ST. ROSE OF LIMA
PARISH HALL
11AM - 6PM**

The poster features a green background with a large red Santa hat with a white pom-pom on the left. Two decorated Christmas trees with yellow stars and colorful ornaments are on either side. White snowflakes are scattered throughout the scene.



Santa Rosa Creek Band
**CREEK
FEST '24**

SAVE THE DATES
SAT • SUN
NOVEMBER
23RD • 24TH

The poster has a blue background with a large, colorful eagle in the center. It is surrounded by several hexagonal photo cutouts showing people in traditional or historical costumes, a man playing a trumpet, and children. The text is in white and red.

AMBASSADORS - TEAM WORK MAKES THE CHAMBER WORK!

November Featured Ambassador Linda Clark

with
LC Creative Productions



The featured Ambassador for this month is Linda Clark with LC Creative Productions. She has been an ambassador since 2016. Linda is the smiley face that goes around taking pictures at many of our Santa Rosa Chamber events. She is a very important part of our Ambassadorship program. I personally want to thank her for her encouragement. She has such a positive outlook and a warm heart.

You are the BEST! Greatly appreciate YOU!

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CHAMBER FACTS

- The Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce is 87 years old this year.
- We currently have 657 active members. 19% of our membership is based in Escambia County.
- Your Chamber is also the official Tourist & Visitors Information Center for Central/North Santa Rosa County.
- Your Chamber does not receive any outside funding and is supported by membership dues and various fundraisers.
- We currently have two full-time and one part-time staff on payroll.
- As per October 15, 2024, we have answered 1,351 phone calls, assisted 430 walk-in visitors, and signed up 83 new members. We held 49 ribbon cuttings and responded to 41 written requests for information. Our website had over 13,000 visitors who generated more than 25,000 page views.
- The most interesting question this month was: "Where do I go to pay my phone bill?"

www.SRCChamber.com

Your Chamber's



**new
hours**

Monday-Friday
8:30 a.m.-4:00p.m.
Closed for Lunch 1:00p.m.-2:00p.m.



Expect success for the holidays!
...and be stapped for it!


Join My Staffing Workshop to Learn:

- What today's staffing companies do differently!
- Staffing companies vs Indeed - who does it better?
- Different staffing companies' price in different ways - learn how!
- Why using Staffing is Good Business for Your Business!

When: **Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2024**

Time: **1PM- 2:30PM**

Where: **Santa Rosa County Chamber**
4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton



Speaker: **Lisa Marie Allen**

(850) 861-9368
lallen@projob.com

Business of the Month

Stonebrook Golf Club



celebrating 35 years

3200 Cobblestone Drive
Pace, FL 32571
Phone: (850) 994-7171

Visit: www.Stonebrook-club.com



Presents:

NETWORKING 101

Improve and measure your networking results.

Tuesday, November 12th

11:30 AM-1 PM

At the Santa Rosa County Chamber

Come join us for FREE!

Brown bag your lunch.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

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Blue Arbor, Inc.

BNI TriCities

Dr. Georgianna Bryant, Individual Member

Express Employment Professionals

**Greater Bethlehem African Methodist
Episcopal Church**

Gwendolyn Sachar, Individual Member

HCA Florida Healthcare

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***Thank You For The Opportunity
To Continue To Serve You!***



Santa Rosa County Veterans Memorial Foundation will be holding their Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony on November 11th, 2024. Any organization wishing to participate in the parade is ask to contact Vickie Powers at the Veterans Memorial at 850-860-2427 or email us at vetplaza@santarosa.fl.gov or santarosa.veterans.memorial.plaza@gmail.com.

Thank you

E.D.G.E.

(Economic Development, Growth & Education)

GET INFORMED - STAY UPDATED!

Chair: Lee Irving, LandrumHR

Thank you to all who attended and
to our October
guest speaker

**Mark Van Wagenen,
Crumbl Cookie**



Guest speaker, Mark Van Wagenen with Crumbl Cookie spoke about the business and the foundation of how he got to where he is today and his foundation, <https://www.iamhalspal.org/>



THANK YOU Crumbl Cookies
for the delicious cookies and Jaime Cottrell for the muffins.

**Talk to the Chamber to find out ways that
you and your business can**

**VOLUNTEER FOR YOUR
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**To find out how you can help...
Call Nicole at (850) 623-2339.**



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- ✓ Pictures with Santa Claus
- ✓ Fun holiday craft
- ✓ Delicious holiday treats

Saturday, December 7, 2024
1 PM - 5 PM
5256 Alabama St. Milton, FL 32570

 Early Learning

MILITARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chair: Steve Rhodes, Florida Power & Light



**Thank You to Our Guest Speaker
CMDR Setphanie Bichi,
NAS Whiting Field**



**Thank you to
Leonardo Helicopters
for sponsoring lunch from
Firehouse Subs in Milton.**



Lakeview Center secures \$320,000 Florida Blue Mental Wellbeing Grant

Pensacola, Fla. (Oct. 2, 2024) – Lakeview Center has been awarded a mental wellbeing grant for \$320,000 over the next four years from the Florida Blue Foundation – the only organization in Northwest Florida to receive this prestigious funding. This grant will be instrumental in enhancing Lakeview Center’s efforts to develop a robust behavioral health workforce pipeline through expanded internship opportunities and community outreach.

With the support of the Florida Blue Foundation, Lakeview Center will hire a dedicated internship coordinator to serve as a liaison to educational institutions, including universities, trade schools and high schools to cultivate and promote careers in behavioral health. This strategic initiative aims to address the growing need for qualified professionals in the fields of counseling, social work and nursing, particularly within the behavioral health sector.

Building strong partnerships with educational institutions

Lakeview Center delivers comprehensive behavioral health services across four counties in Northwest Florida, serving communities that include major educational institutions like the University of West Florida, Pensacola State College, Northwest Florida State College, Columbia Southern University and Troy University’s satellite campus. Just an hour away, the University of South Alabama offers additional opportunities for collaboration.

The new internship coordinator will partner with colleges and universities to maintain a steady flow of interns into Lakeview Center’s diverse programs. Targeting students in fields such as social work, counseling, nursing and advanced nursing, the program will provide invaluable hands-on experience across Lakeview Center’s 60 behavioral health programs. Additionally, the coordinator will engage with local high schools to inspire students to explore rewarding careers in behavioral health, paving the way for future professionals in the field.

Expanding internship opportunities across the region

For students already enrolled in related fields, the internship coordinator will work directly with school placement coordinators to facilitate internships, track hours and coordinate tasks between site supervisors and school placement supervisors. The goal is to provide a seamless, supportive experience that prepares students for successful careers in behavioral health.

“Our goal is to develop a pipeline of skilled professionals who are passionate about serving in the behavioral health field,” said Shawn Salamida, president of Lakeview Center. “This grant allows us to build on recent improvements in our intern process so that the students and learning institutions alike have a positive experience. We want the next generation of behavioral health professionals to get their start and grow their careers with Lakeview Center.”

Incentivizing quality supervision

Recognizing the additional responsibilities placed on supervisors who mentor interns, Lakeview Center will implement a stipend program. Qualified supervisors will receive stipends upon the successful completion of internships, incentivizing high-quality supervision and encouraging more licensed staff to participate in the program. This approach not only supports the professional development of interns but also enhances the overall quality of care provided within Lakeview Center's programs.

Lakeview Center's commitment to fostering a well-prepared behavioral health workforce aligns with its mission of helping people and its vision to be the trusted partner in the community.

Florida Blue Foundation supports mental wellbeing across the state

Lakeview Center was among seven organizations to receive mental wellbeing grants from the Florida Blue Foundation – and the only organization in Northwest Florida. The Florida Blue Foundation awarded \$2.4 million to these nonprofits across the state, citing the alarming rise in mental health disorders in recent years and the need to expand access to mental health resources and support.

The nonprofit organizations selected for 2024 grants serve primarily underserved, underinsured and low-income individuals from rural communities.

"At Florida Blue, we believe there is no health without mental health, and we're supporting solutions that help individuals and families thrive," said Pat Geraghty, president and CEO of Florida Blue. "These grants will help address critical gaps in mental health services, particularly for youth and communities that are under resourced. We're proud to partner with these outstanding organizations to make a meaningful difference."

Geraghty made the announcement in Central Florida at Special Hearts Farm, one of the seven nonprofits receiving a grant from the Florida Blue Foundation.

"We're thrilled to support these seven organizations that are dedicated to improving mental well-being in Florida," said Susan Towler, executive director of the Florida Blue Foundation. "By providing funding for proven programs and approaches, we ensure more individuals and families have the tools they need to prioritize their mental health."

Over the past five years, the Florida Blue Foundation has awarded 58 grants totaling \$18.9 million to nonprofit organizations addressing mental health needs in Florida.

For information about mental health services available at Lakeview Center, call 850-469-3500 or visit eLakeviewCenter.org.

About Lakeview Center

Lakeview Center provides comprehensive behavioral health care to adults and children with mental illnesses, drug and alcohol dependencies and intellectual disabilities. Across Northwest Florida, our services range from residential treatment to outpatient counseling, psychiatry, trauma care, treatments for substance misuse and 24/7 crisis support. Learn more at eLakeviewCenter.org.

About Florida Blue Foundation

Florida Blue Foundation enables healthy communities by making grants, building coalitions, and embracing solutions that create a meaningful impact in our communities. More than 8 million Floridians have received services as a result of our community investments since its founding in 2001. Florida Blue Foundation is committed to improve health equity by impacting food security, advancing mental well-being, growing healthy communities, and addressing health disparities. Florida Blue Foundation is a trade name of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida Foundation, Inc., an Independent Licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. For more information, please visit www.FloridaBlueFoundation.com.

Membership Benefit Announcement

Online Membership Directory & Member Hub

As a member, you're automatically listed in our fully searchable Chamber Directory on our Website www.srcchamber.com.

In addition to basic information, your entry can include a logo, social media links, photos, as well as a detailed profile of your business/organization – and, best of all: You can request a password and update your entry yourself anytime (or email us the files and we'll be happy to take care of it for you).

NEW!

Members now have access to our convenient **Member Hub**, which not only lets you view and pay invoices, you can also post jobs openings, coupons, and member-to-member specials!





Save the date!

For Santa Rosa County's Annual Baby Shower

**November 16th, 2024
10AM
4530 Spikes Way Milton, FL 32583**

850-626-6751

healthystartsantarosa.org

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*Coalition of Santa Rosa County
Every baby deserves a healthy start*

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TOYS FOR TOTS



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From American Legion Post 340 through the country & back to the post

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8890 Ashland Ave. Pensacola, FL 32534

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SAFETY BRIEFING: 11:15AM • KSU: 11:30AM

Ride will End at 5:00

Cost is \$10/rider and a new unwrapped toy. There will be a limited number of ride pins available for pre-purchase for \$10. These ride pins can be presented at registration to waive the \$10 portion of registration.

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FOOD DISTRIBUTION



UF/IFAS West Florida Research and Education Center (WFREC), Feeding the Gulf Coast and Waterfront Rescue Mission will feed 500 families in Santa Rosa County and 500 families in Escambia County this Thanksgiving Holiday.

Feeding the Gulf Coast will provide holiday meal boxes that provide each family with a turkey or ham and all the fixings for a Thanksgiving meal. UF/IFAS WFREC and Santa Rosa Farm Bureau will provide locally grown

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NOVEMBER 26, 2024

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Santa Rosa County

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3200 W Desoto Street, Pensacola FL 32505

Contact Robin Vickers for more information: 850-393-7334

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November 15, 2024
Gulf Breeze Community Center
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&
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**Great
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**Gulf Breeze Community Center
800 Shoreline Drive
November 15, 2024
9:00-2:00**

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