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A message from your Chairman, Mike Johnson:

As we step into 2025, I am both humbled and honored to serve as your Chamber of Commerce Chair. As we get rolling into February, I would like to reflect on the achievements of last year and look ahead to the opportunities that await us. This past year, we witnessed the strength, innovation, and resilience that define our local businesses and the Chamber. From the small startups to the long-established enterprises, each of you plays a vital role in shaping our local economy and enriching the lives of our community. Your hard work and commitment inspire me, and it is a privilege to represent such an outstanding network of professionals. A few of the major accomplishments of the Chamber in 2024 were:

·Hiring our new CEO, Jim Ponek, to replace the long-time face of the Chamber, Donna Tucker (Happy Retirement Donna!!!!)
·Re-establishing the Chamber's amazing website (which had been hacked)

·Big and Better events! – 31st Annual Golf Classic, 4th Annual Casino Night, Military Appreciation Picnic, Riverfest)
·Graduated Leadership Santa Rosa Class 37

'Chamber secured a new 15-year loan on our building with United Bank!

As your Chair, my vision for this year is simple yet powerful: growth, impact, and collaboration.

'Growth – With the continued growth of Santa Rosa County, it is imperative the Chamber continues to grow- both in membership numbers and in the services that it provides to its membership. Your success is our success, and we will prioritize initiatives that drive sustainable growth across all sectors.

·Impact – The Chamber and its committee's spend countless hours planning, reviewing, and executing the numerous events that promote the Chamber membership and the body of work the Chamber performs throughout the year. These include Leadership Santa Rosa, The Ambassadors program, networking events (Chamber breakfasts, Business After Hours), ribbon cuttings, Business of the Month, weekly Chamber calendar, RISE Grant, the Santa Rosan newsletter, and countless other benefits that enable membership to promote their business and meet leaders of county businesses. 2025 will also open the possibilities of your Chamber building on Avalon Blvd – various events will be held on site that will showcase the chamber, and a new meeting room/rental space is available to members.

'Collaboration – Together, we are stronger. Deeper partnerships between businesses, local government and community organizations are needed to keep moving the Chamber forward. Let's break down silos and work together to tackle challenges as they arise and seize opportunities.

None of this will be possible without your involvement. Your voice, ideas, and passion are what make the Santa Rosa County Chamber thrive. I encourage each of you to engage, participate, and share YOUR vision for what we can achieve together. Little shout out to Frank Hoskins, the outgoing Chamber Chair. Thanks for your service and guidance as I move into this position. I look forward to serving as your president and working alongside each of you to make this a remarkable year. Here's to a prosperous and inspiring year ahead!

2025 Board Members

Executive Committee

Chairman-Mike Johnson, Individual Member
Vice Chair-Elect-Erin Vaughn, Sunbelt Title
Ambassador Chair- Lee Irving, Landrum Workforce Solutions
Treasurer- Jennifer Micklos, The First
Secretary- Lechia Froman, United Bank

Chamber Board Members

Tracy Allen, Goosehead Insurance
Rhett Fendley, Premier Wealth Management Partners
Frank Hoskins, Owen Hoskins Consulting, LLC, Past Chair
Pastor Jeremy Holley, Immanuel Baptist Church
Debbie Kemp, Pen Air Credit Union
Pete Morgan, Service Matters Realty & Property Management
Mirella Savage, United Way of West Florida
Larry Strain, Individual Member
Bailee Stewart, Lamar Advertising
Robin Vickers, University of Florida, WFREC
Anna Weaver, United Bank

Ex Officio Members

Ed Spears, City of Milton
Captain Ted Elkins, NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer
Bridgette Price, SRC Economic Development Office
Jennifer Hines, SRC School District

A Fond Farewell & Exciting New Beginnings

Dear Members & Friends of the Chamber,

After more than 20 years as the Administrative Assistant and Membership Manager of the Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce, the time has come for me to embark on a new journey. My years at the Chamber have been filled with incredible experiences – never a dull moment! – and I'm grateful for every connection and friendship I've made along the way.

I've had the honor to work with amazing people over the years, and while this transition is bittersweet, I'm excited for what's ahead. I leave knowing that you are in great hands with our President/CEO, Jim Ponek, and Membership & Special Events Coordinator, Jaime Cottrell, who will continue providing the support and service you've come to expect.

Though I'm stepping into a new chapter, I still plan to attend Chamber events as my new position allows, so this isn't goodbye - just "see you soon!" Thank you all for the support, camaraderie, and wonderful memories.

My last day with the Chamber will be February 21, and I hope to say farewell in person. If you're attending our networking lunch that day, please stop by - I'd love to see you!

With best wishes to you all,

Nicole Frenk

February Chamber Calendar

February 3Jay	Chamber Meeting, 11:30 a.m.
Jay	Community Center, 5259 Booker St., Jay

February 5Ribbon Cutting for Jim N Nick's	s BBQ,	10:30	a.m.
Jim N Nick's BBQ, 4625 US-90 I	E. Pace		

February 5	New Member	Orientation,	2:30 p.m.	
	SRC Chamber	of Commerce	. 4315 Avalon	Blvd Milton

February 7Ambassador Lunch, 11:30 a.m.		
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315	Avalon Blvd.	. Milton

February 10......LSR Class 38 Executive Committee Meeting, 4:00 p.m.

February 10......LSR Alumni Meeting, 5:00 p.m.

February 11......Business After Hours, 5:30 p.m.

Beardless Brewhaus-Milton, 5139 Elmira St., Milton

February 17......President's Day, Chamber Closed

February 19......Military Affairs Committee Meeting, 11;30 a.m.

SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton

Febraury 20......LSR ROPES, 8:00 a.m.

Adventures Unlimited, Milton

February 21......Chamber Networking Luncheon, 12- NOON
Ace's Hangar, 3966 Avalon Blvd, Milton

February 24......SRC CoC Board of Directors Meeting, 4:00 p.m.

SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton

February 28...... A.M. Network Breakfast, 7:30 a.m,
The Cutting Board, 5701 Highway 90, Milton

February Community Calendar

- February 1....USS Harry Mudd Star Trek & SF Club Meeting, 4:00 p.m.
 SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton
- February 6...Empowering Women in Business Networking Lunch, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
 Registration is REQUIRED!
 SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton
- February 10...Joiner Law Firm class, 10:30 a.m.

 For more info contact Joiner Law Firm at info@ehjoiner.com

 SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton
- February 11....Milton Garden Club Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
 Magnolia Hall, 5256 Alabama St., Milton
- February 11...Networking 101, 11:30 a.m.

 SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton
- February 11....Navy League Santa Rosa Council Meeting, 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Milton PD, 5451 Alabama St., Milton
- February 11...Milton Dementia Support Group, 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m.
 Clyde L. Gracey Community Center, 5629 Byrom St, Room 113, Milton
- February 11....City of Milton Council Meeting, 5:45 p.m.
 City Hall, 6738 Dixon St., Milton
- February 11....Compassionate Friends Meeting, 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. 7979 N. 9th Ave., Pensacola
- February 12....Kiwanis of Milton Sunrise Meeting. 12 Noon-1:00 p.m.
 SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton
- February 19...S.N.A.P., 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
 Rosie O'Grady's, Seville Quarter, Pensacola

- February 18 ...Dementia Caregiver Support Group, 1:00 p.m.

 The Beacon at Gulf Breeze, 4410 Gulf Breeze Pkwy., Gulf Breeze
- February 18...Milton Amateur Radio Club Meeting, 5:00 p.m.

 SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton
- February 25 ..First Presbyterian Church's Knotty Prayers Ministry, 10:00 a.m.
 Call (850)623–2510 to confirm and for location.
- February 26...Kiwanis of Milton Sunrise Meeting, 12 Noon-1:00 p.m.

 SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton
- February 27...Blackwater Pyrates Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

 SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton
- February 28....Baha'is of Santa Rosa County Meeting, 4:00 p.m.

 SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd., Milton

Reoccurring Weekly Meetings:

- Milton Rotary Club, Tuesdays, Mugshots Grill and Bar, 4955 Hwy 90, Pace- 12 Noon
- BNI Tri-Cities Meeting, Thursdays, SRC CoC, 4315 Avalon Blvd- 7:00 a.m.
- Pace Rotary Club, Thursdays, Stonebrook Golf Club, 3200 Cobblestone Dr., Pace- 7:00 a.m.
- Avalon Baptist Church Bible Study Group, Thursdays, SRC CoC, 4315 Avalon Blvd. 9:30 a.m.



Be an Ambassador!

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 us at (850)623-2339.



Check out more photos and events on our website: www.srcchamber.com.

Let's welcome our newest members!

Welcome to YOUR Chamber!

Chelsea Boatwright-Elected Official (850) 595-1036-Pensacola

The Wellness Way - Milton https://www.thewellnessway.com (850) 542-7163

Buice Accounting LLC http://www.buiceaccounting.com (448) 204-0289

The Ashborough Luxury Garden Apartments http://www.ashborough.com (850) 626-2600

Kristin Quigg LLC (757) 955-0079

Membership Milestones

20 years
Rotary Club of Pace

5 years

DNT Holdings, LLC

1 year
The Makery
Kyle Holley

Members of the Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce

1st Judicial Circuit Guardian ad Litem Program 82 Magnolia Aesthetics 90Works

A Cut Above Landscaping & Property Maintenance A Cut Above Landscaping & Property Maintenance A HOPE

A Jouful Noise Music Store

A Loyal Vision LLC Aaron Williams

ABATE of Florida, Inc. Gulf Coast Chapter Absolute Zenergy Massage & Bodywork, LLC

Accelerating Futures. Inc. Ace's Hangar Southern Grill & Bar

Adams Homes of Northwest Florida, Inc.

Adams Sanitation Address-O-Lite

Adrian Woods Homeowners Association

Advance Insurance of Northwest Florida, Inc.

Adventures Unlimited Outdoor Center, Inc.

All Pro Tune Up All Risk Insurance. Inc.

Alussa's

American Heritage Financial

American Legion, Post 78

Amvets Post 1292

Angels Care Home Health of the Emerald Coast

Animal Hospital of Pea Ridge

Anytime Fitness

Apprise Video Productions, Commercial Photography, Sound System Rentals

Armor Service Group

Ashley Furniture/1915 South

Ashley Jeffrey

AT&T

Atlas Roofing

Avalon Baptist Church

B & C Nurseru. Inc.

Bagdad Cemetery Association, Inc.

Bagdad Village Preservation Association

Baha'is of Santa Rosa County

Baptist Health Care

Bar Strength and Conditioning LLC

Baskerville-Donovan, Inc.

Baskets of Dreams, LLC

Beardless Brewhaus - Pace

Beardless Brewhaus, LLC

Beltone NWF

Best Western/Milton Inn & Suites Better Business Bureau of Northwest Florida

Better Homes and Gardens-Real Estate Main Street Properties

Big Brothers Big Sisters of NW Florida

Blackwater Bay Mercantile

Blackwater Bay Tours

Blackwater Bistro

Blackwater Ducks Unlimited

Blackwater Health Blackwater Purates. Inc.

Blackwater River Correctional and Rehabilitation Facility

Blessing Nails

Bliss Woodcraft & Design LLC

Blue Arbor, Inc.

BluMac Property Management

BluMac Realtu

BNI TriCities

Bob Asmus

Bob Johnson

Bobcat of Pensacola

Boogie, Inc.

Boomerang Pizza Kitchen & General Store

Boy Scouts of America, Gulf Coast Council

Boyett's Vacuum Pumping & Portable Restrooms

Buffalo Rock Co.

Buice Accounting LLC

Business Essentials. LLC

Butler's Auto Recycling

Butterflies in Motion, Inc.

C.H. Trees LLC

Cajun Crab Company, LLC

Camp Fire Gulf Wind, Inc. Can Do Home Inspections

Card My Yard Milton, FL

CareerSource Escarosa

Carson Construction. Inc.

Cat Country 98.7/News Radio 1620/92.3 FM

CbreezeR's

CCC & Powerwashing LLC

Cela Fitness Society

Chavers Construction. Inc.

Chelsea Boatwright

CHM. Inc. dba Freedom Homes

Citizens Moving Forward, Inc.

City of Gulf Breeze

City of Milton

CKD Remodeling, Inc.

Claiming America LLC

Clark Gas Company

Clark's Lock & Safe

Clinic Infinity LLC

Clyde's Well Service

Coast To Country Realty

Coastal Pix Photo Booth

Coastal Wildlife Removal

Coldwell Banker

Coldwell Banker - Felicia Fortune Northcutt Coldwell Banker - Kimberly McConkey

Community Health Northwest Florida

Complete Technology Solutions Group, LLC

Comprehensive Dental Center

Conexon

Constant Contact

CorpCare Associates, Inc.

Cotton Electric, Inc.

Cotton Real Estate. Inc.

Covington Mercantile + Coffee Company, LLC

Cox Business

CPC Office Technologies

Crestview Area Chamber of Commerce

Critter Control

Crosspoint Church, Inc.

Culpepper Printing Co. Inc.

Cumulus Media

CWF Entertainment, LLC

D.R. Horton

Damn Fine Jobs LLC Dan Stewart PA

Dave Murzin

Davis Roofing & Sheetmetal, LLC

Defenders of Freedom-FL Inc.

Dermatology Specialists of Florida

DG Math Tutoring Services Diane Scott

Dick Hohorst

Dollman Sustems, LLC

Domino's Take Out & Delivery Woodbine

Donald ("Don") Spencer

Donald Taylor

Dough Ray Mi Bakery

Dr. Joel Rudman, FL State Representative, District 3

Drug Free Workplaces

Durst & Jordan, CPA, PAESS

Early Learning Coalition of Santa Rosa County

Ears 2 Hear

East Coast Title & Escrow

East Milton Water System, Inc.

Eaton's Creations/Uproarious Ends

EC Powersports Crestview LLC dba Big Gus Tractor & Equipment

EcoView Windows & Doors

Eddie Hobbs Automotive

Edward A. McGrath Photography

Eglin Federal Credit Union

Elizabeth Hewey

Emerald Coast Baths, Inc. dba Re-Bath

Emerald Coast Hospice

Emerald Coast Notary Service

Emerald Coast Veterans Alliance, Inc.

Emmanuel, Sheppard & Condon

Eric Cabaniss State Farm Insurance

Eric Seib Escambia River Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Escape LOL

Express Employment Professionals Express Oil Change + Service Center

Family and Community Education of Northwest Florida dba FACE of

Northwest Florida Family Housing of Santa Rosa, Inc.

Fast Cash ATM Services

FBB Insurance

Feeding the Gulf Coast

Firehouse Subs

First Baptist Church of Milton

First Pentecostal Church of Bagdad First Presbuterian Church

First Tee Gulf Coast

First United Methodist Church of Milton

Fisher Cabinet Co., LLC Fisher House of the Emerald Coast, Inc. Five Star Painting of Pensacola

Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 210

Floor Coverings International

Florida Army National Guard Florida Blue

Florida Department of Health in Santa Rosa County

Florida Insurance Agency Florida Pest Control

Florida Power & Light

Jersey Mike's Subs Florida Small Business Development Center @ UWF Mike Johnson Jim Moore Flunn Built Miller CPAs & Advisors Jim 'N Nick's Community Bar-B-Q For the Children of Milton, Inc. Milton Amateur Radio Club JoAnn Gossett Frank Hoskins Milton Gulf Pines KOA Joe Baker Construction, Inc. Freeman Roofing Milton High School John David Elliott, PA, CPA Friendship Baptist Church Milton High School Band Parent Association John Kelley Handyman Service Fusion Fine Wine & Spirits, Inc. Milton High School Quarterback Club John Melvin Christian College Gather@Alussa's Milton Nail Lounge John Phillips Mobile Florida Blue Center - Northwest Florida Georgieanna Bryant John Starrett Photography Moffatt & Nichol **Ginger Pace** Joiner Law Firm **Goldring Gulf Distributing Company** Moms for Liberty, Santa Rosa Chapter Jr Peaden Septic Service, Inc. Goosehead Insurance Monster BoltsMooneyham Heating & Air Conditioning **Juicy Lemons** Gospel Projects YAC Youth Athletic Club Morale, Welfare and Recreation Naval Air Station Whiting Field Julie Ziegenhorn Grace Bible Church Mott MacDonald, LLC Just One More Farm Gracie L. Turner My Father's Arrows, Inc. Karen Barber Grand Realtu. Inc. NAACP Unit 5094 Karen Haworth **Granny Nannies National Bank Products** Keller Williams Realtu Graye's Granite, Inc. Natural Gas of Milton **Kennedy Financial Solutions** Greater Bethlehem African Methodist Episcopal Church **Navarre Beach Area Chamber of Commerce** Kia AutoSport Greater Pensacola Chamber **Nelly Emerson - Dream Vacations** Kings Roofing LLC Greater Pensacola Society for Human Resource Management Nixon's Formalwear Kiwanis Club of Milton Sunrise Greenhut Construction Company, Inc. **NOLA Lending Group Knox Pest Control Grea Cowell** Northwest Florida Defense Coalition Kona Ice of Gulf Breeze Guernsey Financial LLC Northwest Florida Military Spouse Chamber of Commerce Kris Long **Gulf Breeze Area Chamber of Commerce** Northwestern Mutual Kristin Quiqq LLC **Gulf Breeze Recoveru Nouveau Pastries & Catering** Kyle Holley **Gulf Coast Insurance** Office Pride Commercial Cleaning Services L.E.A.D. Academy Classical School Gulf Coast Minority Chamber of CommerceGulf Coast Sexual Assault Program Okaloosa Gas District Lamar Advertising **Gulf Coast Tents** Oksana Sumskaja Lance Cook Marketing & Consulting Services **Gulf Winds Credit Union** Olson Land Partners, LLC Landrum Opening Doors Northwest Florida, Inc. Gwendolun Sachar Larry Strain **H&H Residential Plans. LLC** Own. Inc. **LC Creative Productions** Hadji Shriners **Pace Assembly Ministries** LegalShield **Hammerhead Home Projects** Pace Fire Rescue District Leonardo Helicopters, USA Hancock Whitney **Pace Handyman Services** Levin Rinke Realty Ashley Murray **Harvesters Credit Union Pace High School** Levin Rinke Realty Candace Hecht **HCA** Florida Healthcare Pace Water Sustem. Inc. Levin Rinke Realty Kimberly Cook Healthy Start Coalition of Santa Rosa Co., Inc. Panhandle Book Club Inc. Lewis Funeral Home Milton Heaton Brothers Construction Co., Inc. Panhandle Butterfly House Lewis Funeral Home Pace Panhandle Growers, Inc. **Helen Spears** Liberty Church - Milton **Henry Company Homes** Life Options Clinic **Herb Cannon** Lifeguard Ambulance Service of Florida PARTNER.CO Hidden Oak Farm LifeQuest Organ Recovery Services Hixardt Technologies, Inc. **Patriot Pest Management** LifeView Group Holley-Navarre Water System Paul Patrick Electric, Inc. Lindsay & Andrews Attorneys at Law Home Builders Association of West FL Peaden, LLC Locklin Insurance Agency, Inc. Home Instead Pen Air Credit Union Locklin Technical College Honey Bee Plumbing Pensacola Blue Wahoos Love's Travel Stops **Howard Young Flooring** Luann Lamoureux **Hummingbirds Flowers & Events** Pensacola News Journal Lucky Dog Boutique & Spa, Inc. **Immanuel Baptist Church** Pensacola State College MainStreet Family Care **ImperialDade** Pensacola Tent Rentals Majors Home Improvement Irreverent Warriors Fort Walton Beach/Destin Manna Food Bank, Inc. dba Manna Food Pantries Islander Pro Wash Petsense Manpower James Calkins PHD Realty, LLC Marcus Pointe Baptist Church Jami's Nails & Spa Mary Kay Independent Sales Director Jansen Kitchen & Bath Pinelands Nursery Company Matt Baker Jason English Pink Pig Pressure Wash MBDA Rural Business Center Jay Area Chamber of Commerce **Posh Color Bar** McCombs Electrical Company Inc. Jay Funeral Chapel, Inc. Posh Party Pace McKenzie Motor Company Jau Hospital Mediacom JDNT Holdings, LLC Primerica Financial Services Medical Weight Loss Clinics of Florida LLC Jeff Stanford Members First Credit Union of Florida

Michele A. Williams - Realtor Brokered by Real Broker, LLC

Panhandle Warrior Partnership Paradise Screen Printing & Embroidery Pensacola Habitat for Humanity Perdido Key Area Chamber of Commerce Pineapple Coast Interiors & Vacation Rental Management Powerhouse Compressor CompanyPremier Wealth Management Partners Pro Vita Physical Therapy

ProHealth **Project Chess Club** PruittHealth-Santa Rosa **Quality Roofing Solutions, LLC** Quick Start Weight Loss & Wellness Clinic Rapid Response Team LLC Ray & Debra EddingtonRed Roof Inn & Suites Reddulce **Redneck Riviera Smokers** Reeder Financial Group Regions Bank - Milton Branch Regions Mortgage Renasant Bank Resolute Care Services **Retired Senior Volunteer Program Rhett Rowell RideOn Commuter Services** Ridge Back Renovations **Riverside Wealth Advisors RM Integrations Robert's Pools** Ronnie Goode Rotary Club of Milton Rotary Club of Pace **Rowell Roofing Corp** Rubber and Specialties, Inc. Ruffin It Up Inc. **RX Express Pharmacu** Salter Company - Gracie Edwards Salter Company - Paul Salter Salter Company - Saki Filios Saltmarsh, Cleaveland & Gund Sandpaper Marketing, Inc. Sandy Ridge Center for Rehabilitation and Healing Sandy Sansing Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Sandy Sansing Milton Chevrolet Santa Rosa Adult School Santa Rosa Band of the Lower Muscogee, Inc. Santa Rosa Center for Rehabilitation and Healing Santa Rosa Community Theatre Santa Rosa County Clerk of Courts & Comptroller Santa Rosa County Economic Development Office Santa Rosa County Extension Service Santa Rosa County Fair Association, Inc. Santa Rosa County Federal Credit Union Santa Rosa County Library Administration Santa Rosa County Property Appraiser Santa Rosa County School Board, District 1 Santa Rosa County School District Santa Rosa County Supervisor of Elections Santa Rosa County Tax Collector Santa Rosa County Veterans Memorial Foundation Santa Rosa Education Foundation Santa Rosa Energy Center LLC Santa Rosa Historical Society, Inc. Santa Rosa Kids' House Santa Rosa Medical Center Santa Rosa Press Gazette Santa Rosa Professional Educators

Schuyler Field

Scott Klemm

Service Matters Association Management, Inc. Service Matters Property Management Service Matters Realty, Inc. Servpro Santa Rosa County Shelby Richardson Signcrafters of NWFL, Inc. Sonny's BBQ Sorrells Marketing Southern Site & Utility Design, Inc. Southern Sno SouthState Bank Speedy Land Clearing and Management LLC Splash RV Resort + Water Park Sport & Wheat, CPA, PA Milton Sport & Wheat, CPA, PA Pace SpringHill Suites Marriott Navarre Beach St. Mary's Episcopal Church St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church Star One/Projob Staffing Step One Automotive Group Steve Fischer STOA Architects Stonebrook Golf Club Storage King USA **Strand Core** Sunbelt Title Agency Sunburst RV Resort, Inc. Superior Fence & Rail Superior Spray Service, Inc. **Swaggy Carts** Swisher Plumbing LLC Synovus Tadlock Roofing Taminco U.S. / Eastman Chemical Company, Pace Operations Tanglewood Golf and Country Club Team Bruce Baker, MBA @ RE/MAX Infinity TeamLogic IT Terhaar & Cronley Property Company, Inc. Texas Roadhouse That Text Guy The Arc of the Emerald Coast The Ashborough Luxury Garden Apartments The Backyard Barn The Beacon The BugMeisters of Household Termite & Pest Control LLC The Compassionate Friends The Cutting Board The Daily Page\$ The Eagle Group The First The Garden Cafe The H.T. Hackney Co. The Hearing Doctor, Inc. The Kathy Batterton Team at Levin Rinke Realty The Makeru The Milton Garden Club of Florida, Inc. The Open Rose The Oval Office The Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Information Center The Penton House Salon & Day Spa

The Ready Room The Realty Box, Inc. The Residence The Shoppe at St. Mary's The Sweet Greek Milton FL The Tool Shack The UPS Store #4078 The Wellness Way - Milton Tiffany A. Sullivan, PLLC Tiffany Nolan Tiny Acres Northwest Florida, Inc Town of Jay Tractor Supply #2777 Trahan Family Funeral Home of Milton Trent's Prints & Publishing Troy University Two Men And A Truck Moving & Storage **United Bank Milton** United Bank Pace United Way of West Florida University of Florida, WFREC University of West Florida UNWIND Chiropractic & Wellness **USA** Mortgage **USS Harry Mudd** V.F.W. Post 4833 Vacay Village of Pensacola, LLC Venture Realty Victoria Bell Vision of Hope W.H. Rhodes Elementary School **Waste Pro** Water Works Sprinkler Systems, Inc. Watson Family Dentistry Weber's Skate World WeddingWalls Event Decor and Rentals Wendy's Weslee's Mobile Detailing West Florida Area Health Education Center West Florida Baptist Church West Florida Railroad Museum, Inc. West Florida Trophies Whataburger - Milton Whataburger - Pace Whip-It Inventions, Inc. Whisper Creek Village Whiting Field Homes Whitworth Builders. Inc. **Woodbine Animal Clinic** Wordwalk, Inc. **WOW Radio** Yamato Japanese Steakhouse Milton Inc. Your Pace Yoga Studio



MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Advertising Opportunities

Internet Exposure

The Chamber provides a user-friendly, informative Website that includes community calendars, maps, and area information. Members are listed by category, including e-mail and Web address. Members may list their events in the online calendar.

Quarterly Chamber Newsletter "The Santa Rosan"

The Santa Rosan is distributed digitally to all Chamber members as well as the public via the Chamber Website and Facebook page. New business members are briefly profiled with a photo and write-up in addition to one free 1/2 page promotional article. All members can submit stories and updates or purchase very affordable advertising.

Grand Openings/Ribbon Cuttings

These ceremonies, which increase the visibility of new or expanding businesses, are available to Chamber members. Pre-and post-event publicity is provided in the letter as well as through local media and the Chamber Website and Facebook page.

Member Sponsorships

High visibility and advertising value is offered to members who sponsor a Chamber event, such as Business After Hours, Chamber Networking Lunch, The A.M. Network, Annual Community Awards & Installation Lunch, Annual Chamber Golf Tournament, Casino Night, Jeep Show, Car/Motorcycle Show, and others. When you sponsor an event, your company name is prominently displayed and promoted. Pre-event publicity and mailing offer broad advertising exposure at no additional cost above the sponsorship fee.

E-mail Notices & Weekly Calendar

The Chamber keeps members up to date on important issues, events, meetings, promotions, grand openings, ribbon cuttings, and much, much more via e-mail. Only members may contribute to this "Your Weekly Chamber Calendar", which is sent out every Monday morning.

SRC Chamber & Tourist Information

Center Marquee

The Chamber of Commerce has a full-color electronic marquee located in front of the building facing Avalon Boulevard available for announcements to Chamber members only. Approximately 30,000 vehicles pass this board each day!

Networking Opportunities Business After Hours

Held the first or second Tuesday of each month from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at different locations, these informal get-togethers provide a forum for lively networking.

The A.M. Network

Join this early morning group, which meets the last Friday of each month at 7:30 a.m. at The Cutting Board in Milton.

Participants benefit from a variety of speakers on topics of vital concern to the business community. In addition, each quarter the Navy League recognizes the Sailor-of-the-Quarter program for NAS Whiting Field.

All members are encouraged to attend to make announcements for their business.

New members and guests are welcomed and encouraged to introduce themselves and their product or business.

Networking Lunch

Every third Friday of each month, members enjoy a leisurely lunch at Ace's Hangar in Milton, featuring a guest speaker, community announcements, and Chamber updates. Great networking opportunity!

Chamber Committees

We invite our members to participate in any of our active, dynamic committees, covering a wide range of interests: EDGE (Economic/Development/Growth/Education) MAC (Military Affairs Committee) Non-Profit Resource & Development Roundtable

Santa Rosa Young Professionals Legislative Coalition Committee **Ambassadors Committee**

Business Opportunities

Mailing Labels

Only members may obtain a complete set of labels for direct-mailing information to the 600+ members of the Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce. This allows you to develop a database of business prospects.

Business Referral Service

Each year, hundreds of referrals of Chamber business members are given to potential customers in response to inquiries from tourists, the business community, and the general population. In addition, only Chamber member information is included in relocation and visitor information packets available on our website.

Promotional Display

Only members may display their business cards or promotional materials in the Chamber office, providing exposure to hundreds of potential customers annually.

Tax Deductibility

Membership in the Chamber is 100% tax deductible as a business expense.

Additional Benefits

Meeting Room Use

The Chamber's Meeting Rooms are provided to members free of charge up to 10 hrs per month on a first come-first serve basis. Call to confirm availability.

Bulk Mail Permit Use

Members may use the Chamber bulk mail stamp, thus saving the \$350 annual fee and allowing average savings of \$50+ per mail-out.

Special Programs and Events

Leadership Santa Rosa

A ten-month training program in which participants receive leadership skills training and direct contact with the organizations, institutions, and people in decision and policy making positions central to the process of change and growth in Santa Rosa County.

Annual Community Awards &

Officers Installation Lunch

Held each January to install new Chamber officers and give recognition to outstanding community leaders and volunteers.

Chamber Committees at Work in Our

Communitu

Determine which of these active committees can benefit you or your business - and feel invited to attend our monthly meetings!

Annual Chamber Installation Lunch

·Annual Chamber Golf Tournament

Business After Hours

·Chamber Ambassadors

·Chamber Networking Lunch

'The A.M. Network Breakfast

·E.D.G.E. (Economic Development Growth & Education) Meeting

·Leadership Santa Rosa

·Military Affairs Committee

·Military Appreciation Picnic

Office Hours

Monday through Friday, 9 am-4 pm

Closed for all federal holidays.

Thanks to our sponosors for our 88th Annual Community Awards and Installation Luncheon





Community Achievement- Council on Aging West Florida
Volunteer of the Year- Tim Trowbridge
Business of The Year- Weber's Skate World
Emerging Leader of the Year- Rhett Rowell
Community Leader of the Year- Sam Young
Woman of the Year-Kelley Sanders
Man of the Year- Eric Seib
Hall of Fame- Chief Tony Tindell
Ambassador of the Year- Juan Vazquez
Chairman's Award- Nicole Frenk
Fred Hunter Award- Rick Paschall



1st Annual Jeep Show

Registration is \$35

Sponored by:



50/50 Raffle

Adult Janga

Corn Hole Tourney

Food Trucks

Jeep Ride after event (not associated with **Chamber**)

Goodie Bags

DUCK! DUCKS! DUCKS!



Contact Jaime at info@srcchamber.com or (850) 623-2339 for more information.



Saturday, March 15th 9:00 a.m.



Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commercee 4315 Avalon Blvd. Milton, FL

"What has the Chamber done for me?"

Let us know and we will share it with our members! We want the good, bad or ugly, we hope it all is good! Email us at info@srcchamber.com

"I was able to utilize one of the Chamber's conference rooms to meet with a client to discuss plans for their new location. The account loved the building and the professional atmosphere that the location provides. Thankful that my membership provides me monthly access to these rooms when I need it! Do all your members know of this perk?

Thanks again"

Mike Johnson, Wood Fruitticher

Leadership Santa Rosa Class 38 Kicks Off Their Best Year Ever





It was a cold and rainy day on Friday, January 10th. The perfect weather to be trapped inside with the thirty-two members of Class 38 as they started off their year in the Leadership Santa Rosa program sponsored by the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce. The diverse group quickly got to meet and work with each other during a simulation exercise held at the Spring Hill Suites in Navarre. At dinner we learned more about the class and some of their connections. The newest leadership class contains members from the Santa Rosa County School District, NAS Whiting Field, Santa Rosa County Government and various businesses located in Santa Rosa County. We even learned that two high school classmates were reconnected in the class.

At the end of the two-day event Class 38 achieved their goal of getting to know their fellow community and business leaders as well as prepare themselves for the upcoming year of adventure. The class will explore the issues, opportunities, and challenges facing Santa Rosa County and Northwest Florida today and in the future. We look forward to this class as they become the Best Class Ever!

"Think left and think right and think low and think high. It's better to know how to learn than to know."
-Dr. Seuss



Business Membership

Benefits of Membership

- Reduce sick call outs through enhanced access to the provider and same day or next day appointments
- Improve employee health and reduce hospitalizations with unlimited monthly visits
- Ensure faster returns to work with in house labs and free or reduced on site medications
- · Improved employee retention through direct access to healthcare
- · No cost DOT physicals after 3 months of membership

Affordable

Business Member pricing is \$50 per month per employee. There is an initial one time membership fee of \$40 per employee. This places you, the employer, at \$0.30 per hour per employee. Family members can be added on as well at the same rate. There is no minimum length of membership.

Why We Started

Access to healthcare is a fundamental necessity. Yet nearly 2.5 million Floridians do not have healthcare coverage. Blackwater Health was created to provide you and your employees with personalized yet affordable care. We do this by providing you with transparent prices and a focus on quality patient interactions.

How We Can Help You

Employee retention has always been one of the more difficult tasks of any business. Larger corporations can offer benefits that are out of the reach for most small business owner. We are offering special business rates to help you retain your most valuable assets.

REVITALIZE OUR COMMUNITY

If you have a desire to give back to the community in a meaningful way, we invite you to become a volunteer for United Way of West Florida's VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Program!

The VITA Program provides tax preparation assistance to hardworking individuals and families in Escambia and Santa Rosa counties. This service is 100% free to those who come to our sites for income tax preparation.

BENEFITS TO VOLUNTEERING

- Flexible volunteer hours
 - Local tax preparing sites
- Rewarding experience directly assisting our neighbors in need.
- Learn a new skill that will serve you for a lifetime
- Receive IRS certification as a volunteer tax preparer
 - Resume builder



DID YOU KNOW? Last year VITA Volunteers:





852

\$200,000

tax returns filed by VITA volunteers for FREE!

saved by individuals and families in tax return fees

\$850,000

in refunds brought back into our community!

GET STARTED

Learn more and sign up to be a VITA volunteer at uwwf.org/vita.

Join us Tuesdays for virtual informational sessions.

If you have any questions about VITA please contact mike.eveland@uwwf.org.





Tips to Get the Most Value From Your Pest Treatments

Prepare Your Home in Advance

Clean areas where pests are commonly found, such as kitchens, bathrooms, and storage spaces.

Communicate with Your Patriot Pest Control Technician & Office Staff

Provide detailed information about the pests you've observed, including their type, location, and behaviors.



Maintain a Clean Environment

Keep outdoor trash bins sealed and away from your home.

Follow Post-Treatment Instructions

Refrain from cleaning treated areas for the time advised by the technician.

Contact our Pest Professionals to schedule your FREE Inspection: **850-994-3990** or scan here:



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