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A Message from Chairman, Mike Johnson

Hard to believe that we are in the last quarter of another year. I am looking forward to the cooler weather that comes with fall! As the year winds down, so will my last few months serving as Chairman of the Board for the Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce.

I want to make sure to thank the Executive Committee and Board members for their support in ensuring that we not only have a roadmap to follow each year, but also hold each other accountable for ensuring programs, projects, and day to day business is handled as well.

Speaking of day to day, nothing happens without the efforts of Jim Ponek and Jaime Cottrell. The true faces of the Chamber, one or both are at the majority of events conducted by the Chamber. Most people no idea how much work goes on behind the scenes to pull off the events and programming the Chamber conducts. Without these two, everyone's work load regarding the Chamber would increase exponentially.

Lastly, I would be remiss not to thank the most important people of the Chamber... you the members. Without your support, there is no Chamber. Without your input and participation, there is no networking, promotion of local business, and community growth. The support you show for each other and the Chamber's programs are not only motivating, but encouraging for the future growth of our county. I challenge each of you not only to continue to be members of the Chamber, but to stay or get involved. Monthly networking events are great opportunities to talk about your business and meet new people. Annual events such as the Chamber's golf tournament and Casino Night have become staples of the community and are eagerly anticipated every year. If you have not been, see you next year! Finally, if you still cannot get enough, sign up to become an Ambassador for the Chamber. This group of members give back by attending ribbon cuttings and promoting the Chamber and the county on a seemingly daily basis. Plenty of ways to get and stay involved.

Finally, I would like to wish the next Chairman, best of luck. You have a great team in place and 600 members to keep moving the Chamber and its mission forward in 2027 and beyond. I look forward to what the Chamber will accomplish under your direction and leadership.

Thanks again for everyone for a great 2026! See you at a future Chamber event!

Car Show



2026 Board Members

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Chairman-Mike Johnson, Individual Member
Community Outreach Chair-Jeremy Reeder, Reeder Financial Services
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Business of the Month

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Welcome to YOUR Chamber!

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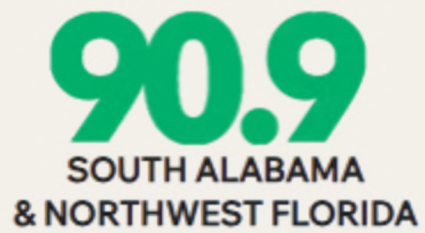
Be an ambassador!

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.

Lee Irving, Ambassador Chair, Landrum HR
Crystal Foster, Ambassador Co-Chair, USA Mortgage
Angie Carpenter, Pen Air Credit Union
Becky McCaa, Home Instead
Brenda Kay Hammel, Express Employment Professionals
Bruce Baker, REMAX Select Partners
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Ambassadors





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Random Fun Facts About YOUR Chamber



We're almost 90! The Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce was established in 1937.



The Chamber has been supporting local businesses through nine decades of changes in Santa Rosa County.



The Chamber is a nonprofit organization and does not receive government funding.



Our members range from small family-owned businesses and individual members to major employers and organizations.



We love a good ribbon cutting! Welcoming and celebrating new businesses is one of the most visible things we do.



Chamber membership is about more than events—we help members connect, promote their businesses, build relationships, and become involved in the community.



Our Chamber building includes the McKenzie Room, which provides a space for members to gather, meet, and connect.



We're also home to a Tourist Information Center, so we don't just serve businesses—we help welcome visitors to Santa Rosa County.



The Chamber's Community Foundation is a 501(c)(3) that supports efforts such as scholarships and community initiatives.



We know how to mix business with fun. Our annual events have included the Golf Tournament, Casino Night, Freedom Car & Bike Show, Jeep Show, and more.



At Casino Night, people can become millionaires...in casino chips, anyway.



We celebrate the people behind our community through recognitions such as Business of the Month, Ambassador awards, and annual community awards.



Chamber Ambassadors are an important part of welcoming members, attending events, and representing the Chamber throughout the community.



There is almost always something happening at the Chamber—luncheons, ribbon cuttings, networking events, classes, orientations, and community events.



1937 → 2027 = 90 years of building business and strengthening community!

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A promotional poster for a clay shoot event. The background is a blurred image of a person in a white shirt and khaki pants, holding a shotgun. In the upper right corner, there are three logos: 'SRvp' (Santa Rosa Young Professionals) in a red oval, 'Magdalene's' with a blue leaf logo, and a red shotgun. The text 'SHOOTING FOR A BETTER SANTA ROSA' is in black, followed by 'CLAY SHOOT' in large, bold, black letters. Below that, 'FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH' is written in black.

SHOOTING FOR A BETTER SANTA ROSA

CLAY SHOOT

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH

Click [here](#) to register for a team or sponsorship or BOTH!

Chamber Highlights







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Stay connected. Stay involved. Support our community. ✨

There's always something happening in Santa Rosa County! We're grateful for the businesses, organizations, and community partners who work together to make our area such a wonderful place to live, work, and grow.

We invite you to explore upcoming Chamber and community events and discover new ways to connect, participate, and support local.

Click [HERE](https://business.srcchamber.com/chamber-events) to view upcoming events:
<https://business.srcchamber.com/chamber-events>

Thank you for being an important part of our community and for continuing to support the Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce. We truly appreciate you!





Thank You to Our Members