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BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

JANUARY 9, 2024

NETWORKING LUNCH

JANUARY 12, 2024

A.M. NETWORK BREAKFAST

JANUARY 26, 2024



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January 2024

Mark your calendar now for these great networking events in January.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Sponsored by:



Tuesday, January 9th

5:30 p.m. @ Grover T's BBQ

5887 Highway 90, Milton

Cost: \$15 for members / \$20 for non-members at the door

RSVP to 623-2339 or membership@srcchamber.com

NETWORKING LUNCH

Sponsored by:



Friday, January 12th

12 Noon @ The Hangar American Grill

3966 Avalon Boulevard, Milton

Cost: \$15 for members / \$20 for non-members at the door

RSVP required to 623-2339 or

membership@srcchamber.com

A.M. Network Breakfast & NAS Whiting Sailor of the Quarter Recognition

Sponsored by:



Friday, January 26th

7:30 a.m. @ Grover T's BBQ

5887 Highway 90, Milton

Cost: \$15 for members / \$20 for non-members at the door

RSVP required to 623-2339 or

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A Message from our Chair...



Kemp as past chair. A warm welcome to all of the new Board Members and returning board members. We have challenges before us in 2024, financial and managerial that will keep us busy as we go through the year. Thankfully we are in a very good position financially to meet these challenges.

I cannot conclude without thanking Ms. Donna Tucker. She has been instrumental in grooming me for this position. Her guidance has certainly brought this chamber to where it is today. She will be sorely missed. Her legacy will live on in the hearts of our leaders and members. I hope that we all think of Donna when we walk through the front door of our fabulous building, which I dare say is likely the premier Chamber building in the State of Florida.

I am looking forward to the changes and challenges that 2024 brings with confidence in our new Board, Nicole Frenk, and Jessica Meadows, the dedicated staff in our office. I hope that you all take full advantage of the services our chamber offers to you and the success of your business. I wish you all a prosperous new year and pray that we may continue to grow and improve the quality of life in Santa Rosa County.

Frank Hoskins
2024 Board Chair

As I sit here in awe of the success of the Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce in 2023, I wonder how it went so quickly. It is 2024 and I am honored that I have been selected to serve as chair of the Board of Directors. I would like to thank Ms. Debbie Kemp and our Board of Directors for selecting me as chair elect as well as for preparing me for this position.

Our Board of Directors has been instrumental in guiding our chamber through a record year. As a result, we have met and exceeded budgeted goals well before the end of the year. We have increased our membership to nearly seven hundred with the efforts of our amazing ambassadors. These people work tirelessly to drive membership and represent our chamber to the community.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the incoming members of the executive committee, Mr. Mike Johnson / Chair Elect, Ms. Jennifer Micklos / Treasurer, Ms. Erin Vaughn / Secretary and of course Ms. Debbie

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

VOLUNTEER FOR YOUR COMMUNITY.

**To find out how you can help...
Call Donna or Nicole at (850) 623-2339.**



2024 COMMITTEE & EVENT CHAIRS

- Ambassadors..... Margarita Vazquez..... Primerica
- Awards/Installation Luncheon .. Tracy Allen.....Goosehead Insurance
- Business After Hours Erin Vaughn Sunbelt Title Insurance
 - Co-Chair Lee Irving LandrumHR
- Casino Night..... Mike Johnson Individual Member
 - Co-Chair Scott Klemm..... Individual Member
- E.D.G.E..... Mike Ellicott..... Castle 6 Group
 - Co-Chair Ronnie Goode..... All Dry Services, Gulf Coast Region
- Team Bruce Baker, MBA
- RE/MAX Infinity Golf Classic ... Larry Strain..... A Rustyc Spoon
- Finance Committee Jennifer Micklos The First, ANBA
- July 4th Riverfest Larry Strain..... A Rustyc Spoon
- Leadership Santa Rosa Jonathan Arneault..... The Rock Church
- Leadership Santa Rosa Alumni...Mirella Savage..... Team Bruce Baker, MBA-REMAX Infinity
- 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... Mary Zaledonis..... United Way of West Florida
- Santa Rosa
- Young Professionals Laura Massimino Pen Air Credit Union
- 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
- Chair-Elect:** Mike Johnson, Individual Member
- Past Chair:** Debbie Kemp, Pen Air Credit Union
- Treasurer:** Jennifer Micklos, The First, ANBA
- Secretary:** Erin Vaughn, Sunbelt Title Agency

BOARD MEMBERS 2024

- Tracy Allen Goosehead Insurance
- Tracy Beach Blue Arbor
- Rhett Fendley..... Premier Wealth Management Partners
- Capt. Paul Flores NAS Whiting Field (Ex-Officio)
- Lechia Froman United Bank
- Jeremy Holley Immanuel Baptist Church
- Charlin Knight Santa Rosa County Schools (Ex-Officio)
- Pete Morgan..... Service Matters Realty, Inc./ Property Management
- Shannon Ogletree..... Santa Rosa County Economic Development
- Russell Raught CareerSource Escarosa
- Jeremy Reeder..... Reeder Financial Group
- Mirella Savage..... Team Bruce Baker, MBA RE/MAX Infinity
- Justin Serrano Santa Rosa Medical Center
- Margarita Vazquez.... Primerica Financial Services
- Robin Vickers..... University of Florida, WFREC
- Director Emeritus..... Larry Strain, A Rustyc Spoon

Thank You to our 2024 Sponsors

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 Synovus
November Kelley Handyman Service

Networking Lunch

January Coastal Wildlife Removal
February American Heritage Financial
March Fast Cash ATM Services
April Santa Rosa Medical Center
May Available
June Available
July Available
August Available
September Available
October The Benefits Shoppe Insurance Agency, LLC
November Drug Free Workplaces
December Harvesters Credit Union

The A.M. Network

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March Available
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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 Available
April Eglin Federal Credit Union
May Available
June Available
July Available
August Available
September Available
October Armor Service Group
November Available
December Primerica Milton-Margarita Vazquez

JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

50 Years

City of Milton

20 Years

Santa Rosa Center for Rehabilitation and Healing

Santa Rosa Pipes & Drums

1 Year

Arcadia of Pace

Beltone NWF

Gulf Coast Sexual Assault Program

Mobile Florida Blue Center - Northwest Florida

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www.Thebakeryshop.com

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Floor Coverings International Rob Hazewinkle

698 E. Heinberg Street, Unit 104, Pensacola

(850) 462-4324

www.pensacola@fcifloors.com

Check us out on Facebook.

The Tasty Tenderloin Craig & Sandra Swearingen

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(660) 342-9156 / (660) 216-0643

Check us out on Facebook!

Food Concession Specializing in Mid-Western Style
Hand-Breaded Pork Tenderloins

You can find these new members
or any of our members in the
Member Directory
online @ www.SRCchamber.com
including phone numbers,
email addresses and
web addresses and more.



NETWORKING WORKS!
COME PARTICIPATE AT ANY OF OUR
MONTHLY EVENTS.



2024 CHAMBER AMBASSADORS

- Margarita Vazquez (Chair) Primerica Financial Services
- Tracy Allen Goosehead Insurance
- Bruce Baker Team Bruce Baker, MBA-RE/MAX Infinity
- Linda Clark..... LC Creative Productions
- Susan Clark Granny Nannies
- Crystal Foster USA Mortgage
- Jenny Garcia ADV Global Wellness
- Brenda Kay Hammel Express Employment Professionals
- Lee Irving LandrumHR
- Rebekah Killingsworth A Cut Above Landscaping & Property Maintenance
- Becky MaCaa Home Instead Senior Care
- Nicole Pires Hancock Whitney
- Jeremy Reeder Reeder Financial Group
- Mirella Savage Team Bruce Baker, MBA-RE/MAX Infinity
- Larry Strain..... Synovus
- Juan Vazquez Primerica – Margarita Vazquez



El Paso Mexican Grill was host to our Ambassadors annual Christmas Lunch and everyone got something from the Chamber Santa! We appreciate all these amazing movers & shakers do throughout the year for our community, members and Chamber.

THANK YOU to Brenda Kay for Chairing our Ambassador Committee in 2023 and WELCOME to Margarita Vazquez moving up to Chair.

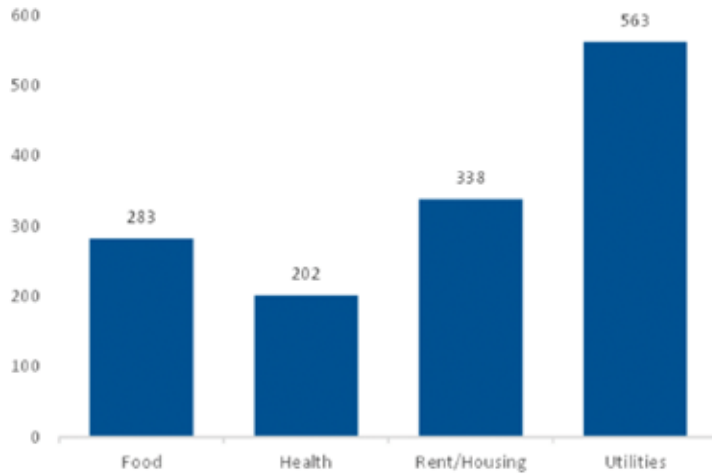
Call Nicole at 850-623-2339 and ask for more information.

211 NORTHWEST FLORIDA

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211 Northwest Florida is free, confidential, and available 24,7. Simply dial 211 or 855-420-8689. Serving Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, and Washington counties, 211 connects callers with local resources and empowers them to meet their needs.



TOP REASONS LOCAL RESIDENTS CALLED 211

In November, we received 278 calls from Santa Rosa County. During those calls, we provided:

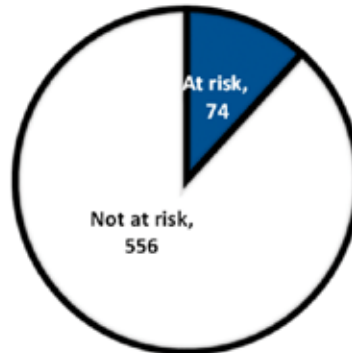
- 283 Food referrals
- 202 Health referrals
- 338 Rent/Housing referrals
- 563 Utilities referrals

HOMELESSNESS

Of the 630 individuals impacted, 74 of those individuals were homeless or at imminent risk (facing eviction, foreclosure, etc.)

The top three sources:

- 20 from Job Loss/Financial Issues
- 8 were Victim of Domestic Violence
- 4 had Other Reasons



COUNTY BREAKDOWN:



Zip Codes with Most Individuals Impacted:

- 32570 : 183 Impacted
- 32583 : 127 Impacted
- 32571 : 117 Impacted
- 32566 : 97 Impacted
- 32563 : 66 Impacted

CREATING CONNECTIONS

630 individuals were impacted in November

420 Total Adults **35** Veterans **57** Seniors **210** Children

PERCENTAGE OF INDIVIDUALS WHO WOULD RECOMMEND 211

95.5%

COMMUNITY CALENDAR - JANUARY

January 1 Chamber Closed for New Year's Holiday

January 3 9 a.m.-12 noon
 FL SBDC @ UWF – Milton Office Hours
 SRC Economic Development Office,
 6491 Caroline St., Suite 4, Milton

January 4 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
 "Empowering Women in Business
 " Networking Lunch
 SRC Chamber of Commerce,
 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton

January 4 4 p.m.
 USS Harry Mudd Star Trek & SF Club
 Meeting
 SRC Chamber of Commerce,
 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton

January 8 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
 FL APEX Accelerator @ UWF Presents
 "Federal Government Contracting:
 What Can the SBA do for You?"
 Greater Pensacola Chamber of Commerce,
 418 W. Garden St, 4th Flr, CO:LAB Bldg,
 Pensacola

January 9 9:30 a.m.
 Milton Garden Club Meeting
 Magnolia Hall, 5256 Alabama St, Milton

January 10 12-4 p.m.
 "The 4 Pillars of Creating a Mentally
 Healthy Workplace" Masterclass –
 Day 1 of 2
 Virtual//Zoom

January 10 3-4 p.m.
 Non-Profit Resource & Development
 Roundtable
 SRC Chamber of Commerce,
 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton

January 10 12-4 p.m.
 "The 4 Pillars of Creating a Mentally
 Healthy Workplace" Masterclass – Day 2
 Virtual/Zoom

January 11 1-2 p.m.
 Navy League Santa Rosa Council
 Meeting
 Milton PD, 5451 Alabama St,
 Milton

January 11 1-2:30 p.m.
 Milton Dementia Support Group
 Clyde L. Gracey Community
 Center,
 5629 Byrom St, Room 113

January 12 8:30-10 a.m.
 HBA of West Florida Membership
 Benefits Breakfast
 8891 Burning Tree Rd, Pensacola

January 13 9 a.m.
 "2024 Vision With Purpose
 Workshop"
 Virtual

January 15 Chamber Closed for
 Martin Luther King Day

January 16 1-2 p.m.
 Dementia Caregiver Support
 Group
 The Beacon at Gulf Breeze,
 Private Dining,
 4410 Gulf Breeze Pkwy

January 17 9 a.m.-12 noon
 FL SBDC @ UWF –
 Milton Office Hours
 SRC Economic Development
 Office,
 6491 Caroline St., Suite 4, Milton

January 17 5 p.m.
 Milton Amateur Radio Club
 SRC Chamber of Commerce,
 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton

January 17 6:30 p.m.
 Blackwater Pyrates Meeting
 Call (850) 313-1967 for location.

January 19 9 a.m.-12 noon
 FL SBDC @ UWF Presents
 "Starting a Business" – Pensacola
 Greater Pensacola Chamber of
 Commerce,
 418 W. Garden St, 4th Flr,
 CO:LAB Bldg,
 Pensacola

January 25 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
 CareerSource Escarosa Presents
 Career Fair
 6655 W. Mobile Hwy, Pensacola

January 27 10-11 a.m.
 First Presbyterian Church's
 "Knotty Prayers" Ministry
 Call (850) 623-2510 for location.



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For an up-to-date calendar of events, visit our website www.srcchamber.com.

CHAMBER CALENDAR - JANUARY

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| January 1 Chamber Closed for New Year's Holiday | January 15 Chamber Closed for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day |
| January 2 11:30 a.m.
Jay Chamber Meeting
Jay Community Center, 5259 Booker St. | January 17 8:30 a.m.
SRC CoC Executive Committee
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton |
| January 5 11:30 a.m.
Chamber Ambassadors Lunch
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton | January 19 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
87th Annual Community Awards & Installation Luncheon
SRC Auditorium, 4530 Spikes Way, Milton |
| January 8 4:30 p.m.
Leadership Santa Rosa Executive Committee Meeting
Online | January 24 8:30-10 a.m.
E.D.G.E. (Economic Development, Growth & Education)
Meeting
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton |
| January 9 8:30 a.m.
SRC Legislative Coalition Meeting
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton | January 22 2-4 p.m.
SRC CoC Board of Directors Meeting & Planning Workshop
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton |
| January 9 5:30-7 p.m.
Business After Hours
Grover T's BBQ, 5887 Hwy 90, Milton | January 26 7:15-8:30 a.m.
The A.M. Network/Sailor-of-the-Quarter
Recognition Breakfast
Grover T's BBQ, 5887 Hwy 90, Milton |
| January 10 3-4 p.m.
Non-Profit Resource & Development Roundtable
SRC Chamber of Commerce, 4315 Avalon Blvd, Milton | January 26 8:30 a.m.
Ribbon cutting for Alive With Purpose Health &
Life Coaching
Grover T's BBQ, 5887 Hwy 90, Milton |
| January 12 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.
Chamber Networking Lunch
The Hangar, 3966 Avalon Blvd, Milton | |
| January 12 & 13 Leadership Santa Rosa, Class 37: SimSoc
SpringHill Suites Navarre Beach | |

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

12 noon
Kiwanis Club of Milton Sunrise Meeting
Call (850) 623-3256 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

For an up-to-date calendar of events, visit our website www.srcchamber.com.

RIBBON CUTTINGS



Call 850-304-0660

Website:
HCAfloridahealthcare.com

HCA Florida West Hospital announces Pea Ridge Emergency

HCA Florida West Hospital is proud to announce that Pea Ridge Emergency, located at 4610 Pea Ridge Connector Road, on the corner of Highway 90 and Pea Ridge Connector Road, opened to the public on December 20th.

Pea Ridge Emergency room will serve more than 150,000 adults and pediatric residents per year in the Pace, Pea Ridge and Milton communities. This \$12 Million freestanding emergency department will employ 50 full time employees and includes 11 private patient beds, diagnostic laboratory and imaging services including a 64-Slice CT scan, ultrasound and digital x-ray.

At HCA Florida West Hospital we are proud to be listed as one of the top 100 hospitals in the nation by Fortune Magazine and to have an "A" grade in patient safety grade from the Leapfrog Group. In addition, we are accredited as a Comprehensive Stroke Center meaning that we have the highest level of competence for treatment of patients who have experienced a stroke. That is the level of care that you will now have available in Pace, Milton, and the Pea Ridge communities.

For more information you can visit www.hcafloridahealthcare.com or call Pea Ridge Emergency directly at 850-304-0660.

HCA Florida West Primary Care – Avalon is our family medicine clinic built on principles of healing. This includes our preventive care services, routine checkups, sports physicals, lab services, acute and chronic illness management, as well as treatment for everyday bumps and bruises.

Located at 4244 Avalon Blvd, the physicians and staff are there to meet the personal needs of your family. Our physicians are skilled in a wide range of specialties who believe in providing the same high quality care for all age groups including children, adults and seniors. This extends to treating conditions such as acute illnesses and diseases, allergies, asthma, chronic medical conditions, congestive heart failure, diabetes, high cholesterol and high blood pressure, just to name a few.

Our team of family medicine doctors provides annual checkup services and on-site labs that include advanced treatment technologies. We also ensure you have direct access to our main hospital network.

For more information you may visit www.hcafloridaphysicians.com or call 850-494-4600

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Arcadia Pace

**Ernie Parker State Farm
Insurance**

Peaden, LLC

B&C Nursery

**Gospel Youth Projects
YAC Youth Athletic Club**

**Powerhouse Compressor
Company**

**Bagdad Waterfronts
Florida Partnerships**

**Gulf Coast Sexual Assault
Program**

**Sandy & Bubba's Milton
Chevrolet**

Beltone NWF

**Jeff Stanford
Individual Member**

**Santa Rosa Pipes &
Drums**

BluMac Realty

**Mooneyham Heating &
Air Conditioning**

**Smith & Smith Property
Management, Inc.**

City of Milton

Cumulus Media

**Nouveau Pastries &
Catering**

**Splash RV Resort &
Water Park**

Emerald Coast Wellness

Emerald Coast Wildlife Refuge

Patriot Pest Management

Sport & Wheat CPA PA

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

INTRODUCING Leadership Santa Rosa Class 37



Lance Breeding
NAS Whiting Field



Karen Cody
Navarre High School



Jonathan Fay
Navy Flight
Demonstration
Team



Jeremiah Ford
The Tool Shack



Tanya Gallagher
Jacobs
Engineering, Inc.



Zachary Harris
NAS Whiting Field



Julia Helton
United Way of
West Florida

**NO PHOTO
AVAILABLE**

Ryan Hicks
Holley-Navarre
Water System



Jennifer Hines
Santa Rosa County
School District



Shannon Hirsch
Santa Rosa County
Engineering
Department

**NO PHOTO
AVAILABLE**

Kyle Holley
Private Contractor
with Santa Rosa
County



Lee Irving
LandrumHR



Nicole Jackson
Bearing Fruit
Community Church,
Inc.



Michael Knowlton
Santa Rosa County
District Schools



Heather Lindsay
City of Milton



Tanya Linzy
Santa Rosa County
Environmental
Department



Eric McDermott
NAS Whiting Field



Lori O'Gara
Santa Rosa
County Library
Administration



Ashley Otto



Christopher Otto
US Navy/NAS
Whiting Field



Jason Rogers
Lifeguard
Ambulance



Andrew Rowe
Synovus



Rhett Rowell
Santa Rosa County
District Schools



Laurie Schulze
Santa Rosa County
BOCC-Veterans
Services



Tonya Shepherd
Santa Rosa County
District Schools



Lori Smith
Smith & Smith
Property
Management



Haley Spaid
Pace Water System



Larry Starnes
US Navy/NAS Whiting
Field



Chris Vance
Santa Rosa County
Sheriff's Office



Leadership Santa Rosa Class 36 Congratulations on your Graduation!



*We Expect
Great
Things
From All
of You!!*

THANK YOU to the Class 36 Leadership Executive Committee, Facilitators, Co-Facilitators, Sponsors and Host Facilities!

Leadership Santa Rosa Alumni Awards TWO \$3000 Grants

Each year Leadership Santa Rosa Alumni hold fundraising events, and collect dues with a goal of awarding 1 or 2 non-profit organizations in Santa Rosa County a \$3000 check to help support a special project or need. R.I.S.E. (Reinvesting in Santa Rosa Excellence) was created by Wendy Ritz, a graduate of the program over 10 years ago, and since then over \$30,000 total has been awarded to non-profits. "Alumni-At-Work" giving back.

Congratulations to this years recipients:



Gospel Youth Project YAC Youth Athletic Club, received by Tod Brainard



Santa Rosa County Crimestoppers, Inc., received by Deborah Roche

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!

Contact us to find out more!



CHAMBER FACTS

- The Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce is 87 years old this year.
- We currently have 660 active members. 21% 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 December 15, 2023, we have answered 1,707 phone calls, assisted 607 walk-in visitors, and signed up 113 new members. We held 61 ribbon cuttings and responded to 77 written requests for information. Our website had over 16,000 visitors who generated more than 60,000 page views.
- The most interesting question this month was: "Do you know who to call to replace the warranty deed on my home? I can't find mine."

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Christmas Chamber Lunch

Santa Played by: Larry Strain, The Rustyc Spoon

Thank you to our longtime "Dirty" Lunch Sponsor:

Harvesters Credit Union,

represented by Sierra Brumfield,

Denise Burkett, Bill Cox, Katelyn Forsythe, Michael Ley,

Gary Quinn, and Amanda Zagaruyka



*Congratulations split-the-pot winner:
Pete Morgan,
Service Matters Real Estate-Property
Management-Association Management*

Chamber Christmas Breakfast

Chair: Tracy Allen, Goosehead Insurance



Thank you to our Sponsor:
**Santa Rosa County
School District/Locklin
Technical College,**

Thank you to the Joyful Noise Band,
Dave & Dexter, for the beautiful
Christmas music.



Congratulations to the door
prize and cash drawing winner!

WE LOVE DOOR PRIZES!

Thank you to Eglin Federal Credit Union; Emerald Coast Wildlife Refuge; Floor Coverings International;
Locklin Technical College; Smith & Smith Property Management; Step One Automotive

WITHOUT A CHAMBER...

Many people still don't know...

The Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce & Tourist Information Center is not a government agency, we are not funded by the County, the City, your tax dollars or any source other than by local businesses, non-profits and individuals that join and two annual fundraisers, The Leadership Awards Banquet and Dan McKenzie Golf Classic. We thank the currently 610 members that support our Chamber, your businesses and your community. Consider joining if you are not already a member and please remember to support those businesses and organizations that are a member and make it possible to keep your Chamber active in our community.

Without A Chamber.....

-there would be no office to respond to the inquiries about your community and its opportunities.
-there would be no information gathering center with which to inform the business community and advise it of current events affecting them.
-there would be no collective force to make known the physical needs of the community such as improved roads, utilities, facilities, safety and the like.
-there would be no forum wherein the business community can exchange views and positions, and no voice to express those to other agencies.
-there would be no focal point for social gathering of the business community wherein an exchange of ideas and services may take place.
-there would be no political voice to keep our elected representatives aware of the community feelings on legislative action and needs.

Your Chamber is a rallying point, and an instrument for the promotion of plans, ideas and projects in your community.

YOU – our members keep our doors open and our offices staffed.

THANK YOU for supporting your business community and your Chamber of Commerce.

We Invite You To Join Us!



Full Hookups
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