



Speakers

January 30, 2024
 Jacksonville Chamber
 Business Development
 Anna Lebesch

Birthdays

Laura Johnson
 January 2nd
 Patrick Karney
 January 18th
 Mary Fortson
 January 19th
 Jim Horne
 January 20th
 Lillian Bell
 January 20th
 Connie Thomas
 January 21st
 Jack Arnold
 January 27th

**Wedding
 Anniversaries**

Frank & Maleah
 Meininger
 January 31st

Years of Service

Phil Murphey
 8 Years

Ginger Rivers
 4 Years

The COG

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Patti Holcombe
3 Years
Bob Harrington
3 Years
Mike Chamberlain
1 Year

Jacksonville Chamber Business Development



JAXUSA Partnership, the private, nonprofit division of JAX Chamber, is Jacksonville's regional economic development initiative overseeing the efforts of the seven counties of Northeast Florida.

Our mission is to be a catalyst for economic growth and maximize the region's unique resources to aggressively recruit jobs and capital investment to our area. Since 1990, we have been a driving economic force within the Jacksonville region and, together with our partners, have helped create more than 130,000 jobs and \$9.8 billion in capital investment.

Using strategic research and targeted marketing, JAXUSA focuses on recruiting new companies and expanding our existing business community. We offer a variety of services for businesses that are considering corporate relocation or expansion in Jacksonville and Northeast Florida. Our dedicated project management team assists company executives and site consultants in all aspects of the site selection process.

Economic development partners in [Baker](#), [Clay](#), [Duval](#), [Flagler](#), [Nassau](#), [Putnam](#) and [St. Johns](#) Counties comprise the strong partnership that drives the business development process. We work closely with the independent authorities " JAXPORT, JAA, JEA and JTA " to build infrastructure ensuring we have a sustainable business climate to offer companies.

[Talent](#) is an integral part of the process, and our partnerships with [CareerSource Northeast Florida](#) and local colleges and universities help develop and attract a steady stream of skilled workers.

Club News

Next week is the Science Fair - Judges Still Needed

Clay County District Schools
and
Rotary Clubs of Clay County
invite you to the

**Clay Rotary
Science and
Engineering
Fair**

Join us in the discovery
Tuesday, February 6th
Judging Begins 9AM
Clay County Fairgrounds
2497 FL-16
Green Cove Springs, FL

To register as a judge, please visit this website below:

[JUDGES LINK](#)

To read a brief description of each category, [click here](#).

Please contact Lisa Ashworth, if you need assistance signing up to judge.

Rotary News

Rotary Theme for 2024-2025 Announced





Rotary International President-elect Stephanie Urchick announced that the 2024-25 presidential theme is The Magic of Rotary and called on members to recognize and amplify the organization's power to save lives.

"Don't misunderstand me – we are not going to end polio or bring peace to the world by waving a wand and saying some funny words," Urchick told incoming district governors at the Rotary International Assembly on 8 January. "It's up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member."

Urchick, a member of the Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, USA, said she saw the magic of Rotary on display when she was helping install water filters in the Dominican Republic. Two boys were watching as dirty water entered the filter, then ran out clean at the other end.

"One of the boys grabbed my sleeve and said, 'Show me the magic again,'" she said. "Obviously, the water filter wasn't magic. We worked hard to transport those filters, install them, and work with community leaders in the area to maintain them. But those boys knew that easy access to clean water would change their lives. Knowing that I played a small part in that certainly changed my life." [View Stephanie's address on Rotary.org.](#)

The new theme particularly resonates with me. I've spoken to many of you about how personally impactful the story of Gordon McNally's theme, "Create Hope in the World" has been.

And, this new theme challenges us to take action, utilizing our core values and magnified by the power of our organization to create lasting change in our world.

2023-24 Club Leadership





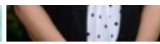
Gi Teeven
President



Jack Scorby
President-Elect



David Tarkington
Secretary



Michele Riley
Treasurer



Bo Norton
iPast President



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Sergeant-at-Arms



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