

Hi, I am Jan Roberts and I am running for Honorary Mayor of Wesley Chapel!

Having spent my entire life in and around the Tampa Bay area, exclusively in Wesley Chapel for the past 13 years created a desire in me to get even more involved! I graduated from FSU with a degree in Business/ Marketing, I sold computer products for 15 years and subsequently spent the next 7 years as a "stay at home mom" to two wonderful girls.

Ultimately, I decided to re-enter the work force in the non-profit arena, initially working in Community Relations for the House of Hope, Tampa Bay. Years later, I reconnected with Big Brothers/ Big Sisters of Tampa Bay, which provided me with my current position as the Director of Partnership Development and Recruitment. This came well after becoming a volunteer 'Big Sister' over 25 years ago with this same agency.

This charity has always held a special place in my heart, so of course when asked which charity I would like to raise funds for, in addition to the Chamber fundraising efforts; the clear choice was none other than Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tampa Bay. Ierna's Heating and Cooling is behind me as my official 'sponsor' along with my "Pit Crew" of well over a dozen Pasco Pioneers helping out in a variety of fun fundraising ideas, keep an eye on our F/B page Little Jan for Big Mayor!

I have been involved with the Wesley Chapel Chamber for about 5 years, most recently as an Ambassador, which has been thus far THE most fulfilling position in a community outreach capacity attending Ribbon Cuttings and meeting/greeting new members on a monthly basis. Additionally, I have served on various committees including the 5K run, The Celebration of the Arts Festival and currently am participating with the silent auction for the upcoming Annual Banquet at Saddlebrook.

I am married to a wonderful and supportive husband and am grateful to the support of our girls who sometime bear the embarrassing antics like when I stood waving a checkered flag at the Hampton Mixer to tell Wesley Chapel to "Start your ENGINES"!

It will be with great pride that I will be part of watching Wesley Chapel grow over the next year. It is important for business owners to work (and play) together, remain united in their focus to make Wesley Chapel the most spectacular place to live, work and play – THE BEST PLACE TO BE!