



ROTARY CLUB of La Jolla

News Bulletin

Coming Next Week, Don Kent, CEO Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute: *Update on what's happening at HSWRI*



Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute (HSWRI) is a non-profit scientific research organization committed to conserving and renewing marine life to ensure a healthier planet. Their team of experts provides innovative and

objective scientific solutions to challenges threatening ocean health and marine life in our rapidly changing world.

Donald B. Kent came to the Institute in 1977 as a San Diego State University graduate student working on the growth characteristics of striped bass. He has participated on numerous Institute programs studying gray whales, assessing noise effects on animals, minimizing killer whale impacts on fishing operations and, closest to his interest, the development of marine finfish aquaculture. Don has led the Institute since 1996.

He was instrumental in initiating the Ocean Resources Enhancement and Hatchery Program (OREHP), a highly productive partnership with the recreational and commercial fishing communities and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife created to investigate ways to counteract the depletion of California's coastal marine fisheries through stock replenishment.]

He is also responsible for the planning and construction of the Leon Raymond Hubbard, Jr. Marine Fish Hatchery in Carlsbad, where they have reared, raised and released more than 2.4 million white seabass into California waters. Don is also working to permit our nation's first fish farm located in federal waters off the coast of southern California to revitalize our regional seafood industry and to help offset our dependence on imported seafood. Don has served on many local and national boards including the NOAA Fisheries Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee, as President of the San Diego Chapter of Sigma Xi, and on the San Diego Mayor's Clean Water Task Force. He is a proud member of the Downtown San Diego Rotary Club.



**Please RSVP to Natasha Vossen's email re:
our next luncheon on April 15, 2025,
nataschavossen@san.rr.com**

Hi-lights from last week's Meeting:



President Bob Teaff promptly called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.



Red Badger **Lisa Tomes** led the club in the Pledge of allegiance. The invocation had to be deferred due to technical problems with the microphone

Announcements

Kiwanis Half Marathon May 17th

Denise McGuire reminded the Club members that the **Kiwanis Half Marathon** will be taking place on May 17th starting at about 5:30 a.m. Our members will again be manning the water station #6 near Scripps Clinic Torrey Pines. **Time to sign up.**

Denise predicts that the event will be great fun



Slate of Proposed Rotary Officers and Committee Chairs for 2025-2026



Past President **Barbara Brown** gave the **third Reading** of the proposed Slate of Officers and Committee Chairs for the Rotary Club Of La Jolla Board 2025-2026

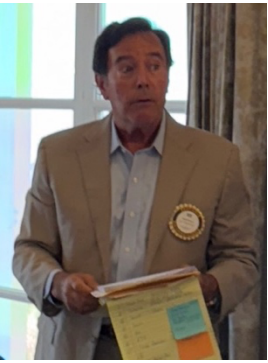
President - Russell King
Treasurer - Pat Russell
Secretary – Barbara Brown
Past President – Bob Teaff

President Elect 2026- 2027 – Denise McGuire

Avenues of Service

Club Service – Penny Shurtleff
Community Service- Denise McGuire
International Service - Anya Singleton
Membership Chair - Midge Coburn
New Generation/Youth Service - Craig Schiepp
Vocational Service- Vince Glorioso
Senior Citizens - Penny Shurtleff
Scholarship – Natascha Vossen
Florence Riford La Jolla Community fund – Bob Teaff
Rotary Foundation President – Bill Burch

Interviews at Garfield High for Scholarships



Bob Pecora, chair of the Scholarship committee for Garfield Hi, announced this year's interviews will be held at the school on April 11th.at 8:30 am. The students are at Risk – teens who seek some type of vocational training. This year they have received 19 applications. The amount they have for distribution

Russ King called the members' attention to the membership directory booklets, produced by the Rotary District, which were placed on each table. He encouraged everyone to take one of the booklets.



Courtney Snyder announced that Hubbs Seaworld Research Institute will be presenting a Land Donation Ceremony celebrating the future of marine science and conservation, on April 24th at 10 a.m. Congressman Mike Levin will be the speaker. She invited all interested Club members to attend.

Bob Teaff gave a brief explanation of our Paul Harris Fund. He then presented a Paul Harris award pin to **Don Lincoln**, one of many that he has received in recognition of his contributions to the Fund.

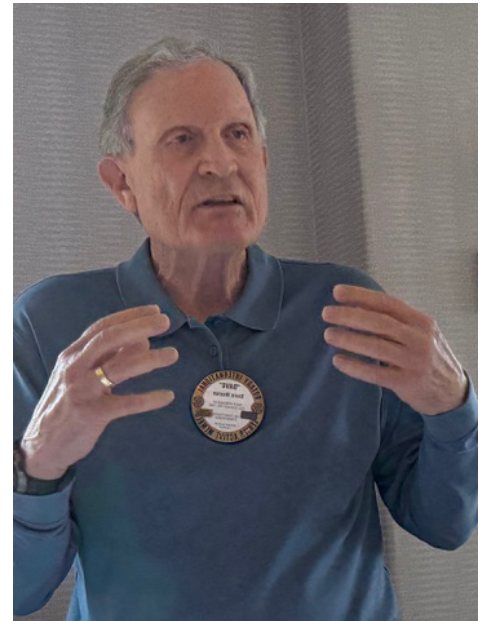


HAPPY BUCKS \$\$\$

Chuck Marsh offered **\$20** in Happy Bucks and challenged 4 other Club members to donate **\$20** each as well. As Chuck explained, this money will replace the loss to our Club budget, since Duke University basketball is no longer winning games! Five of our Club members (**Bob Teaff; Pat Stouffer; Bill Boehm; and Laura Applegate**) rose to the challenge and contributed **\$20** each in **Happy Bucks**.



Dave Weston offered **\$500** in **Happy Bucks** because he “couldn’t wait to hear our speaker, **Noah Brown**,” who was a fellow alumna of La Jolla High School.”



Vince Glorioso offered **\$20** in **Happy Bucks** because his 19-year-old daughter had just gotten her very first job working on trail maintenance at **Rocky Mountain National Park**.



Our Speaker Last Week, Noah Brown



Russ King introduced our speaker, **Noah Brown**, a graduate researcher in **Physical Oceanography**, specializing in coastal dynamics and nearshore processes. Noah is a 2020 graduate of **La Jolla High School**, a **UCSD research scholarship recipient** and a recipient of a Florence Riford Scholarship from our Club. Noah has been a field crew member and research assistant with the **Coastal Processes Group at Scripps Institution of Oceanography** for the past four years and has recently applied to the PHD program.

Noah spoke about his classes at Scripps and about what **our Florence Riford scholarship** has meant to him, saying it was a real confidence booster for him, to know that we had chosen to back him in his studies.

He also explained that his research centers on the analysis of sand erosion. Noah shared some interesting information, including satellite data, which measured the beach erosion in Carlsbad and Oceanside. He explained his work relating to the issue of sand erosion along California beaches and discussed its causes and research on how it can possibly be addressed. Questions were asked concerning the similar phenomenon in La Jolla beaches such as White Sands and Wind and Sea.

This year Noah will be receiving his master's from Scripps Oceanography. He has applied for jobs with the Army Corp of Engineers as well as applied to enter a Ph.D. in his chosen field.



Bob Teaff adjourned the meeting 1:30 p.m. and added the postscript, that we will be hosting guests from the Sasebo Japan Rotary Club next week.