

Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise

"Peace Through Service"

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This Week: Special Olympics West Hawai'i

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Joining us this week is Denise Lindsey, West Hawaii Special Olympics Area Director.

from the website sohawaii.org

Mission Statement:

The mission of Special Olympics is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills, and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

Philosophy:

Special Olympics is founded on the belief that children and adults with intellectual disabilities can, with proper instruction and encouragement, learn, enjoy and benefit from participation in individual and team sports. Special Olympics believes that through sports training and competition, Health, Education, and Leadership programs, people with intellectual disabilities benefit physically, mentally, socially, and spiritually on and off the playing

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The Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise meets the 2,3,& 4th Wednesdays at 7:00 am
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ICYMI

Last week's presentation from Jamie Pardue, with Ocean Defenders Alliance, was very informative and eye-opening.

Astonishing to learn about all the debris that is just off the shoreline of the Kona Coast, and the work that this group is doing to remove it.

P.S. Please think twice before throwing that old tire in the ocean!



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Special Olympics - continued

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fields. Families are strengthened and communities are inspired, creating an inclusive environment of equality, respect, and acceptance across Hawai'i. The ultimate goal of Special Olympics is to help persons with intellectual disabilities participate as productive and respected members of society by offering them a fair opportunity to

develop and demonstrate their skills and talents through sports training and competition and by increasing the public's awareness of their capabilities and needs.

Please join us to hear about the exceptional athletes from West Hawai'i.

Welcome Denise!



2025 GOLF TOURNAMENT
A BENEFIT FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS WEST HAWAII

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

MAUNA LANI NORTH GOLF COURSE
4-PERSON SCRAMBLE
REGISTRATION @ 7AM / START @ 8AM

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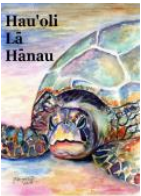
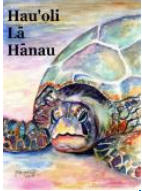
REGISTER NOW!

\$250 / Person

Includes a light continental breakfast, a round of golf, lunch, opportunities for mulligans, and fun contests with prizes!

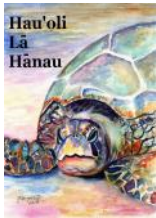
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 Meet N Eat Kealakehe Intermediate School 5:00 to pau	6 	7	8	9
10  Chuck R	11	12  Nancy/Vernon	13 Regular Meeting Papa Kona 7:00 am Ocean Defenders Alliance	14  Nestorio	15  Bernice/Bruce	16
17	18	19 Board Meeting 5:00 via Zoom	20 Regular Meeting Papa Kona 7:00 am Special Olympics	21	22	23
24 Celebration of Life for Franz Weber	25	26	27 Regular Meeting Papa Kona 7:00 am Rotary Youth	28	29	30
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September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 	2 Meet N Eat Kealakehe Intermediate School 4:30 to Pau	3 	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Regular Meeting Papa Kona 7:00 am Program TBA	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Regular Meeting Papa Kona 7:00 am Program TBA	18	19	20
21	22  Rick Ruchty	23	24 Regular Meeting Papa Kona 7:00 am Program TBA	25	26	27
28	29	30				

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Paul Harris
Founder of
Rotary

Club News

Did you know that the Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise is working toward starting a Satellite Club? After a first successful meeting with interested individuals, a second meeting is planned to further discuss the possibility of the new club. Interested in learning more? Ask PP Vernon, or Nestorio for further details. The proposed club will be focused on Hawaiian based projects.



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WHY START A SATELLITE CLUB?

Just like launching any Rotary or Rotaract club, forming a satellite club brings community members together to have fun and grow personally and professionally while serving their communities. Satellite clubs are often formed by current members who want a club experience that differs from what their local Rotary or Rotaract clubs offer. Here are some common reasons why satellite clubs are started:

- **IT'S EASY.** A Rotary satellite club can form with just eight members, and a Rotaract satellite club can form with at least four. Satellite clubs also don't need approval from the governor.
- **IT OFFERS FLEXIBILITY.** Members of the satellite club can meet at a different time or location than the existing local clubs.
- **IT'S A DIFFERENT EXPERIENCE.** The environment that a satellite club provides often varies from that of the nearby Rotary or Rotaract clubs. It can appeal to those who prefer another meeting format or want a different club culture than what they find at other clubs.
- **IT'S MORE AFFORDABLE.** Although RI dues are the same for satellite club members, clubs and districts set their own dues — which vary widely. Often, satellite club dues are lower because the clubs choose not to meet for a meal that can contribute to higher dues.



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