



Special Olympics Team USA Arrives in Rhodes, Greece!

Four Special Olympics Oklahoma athletes to compete in World Summer Games Athens 2011

June 25 to July 4, 2011

All of Team USA's athletes and coaches including four Special Olympics Oklahoma athletes and four Oklahoma coaches and delegates have made it to Host Town in Rhodes, Greece. Team USA has 316 athletes and 120 coaches/staff. Two airplanes carrying Team USA arrived at 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. Monday. They were greeted by Delegation Assistant Liaisons and ushered onto buses which headed for Rodos Palace resort.

Tuesday, June 21, 2011 teams will begin sports training in Rhodes in the morning and afternoon. They will also have some time to explore the resort and surrounding area. In the evening, Team USA will head to Old Town Rhodes for some lessons on Greek culture and history.

Oklahoma's athletes are Barry Hemphill, Tulsa competing in Bowling; James Holder, Jenks competing in Athletics/Track and Field; Katy Lew, Tulsa, competing in Bocce; and Chris Holmes, Poteau, competing in Bocce. Oklahoma's delegates and coaches are Adrian DeWendt, Special Olympics Oklahoma Executive Director serving on Team USA's management team; Meg Corn of Oklahoma City serving as Assistant Sports Manager in Aquatics; Teri Hockett, Special Olympics Oklahoma Program Director serving as Sport Manager for Athletics/Track and Field; and Janelle Whitt of Tulsa serving on Team USA's management team.

From June 25 to July 4, 2011 in Athens, 7,500 Special Olympics athletes from 180 nations will compete in 22 Olympic-type sports at the 13th Special Olympics World Summer Games. To learn more about Special Olympics World Summer Games Athens 2011, visit athens2011.org.

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