

Henri's Starlite Scoops Fact Sheet

About:

Henri's Starlite Scoops is an accessible, retro space-themed ice cream parlor located on the Avenue at Give Kids The World Village. This out-of-this-world venue serves unlimited ice cream treats to wish families staying at the nonprofit resort all day, every day, from 7:30 am to 9:30 pm. It was named for Give Kid The World founder Henri Landwirth, who managed the Starlite Motel in Cocoa Beach, FL, when it served as the temporary home to the original Mercury 7 astronauts.

Theming:

Henri's Starlite Scoops features immersive space theming at every turn. The concrete and flooring feature a planetary design that flows throughout the exterior and interior. Walls inside the rotunda feature false windows that offer a glimpse into space as if guests are dining inside the flying saucer, which sits atop the building. A waffle cone pattern adorns the wall behind the dipping counter.

Accessibility:

As with the rest of the whimsical nonprofit resort, every aspect of Henri's Starlite Scoops was built with accessibility in mind. Custom-built ice cream chests stand just 28 inches tall instead of the traditional 34 inches, so that every child, including those in wheelchairs, can easily look inside to choose their own flavors. The topping bar is also accessible, while an open floor plan allows for ease of wheelchair navigation.

Fun Facts:

- The 2,905 square-foot building stands nearly 13 feet tall.
- The rotunda is nearly 17 feet tall and 31.5 feet in diameter.
- The flying saucer atop the building is 30 feet in diameter, 8 feet tall, and weighs 8,500 pounds.
- More than 12,000 gallons of ice cream is served at the Village in a typical year (pre-COVID).
- 100,000 cherries and 4,000 cans of whipped cream are used during an average year.

Ice Cream:

Ice cream flavors include Choco-Rocket (chocolate); Moon Cream (vanilla); Shooting Starberry (strawberry); Moon Rock Crunch (cookies & cream); and Meteor Mint Chip. Sweet treats come in a dish, cone, Popsicle, Fudgesicle or ice cream bar. Also featured are Milky Way Shakes, Galactic Splits and Celestial Sundaes. Gluten-free, dairy-free and sugar-free options are also available. Scooping ice cream is one of the most popular volunteer shifts at Give Kids The World. During a typical week, volunteers fill more than 70 shifts to ensure guests can enjoy ice cream all day long.

Partnerships:

The design and construction of Henri's Starlite Scoops were made possible by the generosity and ingenuity of our extraordinary corporate partners:

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