

More than anything, people living with disabilities want to be treated like everybody else. They want to have close friendships and feel connected. They want to show they have value. They want to get out and give back.

**AKTION CLUB** provides adults living with disabilities an opportunity to develop initiative, leadership skills and to serve their communities.

A community service group sponsored by Kiwanis International, Aktion Club, is open to all adults living with disabilities who want to become community leaders and provide service for others.

**THEY GIVE BACK.** Aktion Club members give back to the communities that have supported them for so long. They conduct fundraisers such as car washes, paper drives and recycling projects.

**THEY LEARN TO LEAD.** Members hold leadership roles in their club, driving their club's service projects and activities, building leadership and decision making skills along the way.

**THEY FEEL CONFIDENT.** By being a part of a club that gives them an opportunity to develop and use their talents. Aktion Club members improve self-esteem and their belief in themselves.

You'll start noticing abilities, long before disabilities, as Aktion Club members become leaders in their community.



WHO WE ARE Aktion Club of Lake County was founded in 2012 by the Kiwanis Club of Kirtland, Ohio. Aktion Club is the only service club for adults with disabilities, with more than 12,000 members worldwide.

Kiwanis International is a world-wide service organization of volunteers dedicated to serving the world one child and one community at a time.

Founded in 1915 (headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana), Kiwanis International is a thriving organization of service and community minded individuals who support children and adults around the world.

More than 14,000 clubs spanning more than 85 nations make their mark by responding to the needs of their communities and pooling their resources to address not only community but worldwide issues. Through these efforts, Kiwanis truly is "Serving the Children of the World."

The Kiwanis family consists of: Kiwanis Clubs, Circle K Clubs, (Colleges and Universities), Key Clubs (High Schools), Builder's Club (Middle Schools), K-Kids (Elementary Schools) and Aktion Clubs.

These organizations offer benefits of friendship, fellowship and fun, but most importantly the opportunity to collaborate on a variety of projects that help the community.

Aktion Club of Lake County meets monthly either at LCBDD or in the community. Meetings are open to county board eligible individuals with disabilities (18 and older). Come learn more about the organization and our commitment to the community. If you have any questions about Aktion Club of Lake County, please email us at LCBDDAktionClub@gmail.com.

## PAST AND ON-GOING PROJECTS

- Project Hope
- Sub Zero Mission
- Ronald McDonald House Charities
- Holiday Cards for Seniors
- Painted Flower Pots for Nursing Homes
- Kirtland Kiwanis Strawberry Festival

## **FUN EVENTS**

- Summer Picnic
- Halloween Party
- Holiday Dinner











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