

🌟 Celebrating our winners!

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Did Aktion Club members and clubs in your district participate in — or win — a Kiwanis International annual award? Take the opportunity to recognize them! Plan an awards ceremony at your district convention or send certificates to your Aktion Club advisors. You can download the certificates on the [Aktion Club awards webpage](#). Remember, you can also create your own awards, such as “outstanding event,” “best fundraiser,” “amazing mentor” or “outstanding teamwork,” to recognize advisors, officers or members for going above and beyond!

Join us [Tuesday, February 18, at 7 p.m. ET for the next Aktion Club District Administrator Chat: Best practices for administrators](#). Gain tips and ideas from other administrators and Kiwanis International staff — and come prepared to share your own!

AKTION CLUB AWARDS AND CONTESTS



AND THE WINNERS ARE...

Congratulations to the clubs and individuals that shared their accomplishments and used their skills to earn 2023-24 awards for Distinguished Club, Honor Club, and Single Service — as well as awards in our poster, speech, video, nondigital and digital scrapbook contests. [Check out the list of awardees!](#)



DISTINGUISHED CLUB AWARD WINNERS

Kudos to Aktion Clubs that earned the Distinguished Club Award last year! To earn this award, an Aktion Club does many things. Among the criteria are:

- Holding 10 or more club meetings.

- Using parliamentary procedures for meetings (to the best of members' abilities).
- Holding four or more officer board meetings.
- Conducting one or more service projects, fundraising activities and/or social activities.
- Inviting the sponsoring Kiwanis club to attend one or more events or meetings.
- Taking meeting notes for club and officer meetings (by the club secretary).

For example, the Aktion Club of Licking County, Ohio, U.S., held its annual Mother's Day/Spring Flower Sale fundraiser, selling flower containers with messages of love and appreciation. Check out the list of new Distinguished Aktion Clubs!

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**SCRAPBOOK SNEAK
PEEK!**

Scrapbooks entered for the Aktion Club Scrapbook Contest (digital and nondigital) tell stories of club life and service. The [first-place award for nondigital scrapbooks was won by Atascadero Aktion Club](#) in California, U.S. It documented the club's park cleanup, fundraiser movie night for its 10th anniversary, and the nearly 1,900 pounds of donations it collected for a food pantry — all while showing the contributions, individuality and artwork of its members. The digital [first-place winner was Bradenton Kiwanis Aktion Club](#) in Florida, U.S. The colorful scrapbook highlighted friendships and captured members engaged in club life and service activities, including a visit with manatees, a Valentine's Day visit with senior citizens and the help members provided to the Manatee River Kiwanis Club's inaugural Family Festival event. [Learn how to organize a winning scrapbook.](#)

A SENSE OF BELONGING

Aktion Club offers members a place where they're welcomed as part of a team that makes meaningful contributions. So it's fitting that the theme for the 2023-24 Speech Contest was "belonging." Officers and members who submitted speeches had lots to say about how being part of their club made them feel, changed their perceptions of others and gave them a place in their community. In the first-place speech, [Marife M. Calicdan of FK Warriors Aktion Club](#) in Baguio City, Philippines, said: "For many of us [people with disabilities], that sense of belonging can be really hard to find. But in Aktion Club, we have created a place where each of us is important, and where we are given the opportunity to serve, grow and find our purpose together."

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We're growing our family one club at a time! Here are the newly chartered Aktion Clubs and the Kiwanis districts where they're located.

- North Central Arkansas, Batesville, Arkansas, U.S., Missouri-Arkansas District.
- The Connecticut River Valley, Westfield, Massachusetts, U.S., New England & Bermuda District.
- CP Unlimited Brooklyn, New York, New York, U.S., New York District.
- The Opportunity Tree Avondale, Avondale, Arizona, U.S., Southwest District.
- The Arc Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, U.S., Wisconsin-Upper Michigan District.

UPCOMING EVENTS

 **FEBRUARY**

10-14: [K-Kids Week](#)

18: [Aktion Club District Administrator Chat](#): Best practices, 7 p.m. ET

24-28: [Builders Club Week](#)

 **MARCH**

3-7: [Aktion Club Week](#)

23: Key Club's 100th Birthday!

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