

Nebraska-Iowa District, Kiwanis International

Aktion Club News

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News for Aktion Clubs in Nebraska and Iowa

2018 Aktion Club Week, March 5-9

The first full week in March has been designated by Kiwanis International as Aktion Club Week. It's intent is to promote Aktion Clubs, and to show the world that we are active in our communities.

This year, Aktion Clubs will have a chance to participate in Aktion Club Week. It's a week designated to shine a light on Aktion Club and the impact clubs are making in their communities. Each day has a special theme for clubs to follow. In all, more than 500 clubs have the opportunity to participate. It is a great time to build awareness, recruit new members and make Aktion Club a household name. A brief outline of the themes is below. More information will be available soon on the Aktion Club website.

Monday: Show your K in every way – Wear your Aktion Club t-shirts, buttons, pins to showcase Aktion Club wherever you go.

Tuesday: Kudos to Aktion – Host an appreciation party for members; honor club members with certificates, awards.

Wednesday: Dare to Care – Fundraise for a cause; make cards for patients in the hospital.

Thursday: Actions of Kindness - Smile at everyone, open the door for someone, start a conversation with someone standing alone; make thank-you cards for the club advisors.

Friday: Connect the K's – Organize a Kiwanis family event with local Kiwanis, CKI, Key Clubs, Builders Clubs and K-Kids. Do a joint service project with CKI and Key Club or do a "day of play" with K-Kids or Builders Club.

You may have another idea for your club to show itself off by doing some kind of service project or event in your area. Help spread the name of Aktion Club in our communities!

Let Jim Brewer know what plans you are making, and we'll spread the news!

TLC VEGAS

The 2018 Aktion Club Training and Leadership Conference will be hosted in conjunction with the Kiwanis International Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada June 28-29. There will be education for members and advisors, as well as a service project, special guests and entertainment. You won't want to miss it! Below are some preliminary details with more to come as we get closer to the event.

Registration open on February 1st.

Early registration: US\$50
After April 6: US\$75
On site after May 18: US\$125

The tentative schedule has been set, but is subject to change.

Thursday, June 28: 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Friday, June 29: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Keynote Speaker: Dina Bruno, from the movie [DINA](#) and Aktion Club member
Special Guests & Entertainment: [The Penguin Project](#)

Perhaps you were at the TLC at Camp Goodwill near Sioux City in 2016. This is a similar event. If you are planning to go to the International Convention (Like I am), come a day early and participate in this TLC to meet Aktion Club members and leaders from across Kiwanis.

Why Pay Dues?

It's one of those perennial questions. Why should we pay our dues to Kiwanis International? We get along fine by ourselves, why do we need to send that money away?

There are lots of good answers, and here are a few:

Dues connect us. Aktion Club is part of Kiwanis International, and through this connection receive training, membership materials, the legal right to use the Kiwanis and Aktion Club names and logos, and a connection with other Aktion Clubs in our own area.

Dues support us. The dues we pay provide us with annual membership books, training events and information, updates on activities like this update, and a way to learn new ideas.

Dues protect us. Dues help pay for the Kiwanis International Liability Insurance program. By being dues paying Aktion Clubs, your club, its members, and the communities we interact with are protected while traveling to, participating in, or supporting nearly any kind of activity of your Aktion Club. This protection is extremely valuable if there is a claim for damages or injury against a club or individual.

That's all for this time! Let me know when you have questions, comments, or concerns about Aktion Club, Kiwanis, or service in Nebraska and Iowa.

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