Welcome to the 2nd full week of May. First Lady Anne and I hope you were able to safely celebrate Mother’s Day with your families. This week will be a very active week with our 3rd District Webinar, several District and Division Zoom meetings. In addition, while revising this article for the Buckeye Bulletin, your District Board is completing its first email vote representing your clubs and members. This vote is regarding this year’s DCON options. As with the Kiwanis International Board, plans and decisions need to be made now for future required decisions and actions required this Kiwanis year.

Like with the challenges of Kiwanis International and our decisions made earlier this year about the Mid-Year Conference, there are challenges when making these decisions. These include signed contracts, penalty clauses and expenses, national, state, and local government restrictions. What will they be 3 and 4 months from now? Will it be safe, with or without our masks and gloves? Nobody has the 100% correct answer at this time.

As your Governor, it is important for each member of our District to know that:

♦ The Ohio District Kiwanis Boards’ first concern is for Safety of the Kiwanis Family members and guests.

♦ The Ohio District Kiwanis Board and several experienced Kiwanis consultants are making every effort in exploring safe options, for our members during these unprecedented times.

♦ The Ohio Kiwanis Executive Committee and District Boards will be meeting monthly for at least May, June, and July to make sure we are being proactive with updates and decisions for your protection at meetings and Kiwanis events.

♦ There will be increasing focus on developing and enhancing ways for on-line Monthly Division Council Meetings to maintain communication with clubs and members. We are all working on ways to provide additional ways to help Divisions and clubs to establish and meet on-line with their members.

♦ The key to maintain interest in Kiwanis and membership is one word. Communications

With this in mind, I want to give special recognition to Lanton Lee, Executive Director, James Minter, PR Committee Chair, and Bill Pees, Membership Chair, and other Kiwanis worker bees who have developed a list of available Webinars, through May and first half of June. Plus, more to follow. Three of these webinars have already taken place. These webinars and signup information can be found on the ohiokiwanis.org website under the menu button.

Membership Program - Keep an eye open on the Membership Boost 30/20 Plan to help under charter strength Clubs, plus clubs with 20 members or less. Information Included in this month’s Buckeye Bulletin.

The First Family Project continues to receive orders and donations from Kiwanis Divisions, clubs, and members. Thank you. We are all set to make deliveries “safely” when Divisions and clubs are ready.

Several Division and Clubs are concerned about functions missed or canceled already this year.

Do you see Kids on the street without Helmet’s? The answer is YES. They need Helmets NOW. Contact the First Family project at ttcorny2020gov@att.net, and we will send you a list of Ideas from Kiwanis members how to either, get helmets there now, or how to plan or create a new way, a new event, later is the summer for the Kids.

Stay Safe. Remember, “Kids Need Kiwanis.”
Continue The Work

Kiwanis International setup a Webpage titled “Continue The Work” that offers advice for clubs on how to stay connected and continue the good work we do in communities during this global pandemic. Through the bulletin this month you will find several examples of Kiwanis clubs in Ohio continuing the work. Both Kiwanis International and the Ohio District have been working to provide information and resources to support our Kiwanis clubs during these unprecedented times. We encourage you to take advantage of these resources to help your club to Continue The Work. If there is anything the District Office can assist your club with, please contact Sarah or myself.

Kiwanis Children’s Fund COVID-19 Respond Program

The COVID-19 Response Program was designed by the Kiwanis International Children’s Fund to quickly award grants to kick-start projects that help children and families who have encountered hardships due to the pandemic. The scope of projects will vary, and they will accept requests for grants up to US$2,500. Their aim is to award grants in an expedient manner to help your club quickly get your project up and running. Possible projects include:

Health: Sew or purchase face masks for families; partner with an area organization to provide food from local restaurants to families in need; donate to a local food bank; purchase diapers or other infant needs for a local shelter.

Education: Supply e-learning materials or tech support for students; purchase books that can be safely delivered to children or read aloud virtually; partner with an organization to provide child care for families of essential workers; plan safe, creative graduation celebrations for high school seniors.

The program will be administered by these guidelines:

♦ All requests are first come, first served and will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
♦ The project must support activities related to health (includes meeting children’s basic needs) or education in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
♦ To support as many clubs as possible, we are offering a maximum of $2,500 to support or fund your project.
♦ All grant funds must be spent within 90 days of the grant approval.

As of today, three Ohio Kiwanis clubs have received the COVID-19 Response Grants, the Kiwanis Clubs of Cuyahoga Falls, Brecksville, and Hilliard.

Click here for more information on this great opportunity from our Kiwanis Children’s Fund.

Have news to share?

The Buckeye Bulletin is always looking to share good news about the terrific service that our clubs are doing. To share your club’s story in the Buckeye Bulletin, please submit an attached photo of your club members in action. A brief description of the project and who will be benefitting from the activity should be included. If this is a signature project or a new project, that information should be included as well.

You never know, your project could inspire another club in the district to do something similar in their community. We are also interested in your Service Leadership Program clubs’ activities since they often do amazing projects with minimal resources available to them.

Send articles to: info@ohiokiwanis.org. We will use them as space allows.
The Kiwanis International Board approved a motion for the waiver of the Kiwanis International new member fee for any new members who join existing Kiwanis clubs between April 22, 2020 and September 30, 2020. Further, due to the emergency conditions and resulting effects created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Kiwanis International Board recommends districts and clubs to also waive their respective new member fees.

On April 29, 2020, the Ohio Kiwanis District Executive Committee representing the Ohio District Kiwanis Board voted and agreed to follow the suggestion of Kiwanis International and waive new member fees related to the Ohio District, and is asking Divisions and Club to follow. If the Divisions and Clubs follow this request, it would mean any new Kiwanis member in our District could join Kiwanis until the end of the year for “FREE”. If you need suggestions on how to leverage this to grow your club please contact Ohio District Membership Coordinator, Bill Pees at 937-361-8694 or williampees61985@gmail.com.

**Webinars for the Leader in you!** The Ohio District of Kiwanis is offering online educational opportunities to our members, each live session is limited to 100 members, but we will be posting recordings of each webinar on the district website for later viewing. Register now to learn how you can boost your club’s presence and impact.

**Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 12:15 pm**  **Kiwanis Zoom-Zoom for Membership BOOM PR Webinar**
*In this webinar you will learn more about utilizing online resources like Zoom, divisional/district calendars, Facebook and websites to promote your club and utilize resources for committee meetings and promoting events like a membership drive.*
Presenter: James Minter, Public Relations Coordinator, Ohio District Kiwanis
Register in advance for this webinar: [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_x7GdyixgSFyPDkOvUIOPtg](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_x7GdyixgSFyPDkOvUIOPtg)
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**Monday, May 18, 2020 at 7:15 pm**  **Membership Boost Q4**
*Join this webinar to learn about a new program that is supported by the Ohio district, public relations and membership committees which will provide guided assistance for all divisions and participating clubs with developing, promoting and executing a membership focused event for the 4th Quarter of the year (July, August, September).*
Presenters: James Minter, Public Relations Coordinator, Ohio District of Kiwanis
Bill Pees, Membership Coordinator, Ohio District of Kiwanis
Register in advance for this webinar: [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DxBOovXTS5G9xT6rmkxrlg](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DxBOovXTS5G9xT6rmkxrlg)
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**Monday, June 1, 2020 at 7:15 pm**  **Club Coaches Training**
*In this session you will learn about the coaching process and the tools and resources available to help you be a successful club coach.*
Presenters: Bill Snellgrove, Club Coach Training Chair & Past District Governor, Ohio District of Kiwanis, Lanton Lee, Executive Director, Ohio District of Kiwanis
Register in advance for this webinar: [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-quNXke8Tsq2rcbD3Tk57Q](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-quNXke8Tsq2rcbD3Tk57Q)
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**Monday, June 8, 2020 at 7:15 pm**  **Free Media, Marketing, and Advertising**
*Join Kiwanis International Area Director Emily Sharp to learn about free media, marketing and advertising to help promote your club.*
Register in advance for this webinar:[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-8LE-M_PTtG71YTnJkDQIA](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-8LE-M_PTtG71YTnJkDQIA)
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
Your Membership /PR Team have been working on several areas that are designed to help strengthen clubs and create more interest as we navigate through these challenging times. There have been several items and events postponed or cancelled. **The use of virtual online meetings such as Zoom, Free-Conference, Go To Meetings, Ring Central, and more are examples** that many clubs are using to stay connected with their members. Executive Director Lanton Lee has opened two Zoom District accounts that can be used. If you want more information, contact him at: Executivedirector@ohiokiwanis.org.

“Grow Your Membership in May” has been extended till the end of September with registration open thru May 31st. This would be support by the District for a membership event in August and September. This name has become **“Membership Boost Q4”**. The application timeline has been extended to May 31st. The program is available to the first 30 clubs filling out the program application. The PR and Membership involvement will begin in August with PR support like FaceBook, website help for Open House or other events starting the second half of August into September. **A name for the on-line form is: Membership Boost Q-4 Request Form.** Clubs or Divisions would contribute $100 and the District $100 to offset the cost of the social media support.

In addition, there are going to be a series of **Webinars available starting April 30th and every Monday except Memorial Day from 7:15 to 7:45 at night.** Topics such as Press Briefing with Governor Tim Cornelius, Making Meetings Fun, Introduction to Club Coaching, Membership Boost Q4 30/20 program, Club Coaches’ Training, Free Media, Marketing, and Advertising.

If your club or individuals would like to take part in an inter club with another club thru virtual contact Bill Snellgrove at wsnellgr@columbus.rr.com. This is the popular I-next Internet Club that has a lot to offer thru their programs. All of the above mentioned are designed to generate additional interest in Kiwanis and the resources the Ohio District has to offer. All the best and stay healthy!

Questions contact: Bill Pees at williampees61985@gmail.com or James Minter at PR@ohioKiwanis.org

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**The Wellington Kiwanis Club** has donated $1,000 to Well-Help to help meet a growing demand for assistance in southern Lorain County.

“This is awesome,” said Well-HELP office coordinator Bernie Raab upon learning of the contribution. “We’ve seen a demand increase from local families who have never had to ask for assistance before. We’ll stretch that $1,000 as far as we can.”

In March, the food pantry served about 325 southern Lorain County residents, including 18 new families.

Members of the 96-year-old club authorized the donation at a special meeting via “Zoom” Wednesday morning.

Kiwanis President Rev. Paul Wilson said the club’s annual Morris Furcron Memorial Nut Sale last fall and the club’s Pancake Day in February produced excellent results. “We had outstanding community support. We have been supporting the Duke Pride Carnival and the Wellington High Community Day. When those events had to be cancelled due to the pandemic, we decided to redirect those funds to serve the community in a different way. Kiwanis’ mission is all about helping kids. This is just another way we can serve the community.”

Well-Help is a non-profit food pantry. During the COVID-19 crisis, they have been distributing food from 10 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday from its drive-thru distribution center at the First United Methodist Church (next to the Village Town Hall in the center of town). Well Help purchases food from Second Harvest and Village Market in Wellington. Donations of food or money can be sent to Well-Help Inc. 194 South Main St., Wellington, Oh 44090.

Kiwanis has been in existence in Wellington for 96 years. The club meets at 12 noon on the first and third Thursdays at Bread-N-Brew Restaurant on the square in Wellington. It is hoped the club can convene in person starting in May.
A Student’s Perspective on Key Leader

Thoughts from a Key Leader graduate. Thanks to Key Club member Patrick Shaffer for his insight into what Key Leader means to students.

“I learned how to be a good servant leader. Key Leader taught me that putting others first is important. I have made many friends through the Key Leader program. Key leader is a very educational, yet fun, weekend-long experience.”

Why should Kiwanis Clubs help students go to the event? "Kiwanis clubs should help students attend Key Leader because it teaches very good lessons about leadership that are very valuable and can’t be found anywhere else.”

Who should go? "It is open to all high schools, but the Kiwanian sponsors are just as important as the students.”

What was your favorite activity? “My favorite activity is on Saturday afternoon, it is the low ropes course. We go out to the back of camp where they have a lot of team building activities such as the squeeze box and the trust fall.”

Why is it important to be a servant leader? “It is important to be a servant leader because it can get a lot of people to respect you. It is great to get people to notice you because they will see you putting others in front of you.”

How do you use your Key Leader skills back at home? “I use my Key Leader skills back at home in my Key Club to help lead it to success. I also use my Key Leader skills to make new friends. I also use the skills I learned to lead my Boy Scout troop and work on my Eagle Scout rank.”

Save the date for Key Leader 2020. November 13-15 at Recreation Unlimited. Student cost will be $175 for the entire weekend. Registration is anticipated to open in August. Further information will be coming soon to www.ohiokiwanis.org/page/44006.

Former First Lady Iris Gilbert (1994-1995) Passed away on April 8, 2020. She and Former Governor Albert Gilbert Jr., were married for 70 years. Iris taught school in the Cleveland City Schools District for more than 30 years. Upon retirement, she embraced philanthropic endeavors that included the creation of "Your Little Acre", a day retreat for senior citizens and a scholarship funded through Kiwanis.

Memorial services celebrating her life will be held at a subsequent date to be announced. Remembrances and condolences to the family may be sent Al Gilbert c/o The Avenue at Macedonia, 9730 Valley View Road, Macedonia, OH 44056.

CLUB ELECTIONS CAN BE HELD ELECTRONICALLY

While Kiwanis members practice social distancing and avoid meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic, there are electronic solutions for conducting business.

The Kiwanis International Bylaws require that clubs hold annual meetings and the election of 2020-21 officers by May 15. If your club was planning to hold elections soon, you can postpone that meeting to see if restrictions ease by the deadline, or you can follow these guidelines to conduct elections through an online voting website or app.

Once your slate of officers has been determined, please post them in the club election reports of the secretary’s dashboard. If you are unable to do so, please send an email with pertinent information to Sarah@ohiokiwanis.org.

Meanwhile, we urge all clubs to follow the restrictions and precautions recommended by local health departments to keep members, their families and their communities safe.
Granville Kiwanis Presents Service Award to Local Youth

Kaleigh Warner will receive Granville Kiwanis Youth Community Service Award for her hours of organizing a shopping network for Kendal and Middleton residents during the COVID 19 Pandemic. Jeff and Andrew Ross of Ross Granville Market met with Jake and Sabrina Warner expressing a need for help in servicing the senior citizen population with grocery shopping during the pandemic. The Warner family, owners of Knuckleheads, made a social media video asking for community volunteers to shop for Granville's seniors.

Kaleigh Warner, a senior at C-Tech in the Children Education Program, volunteered to head up the program. During the next two months, Kaleigh received all the senior citizen calls and recorded their grocery requests. On a daily basis, she contacted her 20 volunteers for availability in shopping for the seniors and delivering the groceries. Kaleigh's army made over 300 shopping trips for seniors that were quarantined at Kendal or who did not feel comfortable venturing out to the grocery store. Ross's developed a payment system that supported this program's ability to run along seamlessly.

The program started in March and ended May 1st when Governor DeWine eased the restrictions. Kaleigh's Army was made up of Granville residents who faithfully spent their time gathering and delivering all the items requested. Our area senior citizens were extremely thankful for the assistance during this difficult time.

Granville Kiwanis is proud to recognize Kaleigh Warner's leadership and organizational skills needed to ensure the success this program. Kaleigh would like to thank all of her volunteers without whom the program would not have been able to serve so many.

 Builders Club  Advisors are reminded that Annual Achievement award Submissions are due May 15. To download the forms, visit www.BuildersClub.org. Kiwanis Kids  advisors are also encouraged to submit their Distinguished/Honor Club Forms by May 15. Those documents may be found at www.K-Kids.org.

The forms are simple and easy to complete. Your students have already done the work and now it is time for them to be recognized for their leadership and efforts.

Key Club  advisors are reminded club election results are due to the Ohio District office by May 31st. We need the students name, position , email and phone number along with the name of the school. This allows division and district officers to reach specific officers regarding information on how to be better leaders and to run a more successful club. Contact information is not shared with outside organizations.

Brecksville Kiwanis Staying Active During Stay-at-Home Orders

During the month of April, the Brecksville Kiwanis Club hosted a different sort of Easter Egg Hunt. Saddened by the cancellation of the annual Easter Egg Hunt, a community and club favorite, President Kevin Brusk turned to a creative alternative. Along with the Brecksville-Broadview Heights Schools Parent School Organization (PSO), Easter egg coloring pages were distributed through the club’s Facebook page, PSO webpage and other means.

Residents of Brecksville and neighboring Broadview Heights were encouraged to color the eggs and post their work in windows of their homes for all to see. In addition, families were invited to submit their artwork to the Brecksville Kiwanis Facebook page for a coloring contest. Gift cards were awarded to winners and the decorations were enjoyed by all. Currently, the Kiwanis Club is exploring other virtual projects including fundraising and service opportunities. Meetings are being held online through Zoom for the foreseeable future.
Thank you all who helped provide a tiger bag for my family, it is much appreciated. Our pickup location was Northminster Church, it was super easy pulling right up to the doors at the half circle, giving my name to the friendly woman at my passenger window, popping open my trunk and someone loading the box, making for great no contact service. The items we received were more than expected. We thought it'd be more on the lines of milk bread eggs and spaghetti, and that would have been good too. Instead we were given cereal, vegetables, fruits, salad mix, mac'n cheese, yogurt, cottage cheese, chips and other snacks, soda, canned goods, and a pack of chicken with bbq sauce, which will be great on the grill. All of which my family will love. Thank you again for all of your generous donations and time to provide food for those of us who are struggling a bit more now. It truly means a lot. On a personal note, this is the first time I've ever signed up for something like this, being a newly single mother during this time. I was hesitant and nervous, and a bit embarrassed to be honest. But I have to say that the lady I interacted with was very kind and pleasant and in no way did I feel judged for needing a little extra help in providing food for my kids. Thank you for that.

As a mother to four school age children, the Tiger bag program has been such an amazing blessing for our family, and I have nothing but gratitude for all those amazing people who organize and contribute to this program. What a beautiful and considerate way to show myself and my children that kindness and generosity exist in humanity. Thank you all from the sincerest place in my heart.

We are so grateful to have this program available to our family. I appreciate each and everyone of all that are a part of making this program so great! Love knowing there are so many caring people around.

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You guys are doing a awesome job for family’s that needs this during school being out during this virus this helps my family out more then you guys know thank you so much for doing this.
Sometimes growth comes from unexpected places. Who would have thought a dumb virus would have forced us to reimagine a new process to educate our future leaders? While we have been taking a hard look at the content and methods of delivering our previous Certified Leadership Education sessions for emerging club leaders, the ban on gatherings larger than 10 people has dramatically changed the landscape of our activities.

This year, we will be doing the bulk of our education through webinars. The district is still working out details, but, it looks like we will be doing 3-4 webinars which will be about an hour in length covering different aspects of leadership. The education team will present segments designed to help you be a more effective leader and for your club to be more productive in your community. We are working on developing secondary resource materials which encompass topics which have been requested by current club leaders. The live webinars will be limited to 100 members which have the added benefit of being able to ask questions of the presenters. The recorded webinars offer the luxury of being available at any time convenient to the viewer. If viewers have questions, they will be able to call or email members of the education team for clarification.

In addition to webinars, our team of Certified Education Leaders continues to grow. Most divisions have the luxury of having at least one educator able to assist clubs in their division. Club and International by-laws call for the election and reporting of club officers prior to June 1st. Each year, dozens of clubs fail to comply with this requirement. Even if club officers are repeating their roles, it needs to be reported via the secretary dashboard. If your secretary is unable to do this, a simple email with the name of the club sharing the name, mailing address, preferred email address and telephone number of each officer will suffice. Simply email them to Sarah@ohiokiwanis.org and I will make certain that both Kiwanis International and the Ohio District has the information.

Kiwanis International will be sending invitations to all new officers the first of June, these invitations will provide sign up links to new officers for the week of June 8-13. The tentative schedule is Monday—June 8: Club Presidents and Vice Presidents, Tuesday –June 9: Club Secretaries, Wednesday-June 10: Club Treasurers, Thursday June 11 will be for Club Membership Committees. Each of these days will offer four sessions starting at 4:00 PM and running about 75 minutes, with the last session for each day starting at 8:30 PM and ending at 9:45 PM. Saturday June 13 will offer 2 sessions each for club Presidents, Secretaries, and Treasurers; these sessions will be staggered. Details will be in the email you will receive from Kiwanis International. It is vital that not only are new officers reported promptly, but, that their email and telephone numbers be updated as well. These webinars will cover topics specific to Kiwanis International and will closely follow the new Guidebooks.

Additional information regarding District Certified Education Sessions will be shared in future Buckeye Bulletins, on the district website and with your incoming and current Lt. Governors as well as sent directly to the incoming officers.

**OHIO DISTRICT KIWANIS FOUNDATION DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS**

The Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation has received donations to its Disaster Relief Fund which are now available to Kiwanis Clubs in Ohio. The ODKF is offering grants so clubs can continue to support communities and serve Ohio’s children and families at this time of heightened need!

If your Kiwanis Club has a need for which the Foundation could provide funds please visit our odkf.org website and complete a disaster relief fund grant form. Email the form to treasurer@odkf.org

If you, your Kiwanis club, and/or your division would like to make a donation to the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation Disaster Relief Fund, please go to the odkf.org website. Click the Donate Now button and select the link to Disaster Relief Funds. Kids and families in our communities will appreciate your support.
2018-19 Distinguished Clubs and Officers

Typically, recognitions for Distinguished Clubs would be presented at the district MidYear Conference, this year, recognitions will be mailed to club secretaries. In no way does this diminish the appreciation for the hard work each and every person has done toward making their club a success. On behalf of the Oho District of Kiwanis—Thank you!

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Distinguished Criteria for 2018-2019 was set by Kiwanis International and included:

**CLUB RECOGNITION (must complete 3 of 4)**

**Membership and Education**— Net increase in membership; OR Sponsor a new Kiwanis Club.

**Community Impact**— Conduct a signature project; AND Sponsor at least 1 Service Leadership Program club.

**Our Kiwanis Image**— President and Secretary participate in Certified Leadership Education training.

**Financial Viability**— Make per member donation to Kiwanis Children’s Fund of $10 per member

Information regarding the Distinguished Club Criteria may be found on the Ohio District Kiwanis website at [http://www.ohiokiwanis.org/Page/968](http://www.ohiokiwanis.org/Page/968)
**Distinguished Lt. Governors for 2018-19 Announced**

The Distinguished Lt. Governors for Ohio have been announced. Normally, they would have been presented with their certificate and lapel pin signifying this honor, at the annual MidYear Education Day. However, their honors were mailed to them and we are pleased to share the recipients:

- Jeff Schulman
  Division 2
- Craig Smith
  Division 10W
- Stanley Wojdyla
  Division 13
- Hasani Wheat
  Division 15

To be considered for Distinguished Status, a Lt. Governor had to have at least five clubs in their division be “in good standing” with Kiwanis International, and Open a new club in the division OR have at least two thirds of clubs in the division achieve a net increase in membership. Please express your appreciation to these hard-working individuals and the clubs within their division to achieve this status.

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**AKTION Club District Leadership and Education Day “On Hold”**

With the cancellation of this year’s International Convention by Kiwanis International and other events for Key Club and Circle K, it seems that attention must be given to our scheduled AKTION Club District Leadership Conference set for July.

After contacting several Aktion Club advisors and talking with our Ohio Governor, Tim Cornelius and Lanton Lee, our Ohio District Executive Director, I feel that it is in the best interests of guaranteeing the continued health and welfare of our Aktion Club members, that we at least put this year’s event “on hold”. As I hate to say “cancel!”, I feel it is appropriate to put it “on hold” for now with the hope that we can come up with a different event for later in this administrative year once some of the restrictions on large group meetings are relaxed. Be it a virtual event or some type of activity that possibly piggybacks on another Ohio District Event, I encourage Aktion Club advisors to email suggestions for such an event that would allow Aktion Club members to interact with members from Clubs all around the Ohio District. Please don’t hesitate to drop questions, suggestions, and updates to me on what and how your Aktion Clubs are meeting and doing service during this health emergency.

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