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## MICHIGAN DISTRICT

### AKTION CLUB TLC 2013 - INDIANAPOLIS

**Do the clubs in your district know about the upcoming Training and Leadership Conference, September 6-8?** It will be here before we know it! Please be sure to promote this amazing international event that is open to all Aktion Club members, as well as their caregivers, advisors, etc. It is a wonderful chance for members from all around the world to get together and enjoy workshops, service, and fellowship. This year, we have NO LIMIT on how many members can attend from each district. We do have limited space, so registrations will be taken on a first come, first served basis. **Therefore, start planning NOW.** The registration fee is only \$100 per attendee, which includes programming, food and lodging. This is an amazing value! Register: [http://www.formstack.com/forms/Kiwaniis-2013\\_AktionClub\\_TLC](http://www.formstack.com/forms/Kiwaniis-2013_AktionClub_TLC)

For complete details of this event, go to our [web page](#).

If you need assistance on funding this opportunity, please check out the following resources: [sponsorship toolkit](#) [sponsorship presentation](#)

### THANK GOD FOR CARING CAREGIVERS

By Gordon Schleicher, Aktion Club Administrator

As I walked around the stadium visiting clubs during the Aktion Club Day at the Ballpark in Lansing on May 22, I met more than 20 staff, parents, guardians, club advisors and Kiwanis volunteers who came to be with Aktion Club members for the event. I saw how hard you worked and under less than ideal weather conditions. I thank God for you. Whether volunteer or paid you make it possible for Aktion Club members to have the opportunity to lead and serve and once and a while enjoy themselves at an event like May 22. I thank you and Kiwanis thanks you. And we have a gift for you when you come to the September 20-21 Aktion Club Convention.



May 22, 2013

MI AKTION CLUBS ENJOY THE GAME!

### AKTION CLUB DAY AT COOLEY STADIUM

Aktion Club members had a great time in spite of the weather. 73 Aktion Club members from seven clubs along with 22 staff and volunteers spent May 22 in Lansing for the Aktion Club Day at the Ballpark event. Charlevoix Aktion Club came the farthest, the newly chartered Howell-Brighton club was there along with clubs from St. Johns, Mason Rocks, Mason Rural Outreach, and Hearts of Gold – Mason.”

## THE AKTION CLUB TEE CONTEST

Nobody promotes Aktion Club and its values quite like Aktion Clubbers themselves. So when it comes to a T-shirt that spreads the message, members deserve the chance to design it. That is why we are giving members a chance to submit their design for the new Aktion Club t-shirt. **The winning design will be sold in the Kiwanis Store for a whole year!** The deadline for all submissions is July 1, 2013, so start designing your T-shirt today! Once your design is complete, send it to: [aktionclubinfo@kiwanis.org](mailto:aktionclubinfo@kiwanis.org), along with your name, advisor name, email address and phone number. The international staff will judge the entries. **The winner will be announced at the Training and Leadership Conference in September, 2013.** For complete details, go to the Aktion Club [website](#).

## BRIGHTON AKTION CLUB

The **Brighton and Howell Kiwanis Clubs** have joined together to charter an Aktion club for Livingston County. This is in conjunction with special ministries of Livingston County. Aktion club is another part of the Kiwanis International family of organizations that support the children and adults of the world. Aktion Club is a community-service group composed of adults who live with disabilities. Aktion Club inspires adults living with disabilities to take on a leadership role -- to play a part and really make a difference. Aktion Club members have the opportunity to give back to the community. Currently there are 18 excited members and they meet twice a month. Meeting are with a program or a project. They have worked with Brighton Kiwanis club in cleaning up the Imagination Station in the park in downtown Brighton. 16 member attended the Lugnuts baseball game in May. There were 25 from the Aktion Club and Brighton Kiwanis in attendance. Projects in the future will include helping with the concerts in the park for both Brighton and Howell, parking cars at the Ballonfest in June, softball games, and many other projects. Members are looking forward to the Convention in September. The official charter celebration is being planned for July.



Members of the Brighton AKTION Club



## **WELCOME TO NEW CLUBS—**

### **Lapeer Independence in AKTION & Brighton**

Lapeer Independence in Aktion Club officers and Kiwanis advisor Julie Caris and agency advisor Chris Hinkley



**We'd like to feature what your club is doing so send us an article and photos.**

**CRITERIA TO SUBMIT ARTICLES / ANNOUNCEMENTS / PICTURES TO MICHIGAN AKTION NEWSLETTER:**

Submit all items—written & photos—**before the 20th of the month before publication** to Gordon Schleicher, Administrator at [gscleicher1@wowway.com](mailto:gscleicher1@wowway.com).



# **Get Ready for the 2013 Camp/Convention September 20-21**

We'll be at the same location as the last two years, Vestaburg Michigan. We'll enjoy the same fun with mini golf, so' mores over the campfire, seven foot banana split, craft project, service project, club/group photo, T-shirt, poster and speech contests, awards, and election of Aktion Club Governor Elect. All for **\$20pp**. We will also have a talent contest with each club sharing their best act. Email **Susan Shehan**, [rainbowhomes@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rainbowhomes@sbcglobal.net) registrar, and request a registration packet.

## **HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2012 CAMP /CONVENTION**

