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## The Aktion Club of Riverside Participates in Worldwide Community Service Event

**Riverside, CA** – The Aktion Club of Riverside recently participated in the 2010 Kiwanis One Day event, a global effort that brings thousands of Kiwanians together through community service projects. The event was held on Saturday, April 10.

The Aktion Club of Riverside is a newly formed community service club whose members happen to have developmental disabilities. They participated, along with other community groups, to clean up and remove graffiti at La Sierra Park in Riverside. Eight members of the Aktion Club including people with and without disabilities, traversed the park - cleaning, raking and sweeping as they went along.

The park clean up was organized by Keep Riverside Clean & Beautiful, a nonprofit organization that instills community pride through volunteer beautification projects.

Mark Cloud, an advisor for the Aktion Club of Riverside who participated in the event, says club members enjoyed their involvement, “As a first community project, this event has been great for all of us,” he said. “It gives us a chance to give back to our community and to show fellow Riversiders that people with disabilities care and want to make their community a better place to live.”

The Aktion Club, formed by The Arc of Riverside County, meets bi-monthly to discuss important topics related to people with developmental disabilities, plan volunteer projects in the community, and participate in fun activities. Almost 30 Aktion Clubs have been formed in California in recent years. Each is sponsored by a local Kiwanis Club. Arlington Kiwanis Club is the sponsor of the Riverside Aktion Club.

The Aktion Club believes that people with developmental disabilities have inherent value and deserve respect. That’s why the club has adopted “The Value of One” ideal as its theme. The Value of One project promotes dignity and respect for people with developmental disabilities. More can be found at [thevalueofone.org](http://thevalueofone.org).

The Arc Riverside County is a non-profit organization that provides supports and services for more than 350 adults with developmental disabilities. The Arc is headquartered in Riverside at 8138 Mar Vista Court. For more information about The Arc, visit [arcriderside.org](http://arcriderside.org).

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