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Wayne ARC Aktion Club Takes Action Against Hunger

In celebration of NYSARC's Presidents Week highlighting the many ways individuals with disabilities give back to their communities, the Wayne ARC Aktion Club, affiliated with the Newark Kiwanis Club, asked their Wayne ARC family to help them "Take Action Against Hunger". On March 24th club members placed collection boxes throughout Wayne ARC including Roosevelt Children's Center. Boxes were also placed at the Lyons National Bank's Newark Branch, Sewert Chiropractic Office and IEC Electronics Corporation. On April 3rd club members and Wayne ARC service recipients Matt Jordan, Jon Fish and Gabe Vazquez collected the donated non perishable goods. The food items were delivered to three area food closets; the Newark Food Closet, the Success Center in Sodus, and the First Presbyterian Church in Lyons. In addition to delivering the six large boxes of food to the area food closets, club members Eric Johnson and Loren Kniest presented the Newark Food Closet with a check for \$150.00 from the Newark Kiwanis Club.

The Kiwanis Aktion Club is the only service club for adults with disabilities, with more than 9,000 members worldwide. In 2004, Wayne ARC staff members proposed the start-up of an Aktion Club to the Newark Kiwanis Club. The club formation was approved and chartered soon after. The club is open to any adult living with a developmental disability who desires to become a leader and wishes to provide service to others. Similar to any other service club, meetings are held regularly, officers are elected and members are organized into committees. To offer service project ideas or to learn more about the Wayne ARC Aktion Club, contact club advisor, Terri Skinner at Terri.Skinner@waynearc.org.

Wayne ARC is a private, not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization serving over 1400 people with and without developmental and intellectual disabilities throughout Wayne County. Roosevelt Children's Center, a program of Wayne ARC, provides a variety of educational and clinical services to children ages birth to 5 years, and their families. Wayne ARC is also a premier employer locally with over 500 employees. For more information regarding Wayne ARC or Roosevelt Children's Center please contact us at 315-331-7741, visit us on the web at www.waynearc.org or connect with us on facebook.



Jon Fish, Gabe Vazquez and Matt Jordan with some of the collected food items



Loren Kniest and Eric Johnson present Joanne DePauw with a check from the Newark Kiwanis Club