



## 2007-08 Literacy Resource Group Terms of Reference & Goals

### **Our Responsibilities**

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#### ***Our Terms of Reference***

*(as defined in the 2007-08 Official Directory)*

This resource group will provide information and support for Rotary clubs and districts to encourage participation in programs and projects that promote universal literacy and educational opportunities for all.

#### ***Our Goals***

The 2007-08 Literacy Resource Group will:

- Raise awareness of literacy issues by encouraging:
  - Every district to carry out a literacy seminar
  - Every district conference and institute to include a literacy component
  - Every district governor to present a district literacy award
- Request every Rotary club to participate in International Literacy Day on 8 September 2007 and Rotary Literacy Month in March 2008
- Ask every Rotary club to undertake a literacy project either at home or abroad
- Seek opportunities for alliances with other organizations and educational institutions

#### ***Key Literacy Projects***

- *Canadian Computer-Assisted Learning Solution (CCALS)* – [www.autoskill.com/rotary](http://www.autoskill.com/rotary) – Provides instructional software for English computer-based literacy training.
- *Concentrated Language Encounters (CLE)* – [www.cleliteracy.org](http://www.cleliteracy.org) – A popular teaching method Rotary clubs and districts have adopted for their literacy projects worldwide.
- *The Dictionary Project* – [www.dictionaryproject.org](http://www.dictionaryproject.org) – Provides free dictionaries and other books to secondary school students.
- *Every School a Star* – A toolkit for conducting school based literacy projects being developed jointly by the International Reading Association and Rotary International.
- *School Partnerships* – Many Rotary clubs have chosen to partner with schools in their communities to enhance local learning opportunities.
- *Reading by Nine* – [www.latimes.com/extras/readingby9](http://www.latimes.com/extras/readingby9) – Rotarians attending the 2008 RI Convention in Los Angeles will be able to support literacy by donating books to California reading programs.