Web Sites for Literacy Information: from Global to Local

Rotary International http://www.rotary.org/

go to the 'site' map at bottom right good source for Rotary's involvement, project suggestions.

International Reading Association www.reading.org

RI has joined with the IRA in a partnership to promote literacy worldwide; source for literacy professionals.

Room to Read www.roomtoread.org

Partners with local communities throughout the developing world to establish libraries and schools.

Read.gov http://www.read.gov

Center for the Book in the Library of Congress created this web site to encourage reading for all ages, with emphasis on children and adults reading to children.

American Library Association <u>http://www.ala.org</u>

go to "Issues and Advocacy" then "literacy' national source for programs in libraries.

Dollar General Literacy Foundation <u>www.2.dollargeneral.com/dgliteracy</u> grants to non-profits and schools to fund GED, learn English.

ProLiteracy/ Directory http://www.proliteracy.org

find a local program near you by state, city, zip code.

Reach Out and Read http://www.reachoutandread.org

National program with an Illinois link: <u>http://illinoisaap.org/reachoutandreadillinois</u> provides age appropriate books for children as part of well baby visits at clinics and pediatricians. Contact: <u>RORILinfo@illinoisaap.com</u> 312/773-1026, ext 204.

Illinois LINCS http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com

Click on Programs, then click on Literacy: state information for programs and grants through the Secretary of State's office. The third Thursday in November is *Family Reading Night*. To order posters, bookmarks and stickers, go to the cyberdriveillinois link above and find publications; you can fax your order in March of each year. Other publications about literacy projects are available free.

**Rotary District 6440 www.rotary6440.org

go to 'Avenues of Service' at top of page, choose 'Vocational Service', choose 'Literacy'. Find District information about Literary Committee meetings, programs, literacy awards (application is on line), description of area projects with contact information.

Literacy Volunteers of Lake County <u>www.adultlearningconnection.org</u> programs for adults available in Lake County.

Literacy Du Page <u>http://www.literacyvolunteersdupage.org</u> programs for adults available in Du Page County.

Literacy Volunteers of Western Cook County <u>http://www.lvwcc.org</u> programs for adults available in Cook County.

Sources for inexpensive books for literacy projects:

The Dictionary Project <u>http://www.dictionaryproject.org/</u> program to give inexpensive paperback dictionaries to local third graders

Star Bright Books <u>http://www.starbrightbooks.com</u> gives non-profit groups 60% off retail price of children's books that are distributed free

Start with the District 6440 web site! You will find many other links from these, depending on your interest; these are excellent sources to begin.

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