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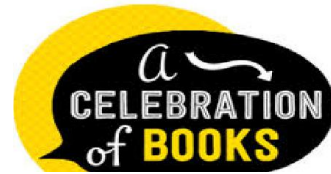


Literacy  
Rotarian Action Group

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Welcome to the 2014 RI Convention Issue of the LitRAG Newsletter.

Among other items in this issue, you will find information about LitRAG events during convention and the ideas behind RIP Ron Burton's commissioning of a **Labyrinth for Literacy**. This installation of books at the entrance to the House of Fellowship is indeed ...



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libraries benefitted from Book Aid International's distribution of 563,424 new books last year. Since 1954, more than 30 million books have been distributed among partner libraries. Find out more from the Book Aid International website (see above).

**Participate in LitRAG activities @ RI Convention, Sydney, June 2014**

- \* Visit us at Booth #108 in The House of Friendship, Saturday - Wednesday
- \* Attend our Breakout Session: Monday, 2 June at 13:30 - 15:00, ANZ Stadium East, Boulevard Lounge North
- \* Attend our AGM: Tuesday, 3 June at 14:00 - 15:30, Parkland
- \* Join LitRAG! [www.litrag.org](http://www.litrag.org)



## A ROTARY LABYRINTH FOR LITERACY AT SYDNEY CONVENTION

### *My friends in Rotary.*

Literacy projects have always been a cornerstone of Rotary service around the world and Jetta and I have taken steps to ensure there is a successful literacy promotion as part of the 2014 Rotary International Convention in Sydney, Australia.

Right inside the main entry area to the Billabong House of Friendship within the Showground at Sydney Olympic Park, the Literacy Rotarian Action Group (LitRAG) has organized a giant Book Labyrinth to support Literacy projects in Australia.

Jetta and I will be delighted if you would donate a picture storybook during your visit to the 2014 Convention. We encourage you to bring a book from your home country OR to purchase a new book from the Scholastic Booth adjacent to the Labyrinth.

A similar book collection project at the Los Angeles Convention some years ago collected almost 250,000 books for local schools.

Sydney's Labyrinth for Literacy is also aimed at primary school aged children and all books will be distributed to community literacy projects at the conclusion of the Convention!

So, please take time to visit the Labyrinth for Literacy project – right inside the main entry area to the Billabong House of Friendship at Sydney 2014.

**Ron Burton,**  
**President,**  
**Rotary International 2013/14.**