

## Reading Action Programme – Round Table

10 October, 13:30 – 14:15

Dorint Room

George Muskens, chairperson of RAP commission, MD 110

### Speaker:

Delegates reporting on their reading activities and making proposals regarding the next steps and LCI procedures and regulations.

### Key message

What have we achieved within the framework of the LCI Reading Action Programme?

What can and should we do at club, district, zone and regional level?

**Icelandic contribution to RAP:** Lion's book project to promote reading of text with a history theme. The Lions, with funding from 42 clubs, are producing top-quality books and give them to 6-year olds who are about to start school! (Project in cooperation with the ministry.) On a separate bookmark, Lions promote their organisation and projects.

A next logical step would be reading hours for children.

**US contribution by Michelle Anderson:** Is involved in programmes for children and young people, and particularly in fund-raising. She has brought up the issue of new goals for the coming 100 years and feels that there is a need for a change of focus. More efforts have to be made with regard to education in general and reading/literature in particular. She gave her e-mail address ([michelle.anderson@lionsclub.flickr.com](mailto:michelle.anderson@lionsclub.flickr.com)) where interested parties can find more information and also a few pictures. There is even a special blog!

Over the next century, 100 million people worldwide should benefit from the work of the Lions.

**Outline of own project:** a party was organised for homeless children. The event included a DJ, a cake, small presents, etc. and the pictures can be seen at Flickr. Michelle Anderson finds it important that the RAPs are supported and promoted further.

**Dutch contribution:** Assistance to people who find it difficult to fit into "normal" society.