

## NCL Publications

### ■ *Rescue and Preservation of Chinese Precious Books*



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The NCL boasts a robust collection of Chinese rare books from the Song, Yuan, and Ming dynasties. This is primarily due to the fact that in 1940-41, during the World War II, a secret purchase of several private collections was conducted in the enemy-occupied area of Shanghai. With the support of the Ministry of Education and the Board of Trustees of Sino-British Gengkuan at the time, and under the direction of former NCL Director General Chiang Fu-tsung, several knowledgeable people in Shanghai and Hong Kong formed the Rare Book Preservation Society to secretly acquire and preserve rare books. Within two years, they had risked their lives to purchase 4,864 titles (more than 48,000 volumes).

Due to the chaos of the time, 80 titles were selected to be shipped with escort to Hong Kong, then airmailed to Chongqing, and from there forwarded to Taiwan. In conjunction with the NCL's 80th anniversary this year, 80 titles from the

collection of rare books that these great men risked their lives for were selected for publishing this catalog.

### ■ *The Joy of Reading*



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In conjunction with World Book and Copyright Day, the NCL compiled a selection of modern poems with themes related to “books, reading, and libraries.” Bringing together 47 poems by 36 poets, the collection is the NCL's first poetry anthology since the 2012 publication, “*Spring Poetry Reading Day: 100 Possibilities in Modern Poetry*.”

### ■ *A New Paradigm for Globalized Knowledge and Library Development*



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The NCL invited the heads of national libraries around the world to attend and speak at an international conference organized by the NCL, aimed at broadening understanding of recent development trends in the international library and information science world. Prominent local scholars also introduced related developments in Taiwan and the NCL's innovations in services and collection utilization. The event helped to deepen academic and practical exchanges and heighten Taiwan's international visibility.

## LIS Seminars

### ■ *Emerging Trends in the iField*

Organizers: National Central Library, ASIS&T Taipei Chapter

Date: April 17, 2013

Venue: Briefing Room, National Central Library

### ■ *A New Paradigm for Globalized Knowledge and Library Development*

Organizer: National Central Library

Date: April 18-19, 2013

Venue: International Conference Hall, National Central Library

### ■ *On the Wings of Books: A Discussion on Reading Maps*

Organizer: Tainan University of Technology Library

Date: April 26, 2013

Venue: International Conference Hall, Design Building, Tainan University of Technology

### ■ *Open Access – from Green Road to Gold Road*

Organizer: Science & Technology Research and Information Center, National Applied Research Laboratories

Date: April 26, 2013

Venue: Conference Room, Technology Building, National Applied Research Laboratories

### ■ *2012 Annual Meeting of University and College Library Directors in Taiwan*

Organizer: TransWorld University

Date: May 2-3, 2013

Venue: International Conference Hall, TransWorld University

### ■ *The 11th Annual Library Leadership Institute*

Organizers: National Central Library, University of Hong Kong Libraries

Date: May 10-14, 2013

Venue: Howard Civil Service International

### ■ *A Forum on Trends in Library Modernization*

Organizer: National Kaohsiung University of Hospitality and Tourism Library and Information Center

Co-organizers: Kaohsiung Public Library, Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Company, Protek Taiwan Ltd.

Date: May 17, 2013

Venue: International Conference Hall, Third Academic Building, National Kaohsiung University of Hospitality and Tourism

### ■ *Conference on Library and Information Society*