

CCS News and Activities

■ *2014 Visiting Scholars' Dragon Boat Festival Feast*

The CCS held the Visiting Scholars' Dragon Boat Festival Feast for recipients of the CCS Research Grants for Visiting Foreign Scholars and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) Taiwan Fellowship on May 26. A total of 57 visiting scholars from 22 countries joined the feast with their families on the eve of the Dragon Boat Festival.



The NCL and MOFA colleagues with visiting scholars

The participating scholars were invited to give a performance during the banquet. Prof. LászlóKakai, from Hungary, led a recitation of the Hungarian poem “Kétvilág” exploring reality and dreams in life. Next, Ms. Tarryn Li-Min Chun, of the United States, transformed into the lead character of the well-known animated film “Frozen” and gave a powerful rendition of the movie’s theme song “Let it Go.”

Prof. Lisa Susana Rojas Benitez, from Paraguay, sang the folk song “Recuerdos de Ypacarai” from her home country. The program wrapped up with a comic dialogue by U.S. Prof. E. Perry Link and his son Samuel Link.



Prof. E. Perry Link performs a comic dialogue with his son Samuel Link.

News from Taiwan Libraries

■ *Open the Refrigerator and Grab a Book: Giving Life to Rural Reading*

The refrigerator door opens and inside is books. Hsin Kang Foundation of Culture & Education has recently teamed up with Eslite Bookstore for their “Down the Road Reading” program. In Hsin Kang township, there’s a breakfast shop, a photo studio, a beauty salon, and 13 other stores that have bookshelves in them.

Each location has 30 books of different genres so that the public can “read and return anywhere.” Later, the owner of A-Yi’s General Store was worried that the bookshelves would get ruined in the weather, so he started using old refrigerators instead.

■ *Let Books Travel: Taitung Mini-library and Reading Station*

The Taitung County Government set up a “Let Books Travel: Taitung Mini-library and Reading Station” on June 1 at the Taitung train station. Books were donated from several large publishers, amounting to 12,000 volumes. These are free for passengers to read while they are waiting for the train. The books can also be taken on the train