to see President Ing-wen Tsai (蔡英文), Premier Chuan Lin (林全). They were all very excited about the opportunity, with some scholars taking pictures or shaking hands and talking with these government officials.

■ Cultural Tour for Visiting Foreign Scholars: A Trip to Miaoli's Hua **Pottery Kiln**

To deepen visiting foreign scholars' understanding of local conditions and social customs in Taiwan, NCL arranged for recipients of the Research Grant for Foreign Scholars in Chinese Studies to travel to Miaoli on November 11th, 2016 to visit the Hua Pottery Kiln.



Experiencing ceramic making at the Hua Pottery

After arriving at the destination, the ceramics master taught everyone how to mold clay with one's hands. During lunch, they ate "cut the rice meal," a traditional food eaten during harvest season in earlier times by farmers.

After lunch, a guide explained the local animals and plants and their habits during the four seasons, firing pottery in a wood-fueled kiln, and the artistic meaning behind the design of the kiln's landscaping and courtyard.

Library and Information Science Seminars in Taiwan

■ Forum on Operations and Issues of Interlibrary Loan in the Age of a **Declining Birthrate**

Organizer:Interlibrary Cooperation Association Date:Dec. 30, 2016

Venue: Tamkang University Chueh Sheng Memorial Library

■ CONCERT 2016 E-resources and **Academic Consortium International** Conference

Organizer: Science & Technology Policy Research and Information Center, CONsortium on Core Electronic Resources in Taiwan (CONCERT)

Date:Dec. 30, 2016

Venue: National Central Library

■ Capriciousness: Library Innovation and Improvement Conference

Organizer: Feng Chia University Library

Date: Dec. 21, 2016

Venue: Feng Chia University Library

■ 2016 Library Affairs Management and Operations Development Conference: Environmental **Management and Smart Libraries**

Organizer: TransWorld University Library and Information Office

Date:Dec. 9, 2016

Venue: National Yunlin University of Science

and Technology Library

■ International Conference on Digital **Archives and University History**

Organizer: National Taiwan Normal University Library

Date: Nov. 29-30, 2016

Venue: National Taiwan Normal University Library

■ Conservation: Hearing the Carbon Sigh of Libraries, Symposium and Discussion on Operations of **University Librarians**

Organizer: Tunghai University Library, Library Association of the Republic of China (Taiwan)

Date: Nov. 16, 2016

Venue: Tunghai University Library

■ 2016 Digital Dissertation Consortium **Annual Meeting**

Organizer: National Chengchi University Date:Oct. 28, 2016 Venue: National Chengchi University

■ Taiwan Medical Library Association 2016 Seminar

Organizer: Taiwan Medical Library Association Date:Oct. 26 - Nov. 4, 2016 Venue: Kaohsiung Medical University

■ Reading Focus Development Conference

Organizer: National Central Library, Library of Luminary Buddhist Institute

Date:Oct. 15, 2016

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Venue: National Central Library

■ 2016 International Conference on Library Information and File **Innovation Research**

Organizer: National Chengchi University Graduate Institute of Library, Information and **Archival Studies**

Date:Oct. 13-14, 2016

Venue: National Chengchi University

■ Conference on Library Service Platforms in the Age of the Cloud

Organizer: National Chiao Tung University Library, Library Association of the Republic of China (Taiwan)

Date:Oct. 7, 2016

Venue: National Chiao Tung University Library

■ 2016 Ei Compendex International Conference

Organizer: Ministry of Science and Technology Engineering and Technology Promotion Center, National Taiwan University of Science and Technology Library

Date:Oct. 5-6, 2016

Venue: National Taiwan University of Science and Technology, National Cheng Kung University

■ University Alliance and Libraries: A **Sharing of Practice**

Organizer: Soochow University Library, Library Association of the Republic of China (Taiwan) Date:Oct. 4, 2016

Venue: Soochow University Library

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