was a traditional Taiwanese Banzhuo (辦桌) style. Throughout the afternoon, the visiting scholars introduced themselves to the group, a New Year's drawing was held, and scholars shared their artistic talents. And while the merry festivities ended, it was a wonderful beginning to these scholars' time in Taiwan.

Library and Information Science Seminars in Taiwan

### **■ TMLA 2017 Conference**

Organizer: Taiwan Medical Library Association (TMLA) and National Taiwan

University Medical Library Date: March 30-31, 2017

Venue: National Taiwan University Medical

Library

■ Evolving Library Workflow and Information Services

Organizer: National Chenchi University Library, Ex Libris Group, FlySheet Technologies, International Federation Information Integration

Date: March 27, 2017

Venue: Social Sciences Information Center,

National Chenchi University

■ The 2nd Membership Session of the 13th Membership of the Interlibrary Cooperation Association

Organizer: Interlibrary Cooperation Association and Luking Library Co-organizer: Providence University

Date: March 24, 2017

Venue: Providence University

■ The 25th Taipei International Book Exhibition: Library Forum 2017— New Horizons of Reading Co-created by Publishers and Libraries

Organizer: National Central Library and

Taipei Book Fair Foundation

Date: February 10, 2017

Venue: Taipei World Trade Center Exhibition

Hall

■ Flipping Information and Literacy Innovation Conference

Organizer: Chinese Information Literacy

Association

Co-organizer: Feng Chia University Library

Date: January 13, 2017

Venue: Feng Chia University Library

### **News from Taiwan Libraries**

■ A Mongolian Yurt Becomes a Mobile Library

Tsai-lin Lin (林采霖), a Mongolian now married to a Taiwanese, has collected 300 Mongolian language children's books. With the Taiwanese government's support, she has had a Mongolian yurt transported to Taiwan to make into a library. In fact, the first Mongolian school was housed in a yurt. At the present, she sends books to young

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readers through the mail, but in future plans to erect the yurt in parks or inside community buildings.

# ■ Joint Library Card for Keelung and New Taipei City

Keelung and New Taipei City have worked together to combine the two cities' library cards. From March 24, residents of the two cities can borrow books from either city with a single card. It is estimated this will benefit up to 2 million people. Those who already possess a card must go to the city library website to register.

### ■ National Taitung University Library: One of the World's Most Beautiful Libraries

National Taitung University Library looks

like a pyramid-shaped hill. It is the first of architizer.com's 8 Unique National Libraries Across the World. There are steps on the roof of the building enabling visitors to "climb the mountain" and walk on the pitched roof, from which the Central Mountains can be seen to the west and Pacific Ocean to the east.

# ■ Taichung Public Library Partners with Convenience Stores

Taichung Public Library's tour bus is working with convenience stores to provide lending services, storytelling, and little store manager activities. The project aims to actively bring library resources to adults and children living in areas where they are lacking. Then, this would also help to make both equality of access to culture and the universal right to read.



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