



Vice Minister of Education Chou Tsan-teh (left) presents certificates of appreciation to donor Ou Shu-fang (right), the chairman of Universal Eye Doctor. (Photo by Wen-ying Yen)

■ *NCL Attends PNC Annual Meeting*

The Pacific Neighborhood Consortium (PNC) held its 2006 annual meeting from August 16 to 18 at the Hoam Faculty House of Seoul National University in Korea. The meeting was jointly held by PNC and Seoul National University Library with support from the Pacific Rim Digital Library Alliance and Electronic Cultural Atlas Initiative. Over 200 scholars and experts attended the meeting from the U.S., Australia, Canada, Russia, Taiwan, Japan, Korea, Thailand, China, Hong Kong and other Pacific Rim countries and areas.

Mr. Chuang Chien-kuo, head of the Materials Division at the Center for Chinese Studies (CCS), represented the NCL at the meeting and delivered a paper on, "The Digital Archives and Services of Contemporary Literary Materials in Taiwan." The paper looked at the progress Taiwan has made over the past decade in digitizing literary and historical works and introduced new concepts in digital archive services.

Topics addressed during the three-day meeting included: Digital Preservation, Exemplary Cultural Atlases, e-Science Applications, Digital Museums, Cultural Atlas Infrastructure, GIS-Map Collections, Humanities GIS: Toward a New Paradigm, GIS-2, the Challenge of Digital Archives and Collections, Korean Culture, e-Publishing, Toward an e-Culture Platform, Humanities e-Science and GRID Technologies, and Digitization Projects. The full text of papers delivered at the meeting can be downloaded from the meeting website at: [http://library.snu.ac.kr/ PRDLA/program.Jsp](http://library.snu.ac.kr/PRDLA/program.Jsp). Project achievement demonstrations and a poster area were also arranged during the meeting.

PNC was founded by former University of California, Berkeley chancellor Chang-lin Tian and Prof. Curtis Hardyck. At the end of 1997, the consortium headquarters was relocated from Berkeley to Academia Sinica. Academia Sinica's Computing Centre is in charge of arrangement of the consortium's annual meeting and other administrative affairs. (Chinese text by Chuang Chien-kuo)



Mr. Chuang Chien-kuo(center), head of the Materials Division at the Center for Chinese Studies visited Seoul National University Library. (Photo provided by Chuang Chien-kuo)