Archival Studies at National Chengchi University; Prof. Chen Hsin-yuan of the Department of Literature at Fo Guang University; Mr. Han Kuo-tung, editor of the culture and education section at the China Times; Mr. Feng Teh-ping, editor of Wen-Hsun magazine; Ms. Chou Hui-chu, chief editor of the readers' section of the Merit Times, and columnist Mr. Wang Hsiu.

Proposals presented at the seminar included enhancing book review and bibliography reports and focusing on special reporting in these areas as a distinguishing trait of the magazine. It was also suggested that special bibliographies based on publishing industry trends be included in the magazine and that a committee composed of experts from various fields be formed to select recommended books; and that proletariat positions, originality of opinion and specialization be considered in book reviews. It was further proposed that every year the magazine include at least four special research reports, and that in addition to introducing new books the magazine could recommend outstanding publications for joint promotion with private groups, such as the National Teachers' Association of the ROC.



Library, reader and book review meeting (Photo by Pinery S. Wu)

■ Web Archives and Services Lecture

The NCL hosted a lecture on "Web Archives and Services" on February 5, 2007. The keynote speakers were Dr. Chen Chao-chen of the Graduate Institute of Library & Information Studies at National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU) and Mr. Chen Ya-ning of the Computing Centre, Academia Sinica. They addressed topics related to the hot issue of web archives. In conjunction with the launch of the "Humanities Web Archive Project" this year, the lectures looked at the experience of other countries in web archiving. NTNU's Dr. Chen introduced Australia's Pandora Web Archive project, including project progress, objectives, history, cooperative organizations, archiving strategies, policies and guidelines, web cataloging, system architecture, and work flow. Academic Sinica's Mr. Chen spoke on the "Development Status of Web Archiving, introducing such related issues as terminology, current status, principles, responsibility, selection, collecting, description, rights management, and bit-level preservation.

Web archiving has become a central topic in digital archiving in recent years. The NCL has also been exerting considerable effort in the archiving of national publications. In addition to collecting domestically published books, periodicals and audiovisual resources, the library is formulating strategies for archiving web resources, with an initial emphasis on humanities-related resources. The library aims to archive the information of 300 websites this year. (Chinese text by Tsai Pei-ling)

■ World Book Day Activities

Taiwan celebrated UN-established World Book