

parents and readers.

During the selection process, a panel of 20 experts and scholars evaluates books in the four categories of "narrative literature," "non-narrative literature," "knowledge-building books," and "illustrated books and children's reading material."

In 2006, the selection panel selected 109 books from a total of 420 titles submitted by 76 publishers. Readers can view the entire list (in Chinese) by visiting the TML website (www.tnml.tn.edu.tw) and clicking on the "2006 Recommended Books" link.

■ *Model Community Library Opens in Kaohsiung*

The Kaohsiung Public Library (KPL) and Chen Yan Construction Group opened a demonstration community library on March 29, 2007. The new library is part of efforts by Kaohsiung City to promote interest in reading.

The opening ceremony was jointly presided by Kaohsiung City Bureau of Cultural Affairs director Wang Chih-cheng, KPL director Shih Chun-fu and Chen Yan Construction vice president Yang Pin-hui. The demonstration library pioneers new ground by showing that developers are willing to upgrade the cultural environment of communities when promoting construction projects. The KPL donated 200 books for the library collection and hopes that more communities will take initiative to establish libraries to encourage reading.

The demonstration library currently has a collection of about 1,000 books, with titles for women and children accounting for the majority. It was established as part of Chen Yan's design for a new housing community. Book purchasing, automation systems and volunteer staff were arranged with support from the KPL.

Seminars

■ *Yes! I Share! Seminar*

Sponsor: Taipei Public Library

Date: April 24, 2007

Place: Taipei Public Library

■ *2007 E-learning Forum*

Sponsors: Chinese Information Literacy Association;

Feng Chia University; Taipei University; City

University of Hong Kong; Blackboard

Date: April 26 - 27, 2007

Place: Taipei International Convention Center

■ *Seminar on the Future of Academic Libraries Librarians*

Sponsor: American Cultural Center

Date: May 1, 2007

Place: National Taiwan University Library

■ *Pictures of the New Floating World: Seminar on Modern Newspapers and Periodicals*

Sponsor: Department of Chinese Language and Literature, National Chi Nan University

Date: May 5, 2007

Place: National Chi Nan University

■ *Quotation Index Database Seminar*

Organizers: Library Association of China; National Central Library; Cheng Kung University Library

Date: May 17 - 18, 2007

Place: Cheng Kung University Library; National Central Library

■ *Taiwan Library Operations and Educational History Seminar*

Sponsor: Graduate Institute of Library, Information