

Document Delivery System (NDDS).

■ ***NCL to Make Digital Resources Freely Available to the Public***

In 2010, NCL will make digital resources under the READncl Service System (<http://www.read.com.tw>) fully available to the public free of charge through the library website. Among the resources included will be the "Index to Chinese Periodical Literature," "NCL Gazette Online" and "Contemporary Taiwan Writers Database."

The READncl system is currently a fee-based service, and users can only view scanned materials online or request printed copies by post. The change in usage basis from 2010 is aimed at improving access to academic resources. In addition to free online browsing, users will be able to print resources with copyright authorization. Copyrighted materials will be made accessible from the library within an allowable scope, and copyright-expired academic documents will gradually be made available. Readers can also browse or print resources through the interlibrary cooperation system or apply for NCL document delivery services through the Nationwide Document Delivery Service (NDDS).

NCL International Exchange Events

April 15: Caryn Crump leads a five-person group study exchange visit from Rotary International District 7850 (Canada and Eastern United States) to the NCL, accompanied by 40 other people, including Rotary Southern Banqiao District President Chang Yifeng.



Caryn Crump (fourth from left) and other members of Rotary International District 7850. (Photo by Pinery S.Wu)

May 18: Dr. Richard W. Meyer, retired head librarian at the Georgia Institute of Technology Library, presents a lecture on "The Convergence Transformation of Library."



Dr. Richard W. Meyer (front left) with NCL Director-general Karl Min Ku (front right). (Photo by Pinery S.Wu)

May 26: Michael Meng of the University of Washington participates in a "Library East-West Exchange Forum" about the Chinese Collection of the East Asia Library at the U.W and the results of the NCL's digitization work.



Michael Meng (right) with NCL Director-general Karl Min Ku (left). (Photo by Pinery S.Wu)

June 12: A group of 28 mainland Chinese specialists visits the NCL, including Nanjing University Library Vice Director and Department of Information Management professor Bo Shao, Tsinghua University Library Vice Director Yang Yi, and Northeast Normal University Library Vice Director Liu Fangguo.

June 17: Bùi Xuân Dúc and Dúống Thi Hoàng Thú, director and vice director, respectively, of the General Sciences Library of Ho Chi Minh City Vietnam, visits the NCL.