established youth reading club and monthly reading guide. It has also planned several book fairs on a number of themes, such as "Baseball Book Fair," "Youth Book Fair" and many other activities which are well appreciated by the young readers.



Director General Tseng (3rd left) and the "Project for the Resource Integration and Development of Public Libraries" Review Committee members at the Eastern Resource Center

On September 12, the Miaoli District Resource Center located in the Public Library of Miaoli County was inaugurated. Miaoli County magistrate, the Director of Education Bureau, Director General Tseng and many distinguished guests attended the opening ceremony offering their congratulations.

Miaoli District Resource Center is located on the 4th floor of Miaoli County Municipal Library. Creative cultural collection is its particular characteristic. Currently it has approximately more than 9,000 volumes in its collections. The establishment of the Center will not only provide the people of Miaoli County a rich collection of resources and high-quality reading service, it will also be, in cooperation with other Centers provide interlibrary and inter-regional cooperation services.



Opening ceremony group photo with guests and the performance team

## NCL Together with Professor Lilian Chao Cultural and Educational Foundation Organize a Lecture Series on "Globalization and Progressive Worldview"

Five experts and scholars were invited to treat subjects on urban culture, economy, philosophy, science and technology, social development. From these point of view, they will explore the impact of globalization on human society and the progress it brings. Hopefully, this will broaden the public's horizons of global development. The five lectures will take place in August to September. The different themes will be on globalization, prices of goods, wages and income distribution; the future of globalization and philosophy; globalization and technology justice; globalization and social development.



A lecture on Globalization and City Culture

## ■ NCL Attends the University Fair to Promote the Functions of Digital System

For the first time this year, the NCL participated in the University Fair to promote the functions of "NCL Theses and dissertations in Taiwan" in view of increasing college students' understanding of the system. 16 outstanding universities with highest percentage of electronic text deposit rates and authorization rates were invited to the NCL to give briefings. Any college freshman who comes to visit the NCL booth will know more about the research direction of many universities and enrollment information, Hopefully, students may be helped in the choice of their desired course in the future. Every briefing attracted many students and parents as well. Director General Tseng came to the site to thank the universities and participants. She also showed how

this system is the best study tool for students during their studies and in doing research work, Through this activity, students can establish "Academic theses public authorization," promote the concept of "Put an End to Plagiarism" in order to obtain for more theses authorization in the future



The NCL booth attracts many students and parents.

## ■ NCL Receives Dr. Agnes C. Lee's Donated Paintings

On July 22, Dr. Shiang-yu Lee, a compatriot living in America and his sister, Ms. Shiang-rung Lee, visited Director General Tseng to donate paintings by her wife, Dr. Agnes C. Lee entitled "Lin Jiang Xian Fairies by the River" and a book authored by his father Paihung Lee on "A Life at the Edge of History."

Director General Tseng remarked that in recent years the NCL has been actively soliciting manuscripts, calligraphy, drawings, watercolors, prints, paintings and other art works by famous people and celebrities. Dr. Agnes C. Lee is a well-known painter whose works include Chinese painting, printmaking and encaustic paintings; Dr. Shiang-yu Lee's father has also served during the war as former President Generalissimo Kai-shek Chiang National Military Commission Chairman Attendants Office and has organized a team to take care of the presidential palace information data collection room. The gift offer of these valuable collections of paintings and books are of historical significance, Dr. Agnes C. Lee also agreed that NCL keeps the collection and does digitization of the works and paintings. It is indeed a selfless sharing of personal work.



Director General Tseng receives a painting donated by Dr. Shiang-yu Lee (2nd right) and his sister (2nd right).

## ■ NCL Receives Academician Wan-li Qu's Manuscripts

On July 30, Professor Hong-i Wu from the Department of Chinese Literature of Taiwan National University, graciously donated his manuscripts collection of Academician Wan-li Qu to the NCL.

Academician Wan-li Qu (1907-1979) is known as "The Taiwan pioneer in the Study of Confucian Classics." He has remarkable achievements and farreaching influence in the study of the Confucian Classics, ancient history, oracle bone script, catalog edition and other literature. He was the NCL Director General from 1966 to 1968, head of Department of Chinese Literature, National Taiwan University, director of Academia Sinica's Institute of History and Philosophy and an Academician of Academia Sinica.

Director General Tseng stressed the significance and contributions of Wan-li Qu during his tenure as NCL Director General. He tried to acquire resources, enriched the Chinese Studies Section with a large number of related books and materials. At the same time, he initiated two significant tasks: one, collecting related materials for foreign sinology scholars; two, identifying the Chinese ancient books for foreign libraries. These outstanding contributions enable the NCL to become a well-known Chinese Studies Research Center worldwide.

The donation of these manuscripts to the NCL is of great historical significance for the NCL collection. Academician Qu dedicated his whole life to library development and academic research. Professor Wu's donation of the diary of Academician Qu is not only an important NCL collection but it has also a historical significance and value. This will enable young scholars to understand Academician Qu, study his works and