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

learn from him to enhance the quintessence of his research and inherit his academic stature.



Director General Tseng receives the manuscripts collection donated by Professor Hong-i Wu.

## NCL Organizes the 2015 International Workshop for Professional Librarians

Since the year 2007, every two years, the NCL organizes the "International Workshop for Professional Librarians" to promote exchanges with global East Asian Libraries and Chinese Studies research institutions,. Librarians from different countries were invited to come to Taiwan. This year, in a particular manner, the workshop unites "Cross-Strait Conference on Classification and Preservation of ancient Chinese books" as well. Hence the theme of the workshop is set as "From Ancient Times to the Present: Preservation of Ancient Chinese Books and Development of Contemporary Chinese Digital Resources." The workshop was held at the NCL from August 4-9.



Director General Tseng with the participants of 2015 International Workshop for Professional Librarians at the Cross-Strait Conference on Classification and Preservation of Ancient Chinese Books.

This year sees an enthusiastic response from various sectors. Even before registration was open, there were many inquiries from librarians. Originally, the yearly quota was set to 30 but 52 registered, a

substantial increase of 1.7 times. Although some of them strongly regretted not being able to come due to some reason, eventually, 40 participants from 10 countries/ regions came making a record high of participation.

This year some participants who already joined the previous workshops registered again. For the first time, there are librarians from the European region such as Leiden University Library, the Netherlands and the Bavarian State Library, Munich, Germany. These two libraries also have cooperation agreement with the NCL in setting up the TRCCS. Both are considered the main hub in Chinese Studies in Europe.

Moreover, Deputy Director Thomas Tabery of the Oriental and Asia Department, Bavarian State Library is one of the lecturers. He spoke on the situation of Chinese Collections in German Libraries.

It seems obvious that the efforts of the NCL to promote Chinese Studies overseas are positively confirmed thereby successfully expanding its influence and visibility in Europe as well as around the world.



Director General Tseng with the participants of 2015 International Workshop for Professional Librarians.

## ■ NCL, NLC and Nanjing Library Jointly Organize the 2nd Xuanlan Forum

"Xuanlan tang" was the name of a repository for ancient books in the possession of private individuals during the War of Resistance. To increase the exchange and cooperation between NCL and Nanjing Library, beginning in 2014 a co-exhibition of rare books in both libraries and an accompanying forum have been held. This forum was named the Xuanlan Forum to reflect the common historical heritage shared by both libraries. This year the 2nd Xuanlan Forum was jointly organized by NCL, NLC, and Nanjing Library and held at the Fo Guang Shan Buddha Memorial Center, Kaohisung, Taiwan.