Yonghe Municipal Library, won an NT\$100,000 prize; the 20 second-place libraries, including Hsinchu County 报 Hukou Township Library, got an NT\$50,000 award; and the 23 third-place libraries, including Shenkeng Township Library in Taipei County, came home with NT\$30,000. While the winners were not all necessarily large libraries, they earned praise for their ability to make the most out of limited human resources. Vice Minister of Education Lu Mu-lin commended the winning libraries for their hard work. He also promised to help public libraries overcome staff shortages and to continue developing through student volunteer programs in partnership with local universities.

Events

National Taichung Library Holds Public Library Audio-Visual Education Seminar

Under direction of the Cabinet-level Council for Cultural Affairs, National Taichung Library organized two "Taiwan Public Library Audio-Visual Education Seminars" from December 15 to 23, 2003. The workshops were attended by about 80 administrators of county and city cultural bureaus (centers) and city and township public libraries. The seminar aimed to promote greater emphasis on spatial planning and resource management of library AV areas; improve the professional knowledge of AV service personnel; enhance understanding of AV equipment operation and the arrangement of art appreciation and research activities; improve the quality of AV services; create a comfortable and quiet environment for enjoying AV resources; and encourage library use by the public. Discussion topics during the seminar included: Spatial Planning and Resource Management of Library AV Rooms, Introduction to AV Terminology and Equipment, Microphone Principles and Utilization, Sound Control Regulations and Practical Issues, AV

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System Planning and Design Issues, and Practical Methods for Organizing Movie Research Activities.

CALISE Annual Meeting and Seminar

The Chinese Association of Library and Information Science Education (CALISE), National Central Library, and Library and Information Science Institute at National Chung Hsing University (NCHU) jointly held the "2003 Annual Meeting of the CALISE & Library and Information Science Professional Training Seminar" from December 19 to 20, 2003 at NCHU. The event was attended by 150 people, including library and information science scholars and experts, library directors and executives of information service companies, personnel of university, public, special and school libraries, faculty of library and information science departments, and CALISE members.

The seminar was divided into four sessions:

Session 1: Professional Ability of Library and Information Service Personnel Topic: Enhancing the Professional Ability of Library and Information Personnel in the Digital Age

Topic: Enhancing the Professional Ability of Library Personnel: Case Studies Topic: Fostering New Perspectives on Library Information Services: Library Community Building

Topic: Informal Discussion on Librarian Self-improvement Session 2: Study and Application of Professional Knowledge by Students of Library and Information Science

Topic: The KALIPER Report and the Study and Application of Professional Knowledge by Students of Library and Information Science

Topic: Planning of Professional Knowledge Curricula for Graduate Students of Library and Information Science

Topic: Views on Professional Ability of Library and Information Service