county and city libraries, publishers, community groups, foundations, and community leaders took part in the activity, which was supervised and planned by the Cabinet-level Council for Cultural Affairs.

■ Taoyuan Picks a County Book

The Taoyuan County Government joined hands with the Taiwan Literary Development Foundation and Wen Shun magazine to choose "Taoyuan's book" for 2005 through a public vote. In 2003, the county held the first national "One Book for One City" activity, during which county residents selected the Chinese translations of The Wheel of Life (Commonwealth Publishing) as a recommended book for all county residents. The 2004 selection was the translation of The Lovely Bones (Mentor Books). This year, the event sponsor will prepare a list of 195 books as a reference list for selection of one or two titles by the heads of primary school, middle schools, and universities. Based on the principals' recommendations and an initial selection committee, the list will be further pared down to 30 volumes for submission for a public vote. Votes can be mailed in or submitted online via the county government website (http://www.tyccc.gov.tw). Anyone can cast a vote, even if they are not Taoyuan residents. The top-10 choices in the first voting round will be submitted for a final vote, from which one book will emerge as the "2005 Book of Taoyuan County."

The winning book will be announced on July 16 during the opening ceremony for the "Fourth

Taoyuan National Book Exhibition." A seminar will also be held to provide a forum for writers and scholars to discuss and provide guidance on the winning book. There will also be an essay writing contest for readers to describe their feelings about the work.

Seminars

■ Conference on Information Organization & Archive Technology

A conference on information organization and archive technology in the new century was jointly held by Shih Hsin University Library, National Chengchi University (NCU) Library, and the Training & Promotion Division under the National Digital Archives Program from May 25 to 26 at NCU Library.

The seminar addressed three major topics concerning information organization and related technology applications in the new era:

- Development of information organization: From traditional classification, cataloging and technological services to information organization
- Added-value information: From bibliography to full-text resources and from collections to digital
- Information integration and application: From inter-library cooperation and resource sharing to knowledge management

Information organization has always been a core discipline in library and information sciences. Today, this discipline has grown to encompass various types and fields of application, including the digital collections of museums and archives.