

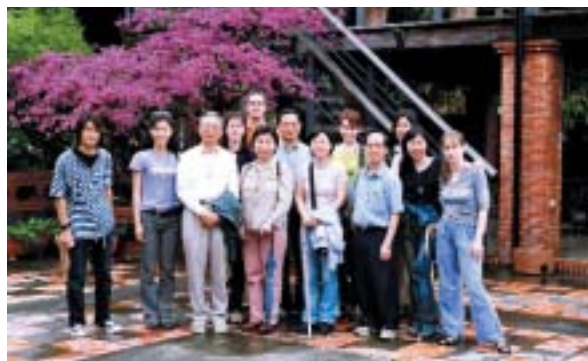
“Genealogy Field Survey Culture and History Workshop” was held in the courtyard of the Penghu Reclamation Hall on July 22. Local cultural and history workers and genealogical editors were invited to the event to exchange experience and tools for genealogical editing work. The Bureau of Culture also invited county residents to submit genealogical materials in order to compile a more complete genealogical record for the county.

CCS News and Activities

■ 2005 Cultural Field Trip for CCS Visiting Scholars

On May 13, the Center for Chinese Studies (CCS) organized a cultural field trip to Sanyi and the Hwataoyao Botanical Garden, Ceramic Studio, and Wood Kilns. The trip was joined by 14 people, including visiting scholars and staff at the center.

The first stop was the Sanyi Woodcarving Museum, where the group enjoyed the beauty of local woodcarving art. The visitors then continued on to Hwataoyao at base of Mt. Huotan in Yuanli, where took in the beauty of Taiwanese-style gardens, natural ecology, and cultural attractions. The group was accompanied by a professional guide who illuminated points of interest on the plants, art, and historical events of the area. Tour participants were also invited to try their hand at pottery making. After visiting Hwataoyao, the group feasted on a sumptuous Hakka-style dinner, bringing to a close a fun and highly educational tour through Chinese culture! (Chinese text by Caesar Tsai)



CCS visiting scholars pose for a group picture at Hwataoyao
(Photo by Caesar Tsai)



CCS visiting scholars try their hand at pottery making
(Photo by Caesar Tsai)

■ CCS Seminar on Tang Dynasty Officials

On May 24, the Center for Chinese Studies (CCS) held a seminar on “Tang Dynasty Official Studies: New Perspectives, New Resources, and New Questions” at the NCL.

The seminar was hosted by CCS visiting scholar, Dr. Lai Swee Fo, a former professor of Tang history at Princeton University and currently director and research fellow at the Center for Tang Studies in Johor Bahru, Malaysia. Dr. Lai recently published a book on low-level officials during the Tang period, an area that scholars have largely