

Tamkang Will Hold a Conference on the Study of Tamsui County

A Conference called “The 2001 Symposium on the Tamsui Study: History, Environment and Humanity” is scheduled to be held at the International Conference Room, Chueh-sheng Memorial Hall and R.312 Chung-ling Chemistry Hall between December 7 and 8. Department of History, TKU, will sponsor this event. They have invited two keynote speakers to elaborate on the featured subject. For instance, Mr. Chang Yen-hsien, Director, Academia Historica, R.O.C., will give a talk on “The Coordination between Compilation of National History and the Related Cultural/Historical Work in Local Society”. Mr. Wu Mi-cha, Vice Chairman, Council for Cultural Affairs, Executive Yuan, will speak about “How to Identify Local History in Historical Studies”.

According to Dr. Lin Cheng-jung, Associate Professor of the History Department, the major theme of the conference will be focused upon a historical study within the context of literature, sightseeing, folklore culture, commerce, natural ecology and historical site, etc. It is hoped that by dint of such a vision an unseen Tamsui will emerge out of the concerted efforts of the historians. It also has a purpose to arouse the research interest of the students because, once a student has got a glimpse of the historical background of Tamsui, he/she might develop more interest in the spatial change of the town as well as its final evolving into a community with rich local color of humanities.

Prof. Liou Tseng-chyuan, Chair, the History Department, indicated that aside from Dr. Fu Hsi-jen, Dean, Office of Academic Affairs, Prof. Wang Shih-hung, Department of Water Resources & Environmental Engineering, Dr. Feng Wen-hsin, Lecturer, Department of Educational Technology and Dr. Chuang Chi-fa, Fellow, National Palace Museum, they have also invited Dr. Sylvie Pasquet from CNIS, France, and Prof. Fang Pao-chuan and Prof. Huang

Kuo-sheng, Fukian Teacher' s University to attend the conference. The topics they' ll discuss with their insight include: "A Study of the Sino-French War on Tamsui from the French Historical Data" , "A Study of the Origin of the Tamsui Folklore Culture" and "A Study of the Trade Relationship between Tamsui and Fuchow in Ching Dynasty" .

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