

ALUMNI CLUB OF TAIWAN

Membership: About 500

Our mission: To enhance friendships among Ohio State alumni in Taiwan and the connection between these alumni and their alma mater.

Did you know?

- There are an estimated 2,000 Ohio State alumni in Taiwan.
- **The club members sing Carmen Ohio, Ohio State's oldest school song, when they have a reunion**

What we do

- **Introduce Ohio State to those who are interested in.**
- Network with students and alumni seeking jobs in Taiwan or the U.S.
- Host representatives from Ohio State as well as other Ohio dignitaries visiting Taiwan.
- **Group up to play golf, travel, etc.**
- Celebrate our Ohio State connections at parties, receptions, and other events throughout the year.

About the *Yuan*

Most Taiwanese value the *Yuan*, as it's pronounced in Mandarin Chinese or Taiwanese dialect. The Yuan can be considered as the circumstances or luck by which people are brought together. For example, Taiwanese may say, "As decreed by Yuan, he will travel a long way to meet you; otherwise, you might have failed to know him, although he is in front of you."

Most Ohio State alumni originally from Taiwan met each other in Columbus to start their Yuan and continue their Yuan after they are back in Taiwan. Our club serves as a platform for these alumni to keep the Yuan going.

In Taiwan, the pronunciation of "Yuan" is the same as the pronunciation of "circle." Based upon the Yuan started at Ohio State and continued in Taiwan, the Taiwan club hopes to expand its circle to embrace more alumni and meaningful activities.

Notable alumni

- *Vincent C. Siew '99 DRH*, vice president, R.O.C. **(Taiwan)**
- *Yuan-tseh Lee '02 DRH*, President of Academia Sinica, 1994-2006
- *Paul Chiu '71 MA, '78 PHD*, vice premier, R.O.C.
- *Jeï-Cheng Cheng '75 MA, '78 PHD*, minister of education, R.O.C

- *Joseph Wu '89 PHD*, director general of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the U.S., 2007–8
- Four alumni are university presidents in Taiwan:
 - Lung-Sheng Lee '91 PHD*, National United University
 - Tsung-po Lee '93 MA*, National Taichung Institute of Technology
 - Da-Yung Wang '86 MS, '87 PHD*, Mingdao University
 - Min-Teh Yu '86 MA, 91 PHD*, Providence University

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Dr. Paul Chiu, Mrs. Williams, Dr. Yuan-tseh Lee, Dr. James Williams, Ms. Kathy Chase, Dr. Lung-Sheng Lee and Dr. Jyan-Syung Tsai, at Academia Sinica, on January 15, 2003.