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sure due to the SARS outbreak. The library marked its reopening with a Scandinavian film festival.

### **Organizer to put zest into TIBE 2004**

Cite Publishing Ltd. on June 24 announced its initial vision for the 2004 Taipei International Book Exhibition (TIBE). The company plans to liven up the annual exhibition next year in the fashion of the Ilan International Children's Folklore and Folkgame Festival and the Pingtung Blue Fin Tuna Festival. The 2004 show will feature broader aisles and more exhibition stalls than the 2003 event, as well as a two-day package tour for exhibition visitors.

## Center for Chinese Studies News

### **Visiting Scholars:**

- ◆ Spanish scholar Percival Santos on Jan. 7 arrived in Taiwan to conduct a nine-month study on "Globalized Mass Media and Religious Faith in Matsu". Mr. Santos is a Ph.D. candidate at the London School of Economics.
- ◆ U.K. scholar Olivia Milburn, a Ph.D. candidate at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, on Jan. 9 began a three-month study on well-known figures of the Eastern Chou period.
- ◆ Latvian scholar Kaepars Eihmanis, of the University of Latvia, arrived in Taiwan on Feb. 8 for a six-month study of the influence of modern neo-Confucianism on Chinese philosophy.
- ◆ Japanese scholar Tatsuro Arabu, an assistant professor of the University of Tokushima, arrived in Taiwan on Feb. 15 to conduct a three-month study on

changes in northeast immigration policy during the mid to late Ching period.

- ◆ U.S. scholar Peter Ditmanson, an assistant professor of history at Colby University, arrived in Taiwan on March 3, for three months of study on the topic of Taoist studies in the early Ming period and Fang hsiao-ju
- ◆ Israeli scholar Sophia Katz, a Ph.D. candidate at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, arrived in Taiwan on March 7 to conduct a six-month study on the topic Confucian philosophy and poetry in the 11th to 15th centuries.

### **Academic Exchange:**

- ◆ Fr. Nicholas Koss, dean of the College of Foreign Languages at Fu Jen Catholic University, and Fr. Zbigniew Wesolowski of the Zbigniew Wesolowski of the Monumenta Serica Sinological Research Center, met with staff of the CCS on Jan. 16 to discuss academic cooperation and exchange.
- ◆ On March 4, the Interchange Association (Japan), Taipei Office invited the "Japanese Youth Mission" to visit the CCS. The group, which was joined by 20 Chinese studies teachers and students from Japanese universities, showed a strong interest in the center's information compilation and visiting scholar scholarship programs.
- ◆ A group of 20 mainland scholars specializing in Confucian and Mencius studies visited the CCS on March 27. The group consisted of professors from Beijing University and Qinghua University, as well as high-ranking officials of Confucian study institutes. The group was headed by Prof. Yuan Shouqi.
- ◆ Prof. Chiu Tung-fang of Stanford University visited the CCS on March 28 to discuss future cooperation and exchange views.

