Members of the Chinese delegation visited last year to tour the science facilities here.

Chinese students to arrive soon

By Mike Rijkin and Thomas Jones

Two Chinese scientists will arrive at UMBC in the next eight months from universities in the People's Republic of China.

The visit of the two scientists is the result of last year's visit to this campus by a delegation of Chinese botanists. Dr. Shain-Dow Kung, associate professor of biological sciences, is currently arranging the final details of the trip.

Yu-Shun Shain­-Shu, whose field is chloroplast genetics, will arrive in December. Lee-Jen Li, who is working with enzyme research, will arrive six months later. Both scientists are currently at the Shanghai Institute of Plant Physiology, Academia Sinica.

These men are the first scientists from the People's Republic to study at UMBC. Dr. Kung would also like to see a UMBC student visit or study in China.

Both scientists graduated from Fu-Tom University in the early sixties. Neither of the scientists have doctorate degrees because graduate degrees are not given in China, due to the communist ethos of equality. Dr. Kung says that Chinese may get by in conversation with his limited English, but Li does not speak English well.

According to Kung, Li should be here approximately one year, and Shui will pursue his doctorate degree. Kung hopes that the interaction with other UMBC students of similar cultural backgrounds will prove to be an asset to the visiting scientists' acclimation to a foreign culture.

Arnold named acting librarian

By Mary E. Petersen

Joseph Arnold, associate professor of history, is currently serving as acting library director until the newly formed search committee chooses a permanent director.

Arnold replaces Antonia Raimo, who is currently in charge of collections development for the library. Last spring, library staff accused Raimo of alleged sexual harassment and mismanagement of personnel.

J. Leeds Barroll, professor of English, will serve as chairperson of the search committee to find a new library director. The committee will also include High Graham, professor of history, and Jonathan Peters, associate professor of Afro-American studies, and Brian Bradley, associate professor of biology.

The committee will use September 18 to begin the process of screening applicants. Already a large number of qualifications have been conferred for the position, according to Walter Jones, vice-chancellor of academic affairs.

The Chem-Phys and Fine Arts Buildings had no water Wednesday, due to a break in the water main.

Water line breaks

By Michael Reed

The Chemistry-Physics and Fine Arts buildings were without water early Wednesday morning due to a water line break. Guy Chisholm, director of the Physical Plant, said he believed Wednesday's vote would end future efforts in Congress to restrictive registration for the draft. Several of the candidates have been interviewed, the search committee will make its recommendations to the Chancellor, John Dorsey, who will make the final decision. University President Joe Toll, however, must approve the decision before it becomes final.

All of the interviews will be held in the Special Collections room of the Library. The candidates will meet with faculty and staff from 1-2 p.m. and with students from 3-5 p.m.