STUDENT VISAS
U.S. eases measures affecting int'l
students

Despite the relaxed process, UI officials are not convinced international
scholars will renew their interest in attending U.S. schools.

BY CLARE PIERSON

The U.S. Department of State recently relaxed visa-issuance
demands and sped up the appli-
cation process for international
students and faculty members. A
recent move to possibly require
staff workers, but they are con-
vinced the system is not enough to reassure foreign exchange stu-
dents of strict enforcement.

The move is a first step toward
shortening and things are more consistent now," said Scott King, the
director of the UI Office of Inter-
national Students and Scholars.

"I don't think the new policy will change
the system at all," he said. The State Department's
recent Visa Martin policy allows
international students to stay in the
U.S. for four months of their scholastic year, regardless of
any restrictions the student may face in
their home country. Other
survivors slipped their faces in privé if they set
nord to the dead, who were wrapped in blankets in actress
typical images or unrecognizable.

"I hope the red cross will work in the
village of Helwan and St. George, which
struck a total 100 miles from Iran, of a devastat-
ing earthquake in December 2003 that killed 20,000 people
and leveled the historic city.

At dusk, temperatures fell, rain turned to snow in parts of the mountainous
region, and survivors huddled around fires to keep warm, mourning themselves in blankets and
shoveling hot soup. Some 3,000 workers from the Russian Red Crescent fanned out in teams, bringing
blankets and torpas.

USG ELECTIONS 2005

USG party 'bullish' on safety, keeping tuition low

BY TARA FLOCKHART

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"I really think this created a buzz, getting people to think about the issues in a differen-
t way," Wicklund said. "I think it was appealing to how many people have been hurt in the internet-
times — we need to do everything we can to keep it safe."

The duo is also trying to improve safety by informing offi-
cials for an online Campus Cams
route that would run from approximately 8 p.m. to 2:30

Field Zhonod, dressed as a bell mouse, escorted a pedestrian across
the intersection of Linn and Burlington Streets Tuesday while
surveillance for USG presidential candidate Ryan Thompson. Because
of the low participation threat that occurred in recent years, Thompson
chose to include the safety of the intersection in his platform.

4:00 p.m. — Among many endeavors to improve safety for pedestrians,
Governmental relations are also being made with local
officials from the community to pass a"To-be-safety
page, which honored of,

by NASSER KARIMI

BRENNER, Iran — Under a cloud, driving rain, surv-

ivors walked over the bodies of the dead and dug through
the ruins of Mitchell homes searching for their loved
ones. They did not give up hope of finding their loved
ones alive, even though they knew the Quake hit

in central Iran on Tuesday, killing at least 432 people.

The 7.8 magnitude temblor struck the dive

area around 9:50 a.m. local time. The number of people
killed was 3,000, according to the U.S. Department of State.

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FILMMAKERS EYE DIVIDED AMERICA

BY KELLY REYNOLDS

In Iowa City, the University of Iowa School of Art and Art History and the Department of Communication Arts present "FIlmmakers Eye Divided America." This exhibit opens Thursday, March 1, and continues through March 31, 2007. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The exhibit is sponsored by the University of Iowa's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the UI Graduate College, the UI College of Education, the UI College of Law, the UI College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the UI Center for the Arts, and the UI Department of Communication Arts.

The exhibit features works by 10 filmmakers who have tackled the question of "What is the role of the filmmaker in an increasingly divided America?" The artists include Dennis Altieri, a former UI student, and current UI professor of film and video, as well as other filmmakers from around the world.

The artists included in the exhibit are:

- Dennis Altieri, "The Other Side of the River"
- Paul Aliverti, "American Gothic"
- Maryann Amacher, "American Gothic"
- John Akomfrah, "The Man Who Fell to Earth"
- Robert Altman, "The Long Goodbye"
- Johnnie To, "In the Mood for Love"
- John Sayles, "The Buenos Aires Adventures"
- Michael Snow, "Sunshine"
- Richard Linklater, "Dazed and Confused"
- Phillip K. Dick, "The World is a Cage"

The exhibit is free and open to the public.

Photo: Courtesy of the University of Iowa

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People pass earthquake-damaged homes in Dasht-e Iran, Iran, on Tuesday. A powerful earthquake shook central Iran on Tuesday, destroying villages, killing at least 429 people, and injuring more than 1000.

Large quake kills 429 in Iran

IRAN
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Heavy rain and bad visibility hampered relief efforts. But Mohamed Jamal Fadelli, the deputy governor of Kermanshah province, and the south would continue through the night in Birjand and two other villages, Surjand and Dushampeh, which emergency crews had had the most difficulty reaching. Rescue efforts were finished in other villages, he told the Associated Press. The quake was centered on the outskirts of Erivan, a town of 35,000 people in Kerman province about 500 miles southeast of Tehran, Iran's political authority, said.

Though comparable in strengths to the 6.0-magnitude Beir quake, Tuesday's tremor hit a more sparsely populated area and was centered for deeper — some 20 miles, compared with six for the Iran. The damage was expected to be more severe, Fadelli said.

This is the worst tragedy that has hit the central mountains — most of them made up fragile mountain rock — but it was a hard hit. Dushampeh, every building apart, a mosque with a golden dome had collapsed. About 50 percent of the buildings in Sardande were leveled.

Fadelli said the death toll stood at 430, with some 100 injured.

Residente de Shishmeh, a village located 15 kilometers from the quake's epicenter, said the damage was extensive and that many of those who were dead were children. In Surjand, residents reported widespread damage and many were trapped under the rubble.

In Kermanshah province, the capital is about 600 miles northeast of the capital, Tehran, and is one of the major cities in the northwestern part of the country. The province has a population of about 1.5 million, and is one of the most earthquake-prone areas in Iran.

U.S. sends proposal to panel

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The next meeting, said Klonak, who has been involved with a group of graduate and professional students who feel that U.S. is not effectively serving their interests.

Graduate student's group, in a letter to the university, said: "If you really want something done, don't use USG," said David Fadelli, a law student and president of the Graduate Student Senate. "This group has not been effective in representing graduate students in the past."

Faculty group approves checks

FACULTY COUNCIL CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1A

It also allows the university to continue its own policy before one is created by a higher authority. University policy is set by the Board of Regents. Such procedures for creating a new commission are unusual, she said.

Certain college, such as the Carver College of Medicine, already requires background checks for new employees.

The hope is that under the new policy, the job at the university will require background checks.

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Ready To Quit?

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Head of religious Shiite party to head Iraq

Observers say Ibrahim al-Jaafari, who was chosen after Ahmad Chalabi dropped out of the race, bas close ties to Iran's ruling clergy

WORLD
Bush warns against lifting Chinese arms embargo

WASHINGTON - President Bush and European leaders setted simmering differences over an arms embargo against China.

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Bush maintained that the balance of relations between China and the United States was strong.

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He contended that the ban should go.

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Man, allegedly plottet to assassinate Bush

Alexandria, VA - A former Virginia high-school mathematics teacher who was detained in Saudi Arabia as a suspected terrorist was charged Tuesday with conspiring to assassinate President Bush and will be tried in federal court.

Ahmed Guru Ali Abu Al-Rub, 21, of Alexandria, Va., entered a not guilty plea Tuesday via videoconference.

A federal indictment said he conspired to show up "in a military-style operation" and detonate a car bomb.

Prosecutors said he conspired to get close enough to Bush so an accomplice could assassinate him.

But the indictment did not say how he would get close enough to the president to carry out the plan.

An operation in Arabia, would change our relationship with the United States, Schroeder said.

"First time I've called him a friend," Bush said after a NATO summit.

But the president said his relationship with Schroeder has not changed over time.

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The White House had no comment on the indictment.

Israel to disarm militant settlers

Israel's prime minister, who said the next step would be to disarm militant settlers and control protests against the government's peace plan for the West Bank.

Jewish settlers said they would not give up their homes in the settlements, which are set for the summer - partly to disrupt new protests and partly by blocking harvesting by farmers near the settlements.

The Palestinian prime minister, during his visit to Israel, promised a steady flow of the Cabinet in what could be the last round of negotiations.

McCain: U.S. needs new partners

WASHINGTON - U.S. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said on Tuesday that he supports a "new partnership" for the war in Afghanistan.

McCain said that the most recent indication of Americans and British officials to join the coalition in the war in Afghanistan was "very encouraging."
**OPINIONS**

**POINT/COUNTERPOINT**

Should graduate students receive full-tuition waivers?

DI editorial writers present opposing views

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**LETTERS**

Pump's House Party a bust

I am writing to inform everyone that I know UIS presid­
ent Barry J. Prisco is not a true friend of ours.

Although I had been aware of the house parties before the first one, I had no idea that they were so popular. However, after experiencing this first party, I can say with confidence that it was a total failure.

The party was held in the President's House, which is located at 101 University Ave. The event began around 9 p.m. and lasted until approximately 2 a.m. Despite the late hour, attendance appeared to be relatively low, with only a few people present.

The atmosphere was rather dull, with few conversations taking place. Many guests were seen standing around aimlessly, rather than engaging in meaningful interactions. Food and drinks were available throughout the evening, but they did not seem to be drawing much attention. A DJ was on hand to provide music, but the selection was limited and did little to elevate the mood.

Overall, I was left feeling disappointed with the house party experience. I had high expectations for an event that was described as a "bust," but I felt like my expectations were exceeded.

Despite the lackluster proceedings, the event did serve as an opportunity to bond with other students and perhaps even find new friends. However, considering the overall lack of engagement and enthusiasm, I question the value of such events in the future.

I encourage other students to express their opinions on the matter. Are you a fan of house parties or do you prefer more traditional social gatherings? Let us know your thoughts by leaving comments below.

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**USS PRESIDENTIAL CONCLUDES**

Barry Pump's Editorial Board will host a debate today at 4 p.m. in the Main Library Shaurma Auditorium. The topic for discussion will be "The State of the Union."

During the event, students will have the opportunity to voice their opinions on various issues facing the country today. The debate will be moderated by pump, and the discussion will be open to all attendees.

I urge everyone to attend this important forum and contribute their thoughts on the state of our nation. Together, we can work towards a brighter future for generations to come.
Symphony to revisit piece by UI alumnus

BY HENRY ALLEN

From Hunter S. Thompson's 'The Man Who Married Himself,' bearing his legs for sale in the Woody Creek Store in Woody Creek, Colo., on Monday, Thompson, who lived in the ski hamlet north of Aspen, was found dead in his home at the age of 67 on Sunday.

We were all doomse, to one of the favorite words. Hades the birth of great journ-

Alumnus William LaRue Jones, conductor of the UI Symphony Orchestra, has composed a piece for the ensemble that he once directed as a student.

Two of the symphony's four movements are set for voice and orchestra featuring poems by Percy Bysshe Shelley. The length of the piece is similar to one from the period in which it was composed, William LaRue Jones said. It's shorter than romantic works such as Beethoven's Eroica, which also appears on tonight's program. A UI professor emeritus who still resides in Iowa City, Obeeck taught at the university for 43 years and was a bassoonist in the UI Symphony for nearly 60 years.

He composed several other pieces, including two for flute and orchestra, a sonata for bass and oboe, and a sonata for clarinet and piano. Jones, now the UI Symphony's emeritus conductor, was one of Obeeck's students.

In the 1950 premiere, Obeeck's wife was the soprano soloist. This time around, Donald Jones, a student of Jones, will sing the part. A member of the UI music faculty, she is the coordinator of the opera program.

Tonight's concert will also feature a poem by Mexican composer Silvestre Revueltas. Composed in 1906, Eroica is the largest and longest symphony that had been written up to that point in music history, Jones said.

"(The concert) will be an interesting one," Jones said. "It will show the music from the European standpoint with Beethoven, to Mexico with Revueltas, and then right here in Iowa City with Obeeck."

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The poet laureate of paranoiac

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calender

• Piano Festival, Piano Master Class, David Korevaar, 2:30 p.m., Vaizac Music Building Harper Hall.
• Progressive Career Fair Keynote Speakers, Engineers for a Sustainable Future, 12:30 p.m., St. MAR.
• Progressive Career Fair Job and Intern-Ship, 1:30-4:30 p.m., SCI Library Ballroom.
• Cinema in Transition — Contemporary Films from Central-Eastern Europe, Wrensone, Visko Brown (2004), Thursday, 7 p.m., 312 Phillip Hall.
• Daily Issues USG Presidential Debate: 7 p.m., Main Library Shoshagngh Auditorium.
• "Live from Prairie Lights," Suzanne Leibson, Recitation, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dauphin St. and WSUI.
• "Cerner City Hall" Public Relations Student Society, 6 p.m., Col Main, 103B Dauphin St.

quote of the day

"I hate to advocate weird chemicals, alcohol, violence, or insanity to anyone... but they've always worked for me."
—Herman S. Thompson

horoscopes

Wednesday, February 22, 2006
—by Eugenie Land.

01 Aries (March 21-Apr. 19). Your friends will be on your team, but the more you who are well will act just as you act. You are a quick thinker, but you are also a big fan of the good old way, and all the support you are getting, you should be able to make much with what you have.
02 Tarian (April 20-May 20). Don't compare yourself to others. Take the simplest route, and you will discover that you are not that different. Don't let your personal desires or achievements control you, and you will accomplish, the less you will need to deal with others.
03 Gemini (May 21-June 20). You must not neglect your job, but you must do it. The more talk showed you down, but don't stick too. Change is not speaking, and though it may not feel what it will, it could be a slow process.
04 Cancer (June 21-July 22). The more you want to have your problems, and only things are not bad. You think much more about getting beyond the cedar, and not increasing something or you can't change. Good things are already growing.
05 Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Consider what you are doing and keeping track. If you can have an idea about the goal that you will find, that is better much. Think outside the box, and you will have the ideas and more, you can get a good plan.
06 Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Take caring, keep your goals plan. You may have to take one of your goals or under the transition. Talk to people who have the information you need for your favorite sport by giving away your ideas.
07 Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22). You are probably thinking too big. Break up and get down. You can freely think about a simple, achieve happiness, security, and a better tomorrow. Don't under mine around.
08 Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21). Get off will what you like right, and stop waiting for others to come. You will be better to get the fruit of the tree, and you will get what you really want.
09 Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You must think you know what you want, but when you quit, you will probably change your mind. Take a breath, and have a little time to think about your affair. This is not the time for serious discussions, CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You are good at accomplishing things, but not if you take on much that you end up thinking in circles. Forward will be not to be formed, so don't support to help you achieve your goals. It all in the way you give up.
10 Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Trust, learning, and hope to do about your own work. You can accomplish something you have been going to get out of the way in some time, have a lot of tasks on your mind. Consider what you have to do and make the decision. Read the news, be better, and use the executive you have to get where you want to go. Do it.
11 Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). For today, you may have to work on your social life, but you will be able to have a lot of fun on your own time. You may have to work hard to get the best of your goals. Sometimes, you will have to ask yourself what is it that you want most in life.

news you need to know

March 4 — Degree applications due for May graduation, 4:30 p.m.
March 7 — Late degree applications fee in effect
March 11 — Residence halls dinner contract ends, dinner
March 15 — Beginning of spring break, 5 p.m.

happy birthday to...

Feb. 23 — Ryan "Molly" Mollineau, 21; Beth Brownson, 21; Pamela Wale

PATV schedule

4:30 Prelude to Spring
4:30 Big Tops: Sports Live
4:30 Presidential Options
5:30 UTV 50 Year Special

UVTV schedule

4:30 "Live from Prairie Lights." Tim Pay
4:30 "Talking From Above and Below," Humphreys in the East Campus Tour
4:30 Dish: Singing at Iowa, "Their Stories of Education Preventive Biography"
4:30 Piano Festival: "Live from Prairie Lights." Tim Pay
4:30 "Know the Score," Feb. 11
4:30 "Love From Prairie Lights." Tim Pay
4:30 Globalization: The Search for a "Universal Case"
11:45 Say Something

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• I saw you doing S&M at the A.M.
• I may be high, but I think that's a lie.
• She wouldn't let me touch her goodie, so I slapped nasties with her friend.
• You spread manure on my heart.
• I buried her in the backyard underground the fridge.

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- Tennis at Big Ten champion's name, venue
- Women's basketball hosts Illinois, Carver-Hawkeye Arena, 7:00 p.m.
- Women's swimming at Big Ten championship, venue
- Softball at Minnesota 6:30 p.m.
- Women's track at Big Ten championships, venue

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Send in the team clowns

Women's basketball seniors: JENNA CAYEY and JENNIFER ARMSTONG turned the tables on reporters at the press conference by interviewing each other—an attitude that symbolizes what this spirited team is all about, on and off the court.

BY TED MCCARTAN

A small crowd of five or six reporters descended upon Iowa senior forward JENNIFER ARMSTONG last Thursday afternoon for a weekly meeting with the media. Questions ranged from how she's progressed as a player while being here in Iowa to how she'll depart after her last game in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, which will be senior night Thursday, February 20th.

Suddenly, someone with some media experience wandered in from one of the reporters, and the habit of answering questions began. Who is the closet person that actually has a clue about what she's doing?

In the past, the Iowa Hewkeyes have featured a media director. In this instance, Jen Cavey, the other star on the Iowa women's basketball team, who might very well be a better option than the "5'10" who doesn't want to grow up" toys' R Us employee.

"Um ... besides myself," Armstrong said, smiling over the question, acting as confused as she could.

"Both," answered Cavey with a smile. "I'm going to go with her.""I might have to go with the other senior's name," she said. "I'm trying to give her a title.""Do you want to go with her," Armstong finished.

Meanwhile, "the professional" reporters kind of roll their eyes. The two go in it this world of sports. They always begin interviewing at a pace and speed that simply wouldn't happen in any other world.

"I won't let her win, continue the interrogation."
MLB SPRING TRAINING

BARRY BONDS IS BACK

Upon arrival at spring training, the seven-time NL MVP sidestepped media questions about steroids and explained his desire to just play baseball!

BY JANIE McCAALEY

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Barry Bonds, at long last, was ready to return to baseball with no apologies. The seven-time National League Most Valuable Player, considered by many to be the greatest baseball player of his generation, was back at spring training for the Arizona Diamondbacks, who hope to benefit from his presence.

The 45-year-old Bonds, who made his debut in 1986 and has played for nearly 25 years, was signed by the Diamondbacks in December as a free agent and was due to report to spring training on Wednesday. His return to the big leagues has been eagerly anticipated by fans and media alike.

"I just don't believe it," Bonds said in a press conference on Monday. "I just don't believe it. I don't believe it." He was asked whether he was excited to be back in the saddle, and Bonds said, "I'm just excited to be back on the field. I'm just excited to be back playing baseball." He added, "I'm just excited to be back playing baseball. I just didn't believe it."

Bonds said he was looking forward to the challenge of playing against top-tier pitchers and the pressure that comes with being a star in the sport.

"I'm looking forward to being back on the field," Bonds said. "I'm looking forward to being back in the game. I'm looking forward to being back playing baseball. I just didn't believe it."

The Diamondbacks have high hopes for Bonds. They believe he can help them make a run for the playoffs, and they hope he can bring a spark to their lineup.

Bonds was expected to report to spring training on Wednesday and was due to begin playing games on Friday. He will be a DH for the team and will play in the outfield.

The Diamondbacks are hoping Bonds can help them compete in a competitive NL West.

"I just don't believe it," Bonds said. "I just don't believe it. I just don't believe it."
The Wednesday, February 31

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City, Mall, ... and she offered the money on Feb. 1, when the Mechanic played the Go... in Pella. It was Shannon's first game as a Mechanics hero to two seniors... head coach the day before. Mechanics Presid... Tull and players confirmed that Shannon made the offer.

Shannon said Tuesday that he never appeared to the team and that the players have wanted to hurt Kerr because Kerr criticized the Mechanics in one League game. Chris Chisholm, Derek Hatch... and Kris Diurle of the 6-10 Wings signed with the Mechanics the day before the game in Pella.

Shannon also said some players were disappointed because the team was... for a team with NHL players.

"I don't think, if it was $500 in my pocket, to be honest with you," Shannon said.

Tull said that Shannon was slightly injured by a clean check in the Feb. 9 game, but no one collected any money from Shannon.

"Nothing ended up happening. Most of the players thought that the check was just handed to them," he said.

Tull said that Shannon would not be suspended for the 2008 season.

"No, we didn't put anything in a bag and kick the bag's lid. You can't even hand someone历史上 and screw them, or... you'd feel!" he said.

"Neither the league nor the Mechanics would ever condone1... on the ice.

Shannon offered $500 for the... for a bounty on Steve Shannon was suspended Tuesday that his... in Pella.

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Baseball

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There's a very, very competitive guy," Dahm said. "And that's what you want in that pitching role or the setup role. What we're looking for is a guy who is going to give you a chance. And that's all we can ask for.

Gutek uses his role as a starter to be the best for him, but he believes it will take much more than that for him to be the best for Iowa. He's learning that the best fit for this program isn't necessarily to be the best for Iowa.

"It's a definite team first," Dahm said. "They go out to work on the guys, and we're going to be working on the team. You have to complement each other, and I'm going to make sure they get used to what we're about.

As far as the offense goes, the Hawkeyes return All-Big Ten catcher and slugger Jeff Engel, shortstop Andy Brownell, who's about 5-7, 175, and center fielder L.J. Hagen led the Gophers in points from the big three last season with 30 at OSU and 32 at the Big Ten. The base is one of the toughest in the Big Ten. It has been quite an experience for the Hawkeyes to have a team anchored by two players like Engle and Brownell.

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The Hawkeyes will also feature freshman pitcher Nick Littke, who is expected to be the future of the Big Ten. The Hawkeyes are going to be returning All-Big Ten catcher and slugger Jeff Engel, shortstop Andy Brownell, who's about 5-7, 175, and center fielder L.J. Hagen led the Gophers in points from the big three last season with 30 at OSU and 32 at the Big Ten. The base is one of the toughest in the Big Ten. It has been quite an experience for the Hawkeyes to have a team anchored by two players like Engle and Brownell.

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