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ue Waters critiques one of her classmates' paintings in a weekly advanced watercolors class at the Central Orange Senior Center in Hillsborough on Thursday. Waters has been participating in Luna Lee Ray's class for eight years. Ray has been teaching the class, where students complete weekly paintings to discuss and critique, for more than 10 years. Many of the participants donate their final products to charitable auctions.

Standing by its campaign, Student Union rebuffs code

BY CAITLIN MCCABE AND AMELIA NITZ

Student Union officials aren't denying allegations that they broke the Student Code in their campaign to place the UCommons referendum on the Feb. 8 ballot.

Instead, they're denying that the Student Code applies to them at all.

On Feb. 7, Adam Horowitz, a Student Congress member, filed a lawsuit claiming Andrew Phillips, chairman of the Board of Elections, and Student Body President Hogan Medlin broke the Student Code by allowing a place on the ballot for a referendum to renovate the Union's bottom floor.

Tony Patterson, senior associate director of student life and activities, said Phillips informed him that the Union's posting of campaign materials and petitioning in academic buildings would be violations for a student or student organization.

Patterson said Phillips "did his job" and came forward with the

"Title VI defines a campaign as

UNC, Duke to

This fall's incoming freshmen at

UNC and Duke University might

have more than rivalry in common

— they will also be sharing a sum-

Duke are working together to assign

the same book for their respective

"The program shows the collab-

orative spirit that exists between

the two campuses," said Todd

Adams, the senior associate dean

connection between the two cam-

puses, said April Mann, director of

New Student and Carolina Parent

about greater connections between

the two institutions," she said.

"It was initiated by conversations

Specific program activities have

"We have to select the book

yet to be set since the book has not

first and then discuss what pro-

This is an indication of a greater

summer reading programs.

of students for Duke.

Programs for UNC.

been chosen.

For the first time ever, UNC and

BY JASMINE CHEN

mer reading book.

including referenda and there is a enough clarification to bring a suit specific clause preventing referenda against Phillips and Medlin. groups from posting information outside the Union," Phillips said.

But Patterson said the Union ultimately used its own interpretation.

Don Luse, director of the Union, said his staff considered Phillips' warning, but ultimately went ahead with plans to place campaign materials on University buildings and petition within academic buildings.

Those officials and Horowitz have acknowledged that the events of this year will require a clarification of Title VI of the Code, which deals with elections.

But Horowitz said the Union's interpretation was wrong.

"My biggest issue was that if you look at the Union's campaign, it was breaking almost any campaign law within Title VI," Horowitz said, adding that he sued Medlin and Phillips rather than the Union because the two are bound by the Code to enforce election law.

Phillips said the Code only has jurisdiction over students and student organizations — and provides

Rivals share summer reading

assign same book even know that we have the same book."

grammatic initiatives will come

expects the UNC-Duke joint sum-

mer reading book committee to

choose the book later this month.

However, some UNC students

are questioning the impact of the

much of an effect," said UNC fresh-

"It's a good sentiment, but I

honestly don't think that anyone at

UNC will even know that we have

the same book," said UNC fresh-

man Colin Ward. "It would really

depend on how they format the

Ward has closer ties to Duke than

the average UNC student. But he

said he does not consider summer

reading influential enough to give

him significant common ground

with Duke students for his semes-

ter there as part of the Robertson

As a UNC Robertson Scholar,

the only one who thinks so.

man Shreyas Tikare. And he isn't before class starts.

COLIN WARD, FRESHMAN

joint undertaking.

program," he said.

Scholars program.

"I honestly don't think that anyone ... will

forward," Adams said. He said he friends read the Class of 2014 sum-

"I don't think it'll have that tion, Adams said. In the past, UNC

Horowitz and his three fellow plaintiffs filed a subpoena calling for communications between the board and the Department of Housing and Residential Education, Medlin and the Union regarding the election. Also included in the subpoena are minutes of the Union Board of Directors meetings and internal Union e-mails.

The results of the vote have not been released because of an injunction issued by Jessica Womack, chief justice of the Student Supreme Court.

Womack said the complaints are currently on hold while the court waits for evidence to be gathered and submitted by the Student Union.

Phillips said he recognizes the Code is ambiguous but said he thinks it is unlikely that the University will allow student government control over aspects of administrative units in the future.

Contact the University Editor at university@dailytarheel.com.

Ward said he estimated half of his

mer reading book. Duke's freshman

participation is upwards of 90 per-

Duke structures its summer

reading discussion program so that

it is part of the freshman orienta-

has hosted small discussion groups

Duke also sends each incom-

ing freshmen the summer reading

book, while UNC has left it up to

the students to purchase the book.

shortlist are "The Sea" by John

Banville, "Shop Class as Soulcraft"

by Matthew B. Crawford, "The Dew

Breaker" by Edwidge Danticat,

"Eating Animals" by Jonathan

Safran Foer, "The Immortal Life

of Henrietta Lacks" by Rebecca

Skloot and "Losing My Cool" by

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Books on the new program's

cent, according to Adams.

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Military deployed in streets of the Bahrain capital after fatal attacks

AMMAN, Jordan (MCT) -Bahrain's military deployed early morning attack on sleeping protesters killed at least three people and wounded 230 others.

Mourners massed at the hospital but were afraid to carry the dead out on a traditional funeral march as the government announced that people should stay off the streets of central Manama, the capital city, and warned ominously that the army would take all steps necessary to guard stability.

The crowds grew angrier over the day in disbelief over the assault against them and thrust their fists in the air in anti-government

country's main Shiite Muslim opposition party announced its 18

MANAMA, Bahrain and members were leaving the parliament, casting doubt on the function of the 40-seat body. Bahrain armored vehicles in the streets of is governed by Sunni Muslims, Manama on Thursday after an and the grievances of the country's Shiite majority are driving the current protests.

The violence presents a diplomatic challenge to the United States, which relies heavily on Bahrain for defense assistance even as it presses for democratic change in the region. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton called Foreign Minister Khalid bin Ahmed al-Khalifa on Thursday morning to express "deep concern about recent events" and to urge restraint, a State Department official said in an e-mail message to

The killings stunned the tiny In anger over the violence, the but strategic Persian Gulf island nation of 800,000 people, home to the U.S. Navy's 5th Fleet.

Terrorist plot leader sentenced to prison

NEW YORK (MCT) - The alleged mastermind of a terrorist plot to blow up fuel tanks and pipelines at Kennedy Airport was sentenced Thursday to life in federal prison.

Russell DeFreitas, 67, a former cargo handler at the airport, was convicted of five counts of conspiracy and a charge of surveillance of a mass-transit facility on Aug. 2.

During the sentencing in federal court in Brooklyn, Judge Dora Irizarry said DeFreitas was a "true believer" who was the leader of the aborted plot.

'He's the one who has been dreaming about this for many years," the judge said.

Before she imposed the sentence, Irizarry asked DeFreitas if he wanted to comment.

DeFreitas said, "No, your Honor. I think it's been already said."

Federal prosecutors said DeFreitas and his co-defendants, Guyanese politician Abdul Kadir

and Guyanese national Abdel Nur, plotted in 2006 and 2007 to destroy the fuel supply and pipelines at the airport — calling the plot "Shining Light" for the massive explosion they hoped to trigger.

DeFreitas' lawyer Mildred Whalen tried to downplay his involvement in the plot and noted that the plot never turned into action.

"He talked a big game," she told Irizarry on Thursday. "This is just

Nur, 60, was sentenced last month to 15 years in prison. Kadir was sentenced to life in prison.

Although the plot was penetrated by an FBI mole for more than a year and the plotters foundered in trying to develop an operational plan — even discussing fantastical schemes involving rats and ninjas - prosecutors contended efforts to get support from Caribbean terror groups, al-Qaida, Hezbollah and Iran made it a serious threat.

Inflation good for unemployment

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MCT) - After months and years of ultra-low inflation, American consumers are beginning to pay higher prices for gas, food, clothes, rents and travel, new data released Thursday show. And behind the scenes, Washington policy makers may be cheering it on, or at least that's the view of some economists.

While higher prices may not be welcomed by consumers, higher inflation means the government's real cost of paying the huge interest charges on the national debt will fall. And, since higher inflation usually translates into a a cheaper dollar, U.S. exports will become more affordable - and more competitive - in overseas markets. What's more, an uptick in inflation could actually help bring down unemployment.

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