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WIN FOR CLARK, EXIT FOR TIGER



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N.C. State alum Tim Clark scored his first PGA Tour victory Sunday with a come-from-behind surge at The Players Championship, considered golf's "fifth major" tournament. Tiger Woods pulled out of the final round with neck pain he fears might be caused by a bulging disk.

SPORTS, 1C

THIS WEEK

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POLITICAL STORM WARNING

Everybody take cover. Starting Wednesday, the legislature is back in town for a short session – by legislative standards, anyway. Job No. 1 is next year's budget, which is already facing a significant deficit. But in this election year, both parties are aiming to claim the title of reformer, so expect to see a bevy of ethical reforms on the menu.



SHOVEL OF JUSTICE

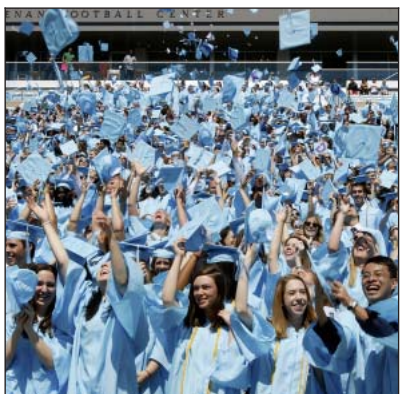
County officials will hold a groundbreaking ceremony at 1 p.m. today for the new Wake County Justice Center at the Salisbury Street construction site in downtown Raleigh. With completion expected in summer 2013, the 577,000-square-foot facility will have room for 22 offices for superior and district court judges, the district attorney and a larger meeting room for the Wake board of commissioners. Sporting a price tag of around \$190 million, the new building is also touted as being energy efficient. That grinding sound you hear might be Raleigh Mayor Charles Meeker expressing nonverbal frustration about the city's stalled public safety center project.

LYME DISEASE ALERT

With confirmed cases of the tick-borne bacterial infection in Wake and other counties, and with state public health officials agreeing with what Lyme disease activists have said for years, a group called Carolina Lyme will hold a public awareness event Wednesday at Raleigh's Lincoln Theatre, including a film about the malady's symptoms and treatment. **Page 1B**



POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE: THE SEQUEL



UNC graduates toss their caps after author John Grisham spoke on a nearly perfect spring day.

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Thousands of graduates got their degrees Sunday during Mother's Day commencement ceremonies at UNC-Chapel Hill and Meredith College. Thousands more will get their sheepskins this weekend as the season for commencement ceremonies at Triangle universities and colleges continues. For more on the UNC and Meredith commencements, turn to **Page 1B**.

5-DAY FORECAST

TODAY	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.
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EU reaches rescue pact

The deal would provide \$640 billion in loans to nations in financial jeopardy.

BY JAMES KANTER AND LONDON THOMAS JR. THE NEW YORK TIMES

BRUSSELS – Pressured by sliding markets and doubts over their ability to act in unison, European leaders agreed Sunday to provide almost \$640 billion in new loans to the continent's debt-riddled nations in a sweeping effort to regain lost credibility with investors.

After more than 10 hours of talks, finance ministers from the European Union agreed on a deal that would provide \$560 billion in bilateral loans

and \$76 billion under an existing lending program managed by the European Commission, the union's executive body. Elena Salgado, the Spanish finance minister, who announced the deal, said the International Monetary Fund was prepared to give up to \$280 billion separately.

Officials are hoping the size of the program will signal a "shock and awe" commitment that will be viewed in the same vein as the \$700 billion package the U.S. government provided to help its own ailing financial institutions in 2008.

The EU's monetary affairs commissioner, Olli Rehn, said the agreement "proves that we shall defend the euro whatever it takes," The Associated Press reported.

The leaders were making

DOLLARS TO EUROPE

The Federal Reserve on Sunday opened a program to ship U.S. dollars to Europe in a move to head off a broader financial crisis on the continent.

Other central banks, including the Bank of Canada, the Bank of England, the European Central Bank and the Swiss National Bank, are also involved in the effort. The Federal Reserve said the Bank of Japan will soon consider a similar program.

The Fed said the action is being taken in "response to the reemergence of strains" in financial markets in Europe.

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yet another attempt to stem a debt crisis that has engulfed Europe and global markets. Underscoring the urgency,

President Barack Obama spoke to German Chancellor Angela Merkel and French President Nicolas Sarkozy on Sunday about the need for decisive action to restore investor confidence.

New political complications in two of Europe's most important countries added to the challenge. In Germany, voter anger at the effort to save Greece cost Merkel an important regional election Sunday, undermining her leadership, and in Britain, the government remained in a state of suspended animation because of the inconclusive Parliamentary elections last week.

The package comes at a time of mounting financial ease. Riots in Greece, ever-

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A sacred place, a bitter fight



Scarecrows rest at a barn in the Kituwah valley near Bryson City. Much of the valley is leased to Cherokee tribal members for farming. The valley contains the Kituwah mound, said to be the birthplace of the Cherokee nation.

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Relay station was planned within sight of hallowed Cherokee ground

BY JOHN MURAWSKI STAFF WRITER

It may well be the most sacred spot in North Carolina.

The Kituwah mound was bestowed to the Cherokees by the Creator as the birthplace of the Cherokee nation, according to oral tradition.

Cradled by the Smoky Mountains and lullabied for eons by the Tuckasegee River, the mound and surrounding valley is the Cherokee promised land. Cherokees compare Kituwah to the Garden of Eden, and even its panoramic view is considered sacred to all Cherokees.

Then last year that view was threatened. Duke Energy began clearing land on the other side of the river – but within view of Kituwah – in preparation for a regional equipment upgrade to boost power deliv-



Visible from Kituwah is the site across the river where Duke Energy began clearing land for a relay station.

ery to the region.

Duke planned to put in an electrical relay station on a parcel 100 yards square, the size of two football fields laid side by side. Duke also planned to replace wooden

utility poles with 100-foot-tall transmission towers and conduct high-voltage wires in the serene valley.

To the Cherokees, it was a form of desecration.

Since then, the tribe and the

Charlotte utility company have been involved in a modern variant of a treaty negotiation, one that may ultimately be decided by the N.C. Utilities Commission.

Duke, the state's biggest power company and one of the

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Growing church opts for tele-communion

GARNER – A new church was born Sunday morning, but, like an increasing number of congregations, it has no preaching pastor.

In what has become one of the most popular church growth methods across the country, a large white screen unfurled in front of the stage with the preacher's image projected on it, preempt-

ing the live sermon and the pastor's physical presence.

Welcome to the satellite church, a 21st century phenomenon that owes its success to advances in technology. These days, instead of starting new congregations, churches are reproducing the successful ones, franchise-style.

The newest to join the club is Living Word Family Church, a non-denominational church in Wake Forest. The congregation, with about 1,000 people attending each Sunday in a building off Capital Boulevard, opted to grow

by duplication. When an older pastor with strong ties to Living Word decided he wanted to retire, he turned over his Garner congregation to the Wake Forest church. On Sunday, Living Word South Campus was launched on Mechanical



Caronna sees this as the future.

Boulevard in Garner.

"I definitely think if Jesus was walking the earth today,

he'd be using all this technology," said Steve Caronna, pastor of Living Word Family Church. "Jesus was the master storyteller and taught everything by illustration."

Over the past five years, nearly every megachurch in the Triangle has done the same. Hope Community Church in Raleigh, Cleveland Community Church, or C3, in Clayton, and the Summit Church in Durham – all have at least one satellite location where the pastor's message is recorded and then streamed

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