

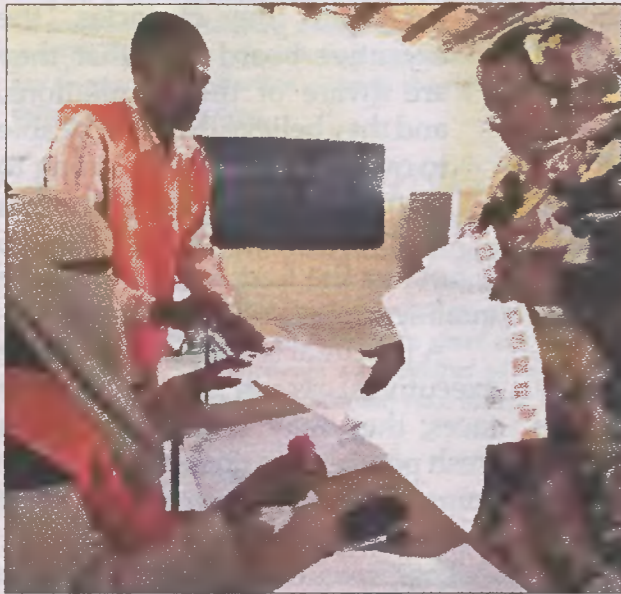


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WORLD & NATION



Sudanese voters line up to cast their vote for a new president and new parliament.

Sudan holds first multi-party election in 24 years

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In 2005, the miracle many Sudanese had been waiting for finally happened. After over 20 years of fighting, the Second Sudanese Civil War finally came to an end. Now, less than five years later, Sudan has made yet another step toward achieving peace.

For the first time in 24 years, Sudan held a multi-party, democratic election. At first, the election was due to take place in March and April of 2009, but it was delayed due to problems with voting preparation.

Representatives from the Sudan People's Liberation Movement (SPLM), a faction originating in southern Sudan that emerged during the Civil War, will be among the groups to field a candidate in the election. The SPLM intended to stage a campaign against the current president, Omar al-Bashir.

Voting occurred from April 11 to April 15, 2010. The Sudanese, both men and women, voted candidates into both the presidency and the National Assembly. Specifically, this vote included the election of the national president, the parliament of Sudan, the southern Sudan presidency and parliament, the state governors, and the state assemblies.

The results, expected to be announced on April 20, were delayed until a later date.

"We cannot set a definite date to announce the results because (the counting) is a very complicated process," al-Hadi

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Tea Party tax day protest draws hundreds

By Eric Campbell
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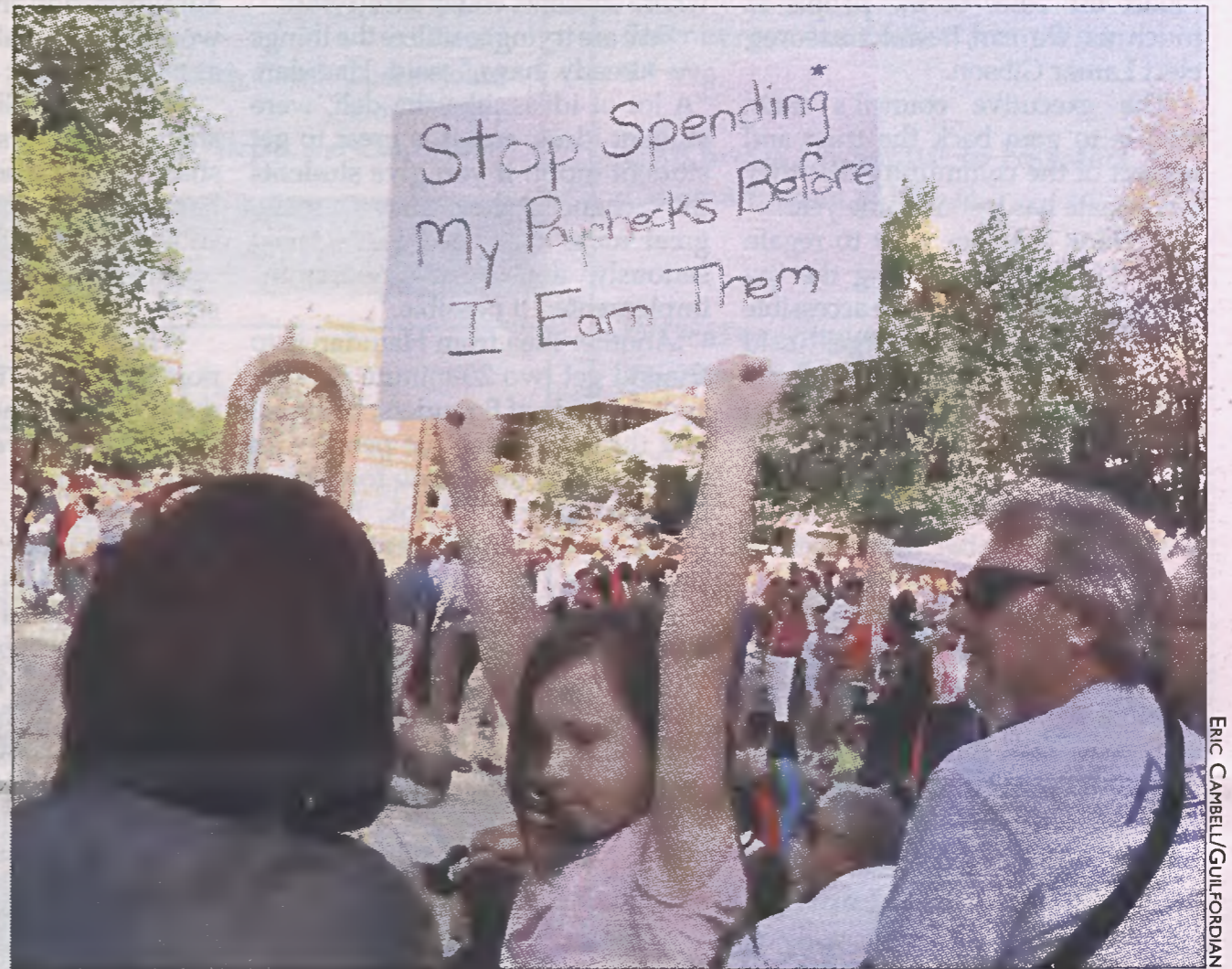
They have been lionized on the right and vilified on the left. They have been called extremists, and they have been upheld as "real Americans." On Thursday, April 15, Tax Day, the Tea Party came to Greensboro.

The Tea Party movement emerged in February 2009 in response to changing government economic policies, especially the 2008 financial bailouts. Over the past year, they have vocally demonstrated against the Obama administration's proposed health care reforms, viewing them as a government intrusion into a domain best left to free market influences.

The Tax Day protest took place at the Greensboro Governmental Plaza in front of the Guilford County Courthouse. Hundreds of participants bearing signs and flags lined the steps in front of a stage where local public figures spoke. Speakers identified themselves by their first names and a work-related title, in the manner of Samuel "Joe the Plumber" Wurzelbacher.

"I want low taxes, small government, and my freedom," said Isabella Atkins, wife

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Laura Miller, an 11-year-old resident of Guilford County, raises her sign at the Tea Party protest in the Greensboro Government Plaza downtown on April 15.

FEATURES

WQFS to kick off 40th anniversary celebration

SWEDEN'S THE TALLEST MAN ON EARTH TO HEADLINE TWO DAY FESTIVAL

By Almena Mayes & Crosby Blair
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Imagine sitting under the stars on a cool summer night. Sweet, soft, melodic music catches the breeze and saunters through the air encircling, then descending into your ear and settling somewhere deep in your soul. The song is subtle and it lulls you into a state of semi-consciousness. You relax and let your mind drift away on the peaceful waves.

This is nothing like WQFeSt.

The year's-end bash that those at the station have been planning since last fall is part of several events that will go on throughout 2010 to



Kristian Matsson, the Swedish folk musician commonly known as The Tallest Man on Earth, will headline the second night of WQFeSt., which takes place April 23 and 24.

celebrate WQFS's 40th anniversary as a radio station. The actual 40th anniversary festival is going to be held by the lake on Sept. 25.

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SPORTS

2009-10 was a year for the fans

By Patrick Childs
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There are rare moments in sports that are so supernatural that they are impossible to believe. When an athlete or a team performs these feats, fans have to pinch themselves to know weren't dreaming.

From early fall to the chilly winter and the blooming spring, there were moments throughout the 2009-10 year in Guilford sports that had competitors scratching their foreheads and Guilford fans cheering their throats hoarse.

After a clutch hit, a dramatic win, or an unbelievable play, many athletes at Guilford gave their beloved fans and friends a wave, a tip of their hat or even a round of applause.

The 2009-10 year in Guilford sports was for the fans. The excitement of the 2009-10 year began under four bright lights in Armfield Athletic Center when the women's soccer team broke in the new turf with their home season opener against cross-town rivals Greensboro College. Stuck at a deadlock tie in the 84th minute, the lights, the 175 fans in attendance, and a video camera captured a 40-yard, one-timer goal

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