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From the beautiful game to the beautiful powerlift, Furman athletes are going pro and breaking records at an impressive pace. This summer, of course, saw former Furman star Clint Dempsey ’03, whom Sports Illustrated called “The Talisman,” lead the U.S. men in the World Cup in Brazil. Earlier, in April at the NFL draft, Dakota Dozier ’13 became the 137th pick by the New York Jets. No word yet on how the Jets will position Dozier—whose draft scouting report praised his ability to “play with vinegar”—but many believe he will switch from the offensive tackle position he played at Furman to guard. And Andrew “Tank” Phillips ’14 (a teammate of Dozier’s) made headlines himself last February when he competed in the 306-pound division of the World Powerlifting Federation All Raw Tournament of Champions. Phillips broke the record of the deadlift in the Junior Division by heaving 605 pounds on his second attempt.