

Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

“Thanksgiving was never meant to be shut up in a single day!.”  
- Robert Casper Lintner

Sports and more!

# Tyti’ana Mathis to play softball for Wallace Community College

On Wednesday, November 18th, with mom Nekie Mathis, dad Jay Mathis, and a room packed with excited family member, teammates, coaches and friends, Seminole County Lady Indian Tyti’ana Mathis signed a letter of intent to play softball for Lurleen B Wallace Community College, located in Andalusia, Alabama. Tyti’ana plans to attend in the Fall of 2022 and major in Health Education.

Addressing those in attendance Seminole County Middle High School Principal and Athletic Director Shane Purdy commented, “I am very proud of her and her accomplishment as she has put so much work into achieving this goal. She is a well-rounded person who excels in the classroom as well as in athletics. We wish her the best in college and beyond as she will represent Seminole County Indians forever!”

Pictured at right, left to right are, standing: SCES Principal and Coach Truette Johnson, Coach Jessica Helms, Coach Dirk Williams, SCMHS Principal and Athletic Director Shane Purdy, Travel Ball Coach Fred Lanphere, and Coach Brandon Ingram; sitting: Jay Mathis, Nekie Mathis, Tyti’ana Mathis, and College Coach Wiggins.



## Seminole County Recreation Department C-Team Cheerleaders place third in competition

The Seminole County Recreation cheerleaders participated in competition in the Southeast Pee Wee Football League. The C team brought home the third place trophy for their outstanding performance in the competition.

C team members, pictured with trophy above, left to right, are Isabella Powell, Ashlynn Houston, Kimora Kimble, Kristyn Donley, Mya Cox, Ellie Houston, and Peyton Pollock.

Also pictured are all of the cheerleaders who participated in the competition from Seminole County.



## Board of Regents won’t change names of buildings with racist links

The University System of Georgia has decided not to pursue plans to rename dozens of buildings and colleges named for historical figures associated with racism.

The board voted Monday not to accept the recommendations of an advisory board headed by Albany State University President Marion Fedrick formed in June of last year to explore the issue.

“The intent of the advisory group was to better understand the names that mark our buildings and colleges, recognizing there would likely be a number of individuals who engaged in behaviors or held beliefs that do not reflect or represent our values today,” the regents wrote in a joint statement.

“The University System of Georgia is majority minority – 54% of our students identify as non-white, representing the strength and diversity of this state,” said Regent Sarah-Elizabeth Langford of Atlanta.

Although the board opted not to move forward with the renamings, the advisory committee’s work was valuable, said Regent Don Waters of Savannah.

“I believe it is important for students and the system to know and understand the history on our campuses and in our communities as we work together to build a better future,” he said. “History is a great teacher, and we and our institutions can learn much from this effort.”



As we gather around the family table to give thanks,  
we remember you, our friends and neighbors,  
whose loyal patronage gives us so much to be thankful for.  
Hope your Thanksgiving is a happy one.

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