

*Celebrating*

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# HISTORY



# The Gateway Goods

March 5, 2024 Issue 16

Trey Shelton and June Berry dance to Rhoda G.  
Photo by Colette Morton.

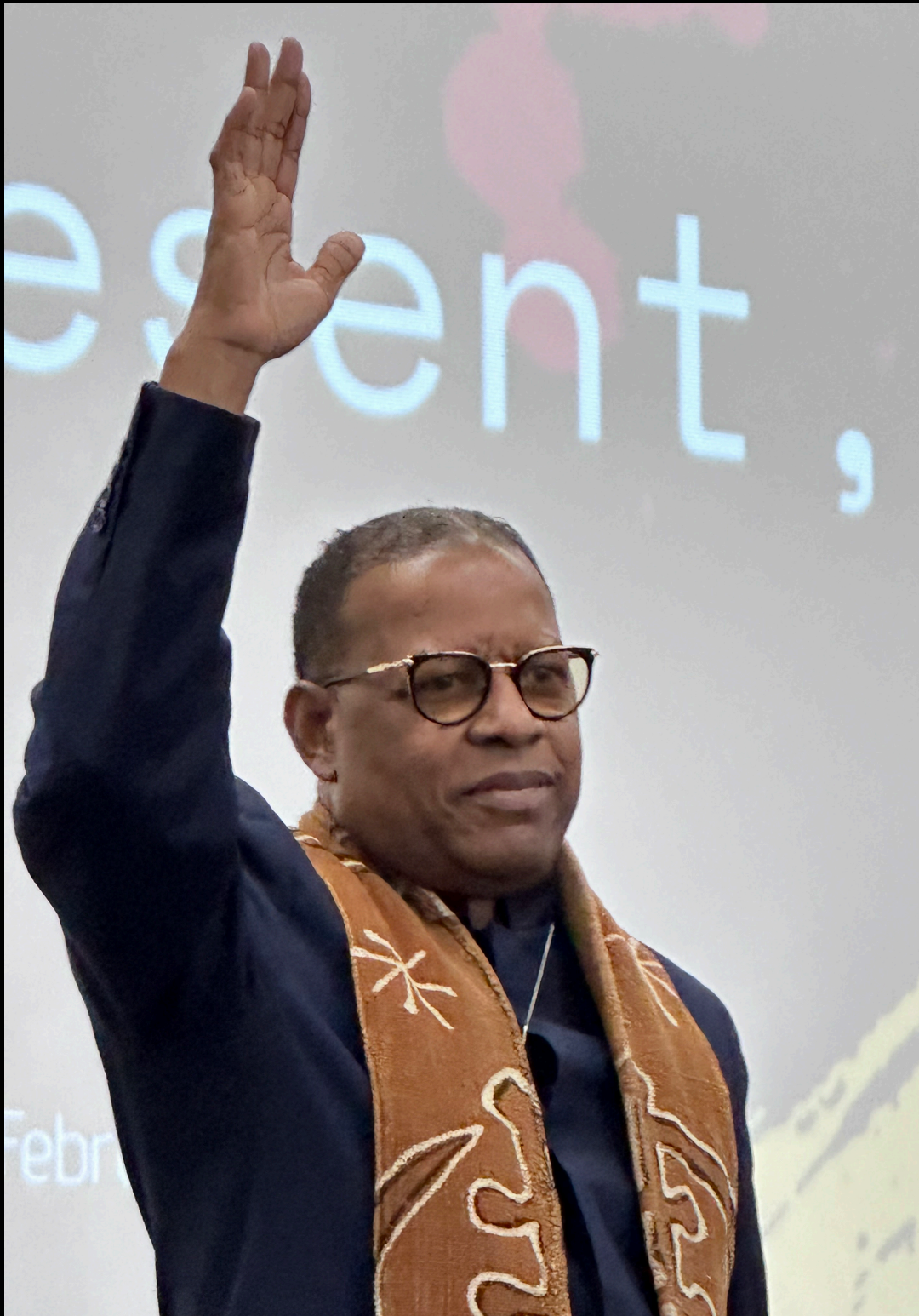


Top left:  
Jamez Wilson  
and Javell  
Lott-Jeffrey  
enjoy the  
music.

Bottom:  
Akyra Mosby  
and Khai  
Hester.

*Photos by Colette  
Morton.*





## Dr. J.A. Salaam

Salaam who spoke to our students is "on a mission to bring positive change in the world. I dig deep into the being of matter in search of diamonds. For life is precious!"

Left: J.A. Salaam waves to students. Top left: Valerie Camacho-Ruiz listens to the speaker. Top right: Fernando Gonzalez, Tyler Taylor-Gill, Alexander Gonzalez, and Valerie Bonilla listens to Salaam.

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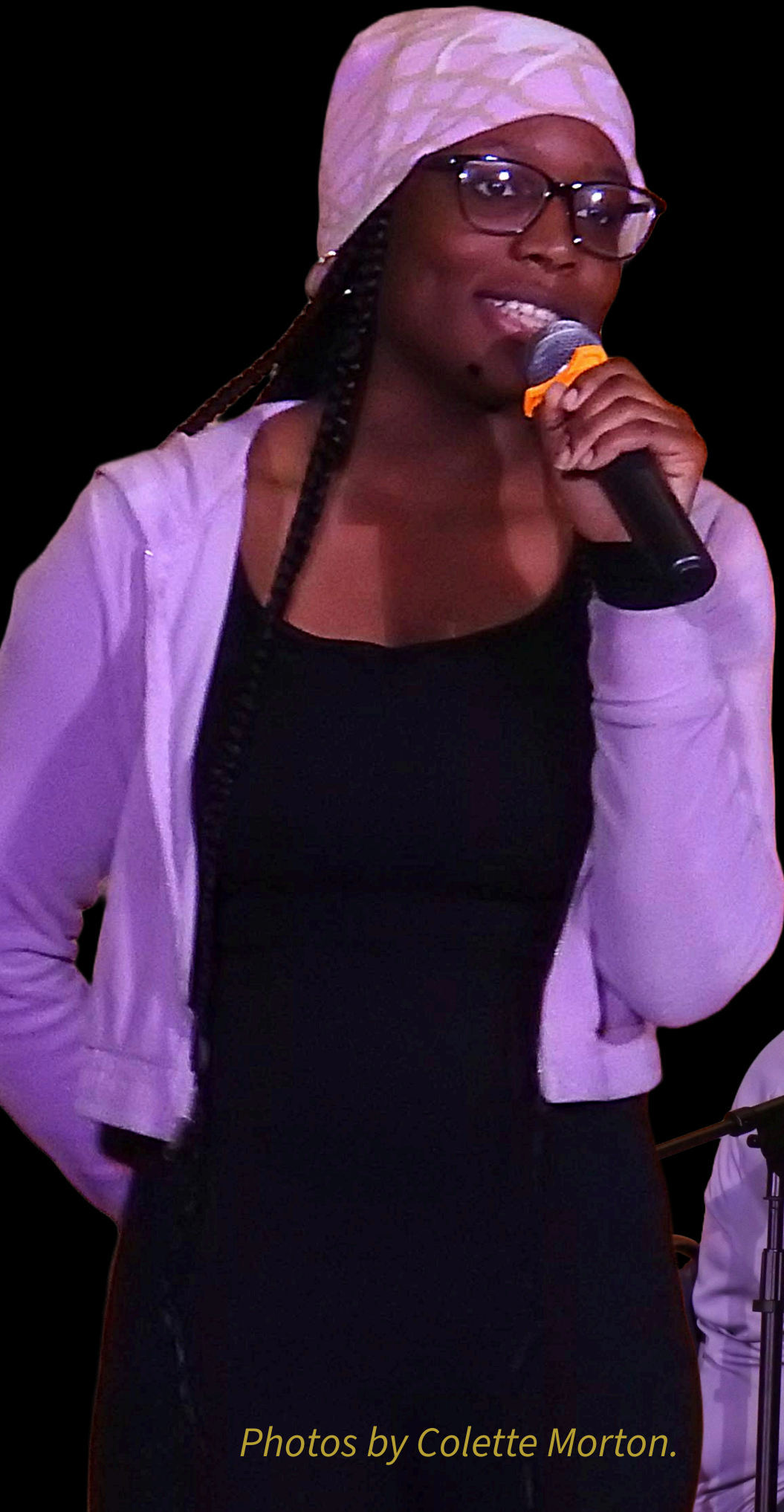
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# Assembly



Trey Shelton and Chris Collins dance to Beyoncé.

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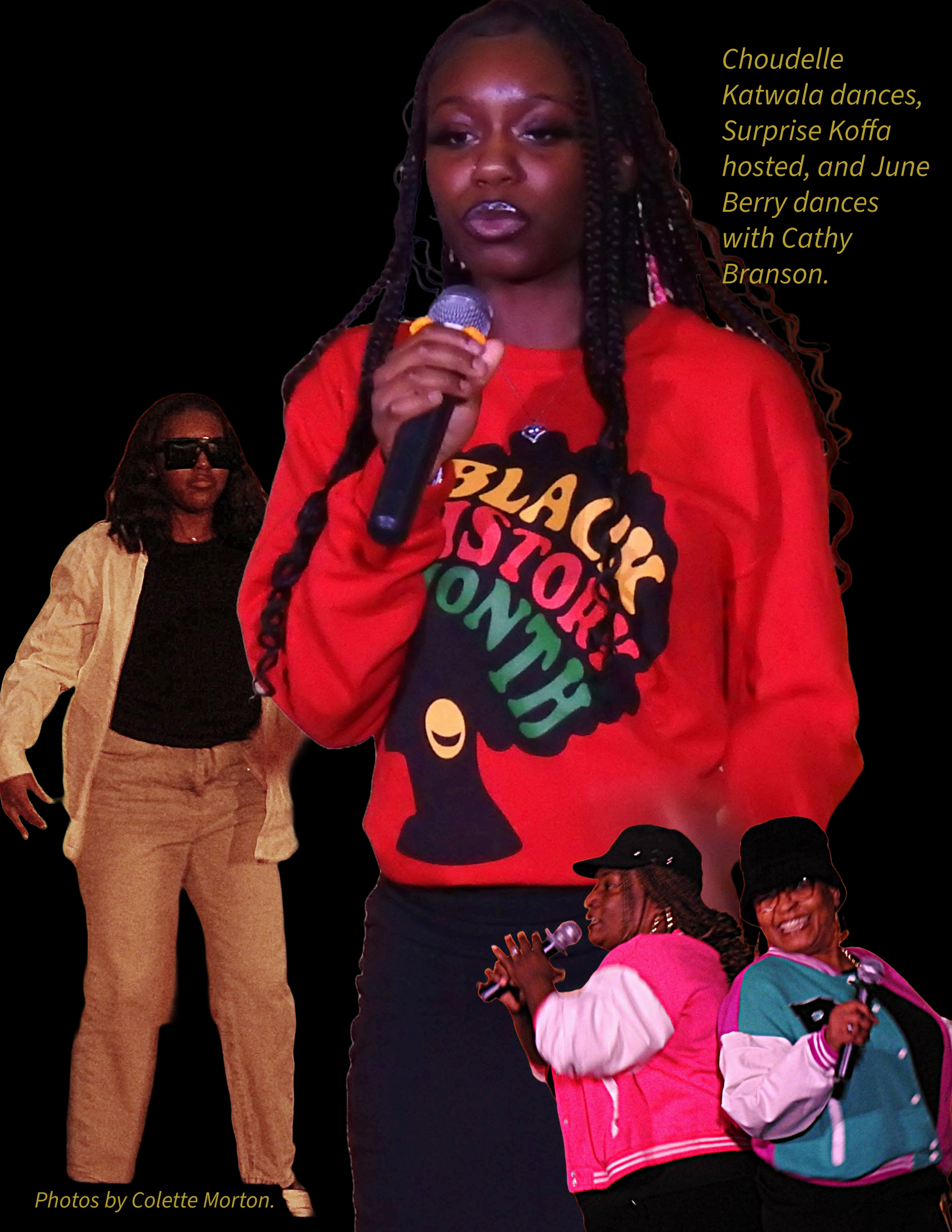


Left: Sylvia Knox recites "This is Not a Small Voice" by Sonia Sontag. Bottom: Aiden Brandes plays and sings "Hit the Road Jack" by Ray Charles.



*Photos by Colette Morton.*

*Choudelle  
Katwala dances,  
Surprise Koffa  
hosted, and June  
Berry dances  
with Cathy  
Branson.*



*Photos by Colette Morton.*



*Rhoda G is a self-taught saxophonist from St. Louis, Missouri. She has been playing the saxophone for 30 years and is considered one of the most popular saxophonists in St. Louis.*

*Photo by William Colston.*

*Aminah Taylor dances to Strange Fruit.*

*Photo by Colette Morton.*





Nadia Ball was  
a convincing  
Janet Jackson.

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Ruby  
Bridges  
(Amorii  
Walker)  
shakes Tylin  
Moore's  
hand.

*Photos by Colette Morton.*





Top: Mekel Taylor speaks as The Notorious B.I.G. as Ayanna Blanchard listens. Right: Naome Davis and Lin Chillers dress as Serena and Venus Williams. Photos by Colette Morton.





Syncare Patton, Daisheneh Perry, Kayla Taylor, Trey Shelton, Nyla Hampton, Surprise Koffa, Mariah Macon, Emani Gardine, and Erika Johnson dance on Friday, March 1st.

# Black Bros Dance 1

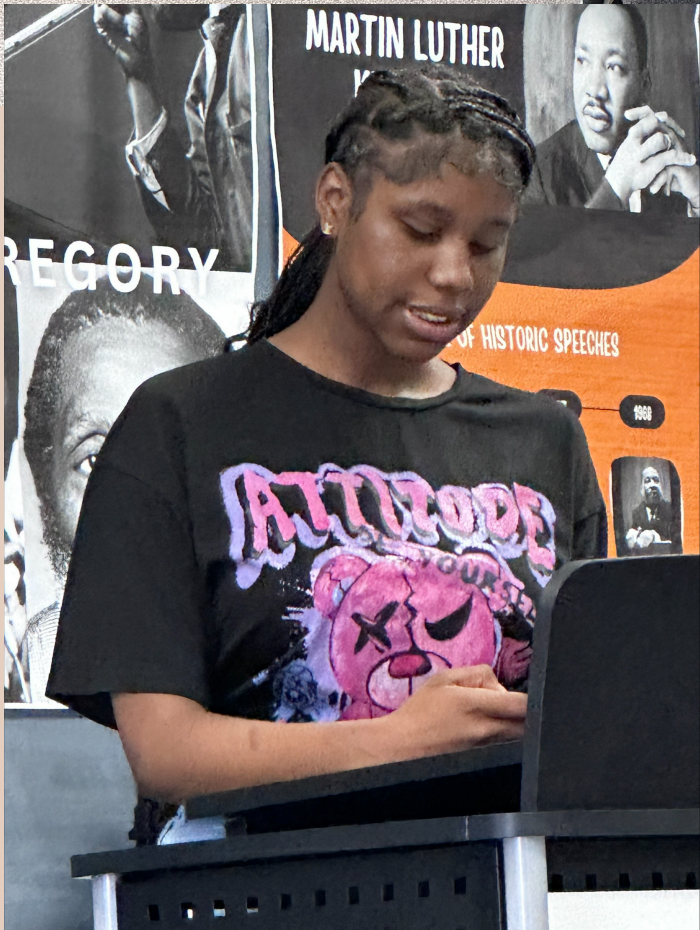
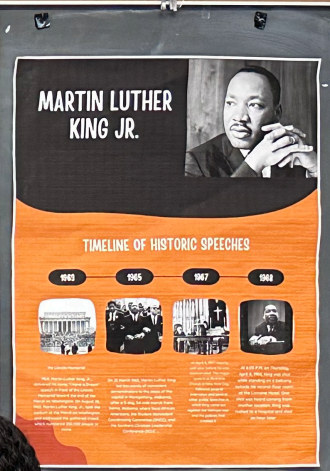
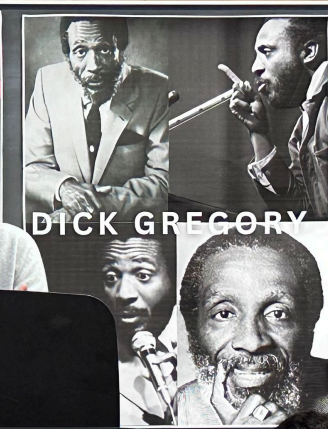
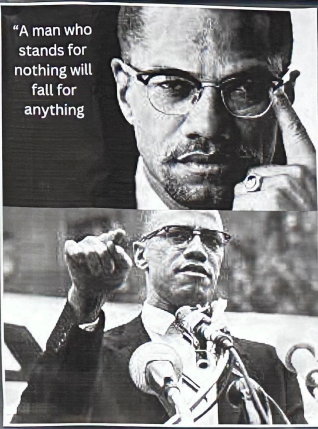
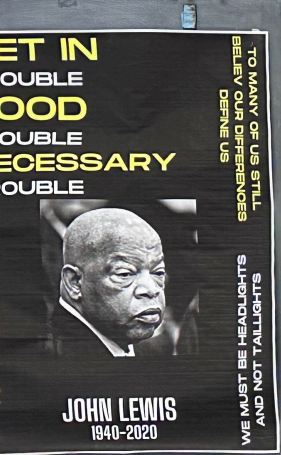


Sitalha Lunga, Trey Shelton, Kayla Taylor, Lin Chillers and Nyla Hampton enjoy the afternoon. *Photos by Colette Morton.*



Above top row:  
William Colston,  
Joseph Schramm,  
Nhi Nguyen, and  
Alina Khadka  
Chhetri. Above  
bottom row: Fatima  
Mahmodi, Jennifer  
Pham, Ashley  
Nguyen, Daisheneh  
Perry, and Sitalha  
Lunga enjoy their  
free time.

Left: Kenneth West  
looks on as the DJ  
spins music.



# Speeches in Black History

Ms. Scarborough's Speech class recited pieces of famous speeches from leaders in the African American community.

Top: Amari Guy and Diamond Bryson speak to the crowd. Left: Aniya Chatman gives her speech.

Photos by Colette Morton.



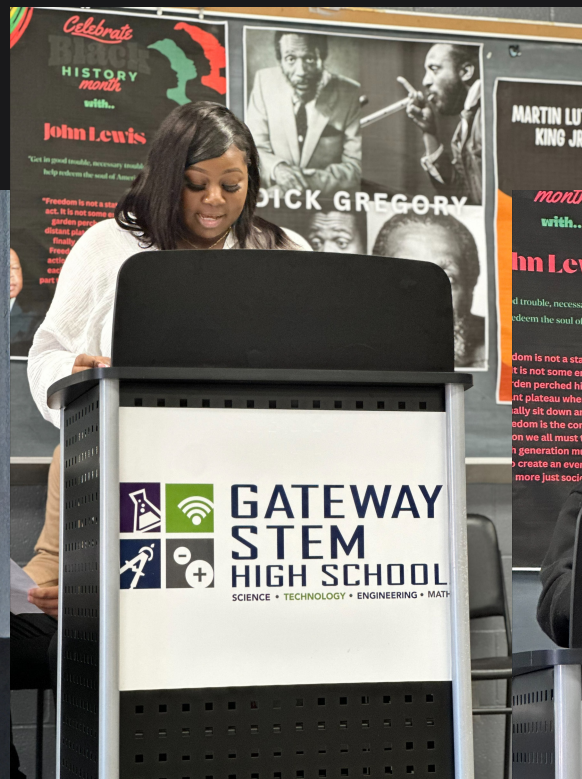
Left: Emily Sanchez-Leyva speaks as Indra Dura waits to present. Bottom: Esta Mwamba shines in front of the crowd.

Posters were created by students.

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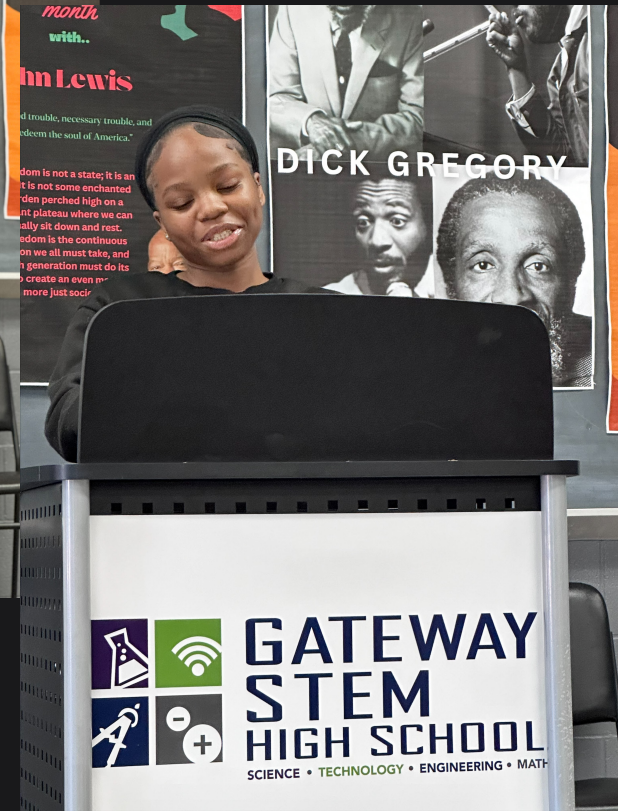


Nia Gutierrez  
Hernandez



Zoyia Catching

Esta Mwamba



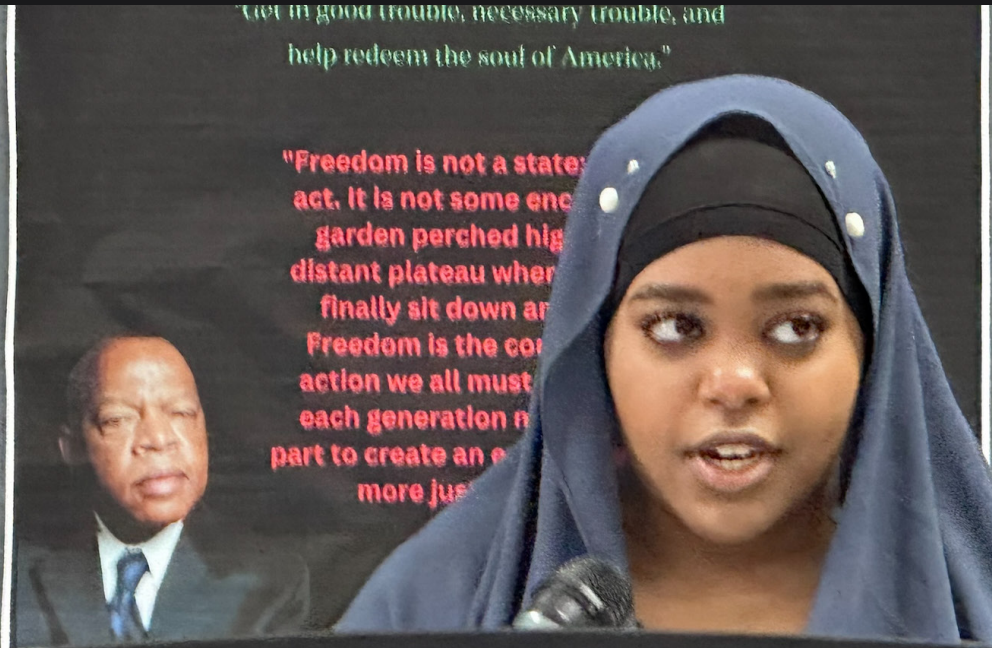
# Krista Sanders and Kirasten Banks



# Erik Moras-Escamilla



# Kasimira Braggs



# Juan Washington and Sarah Yusef give their speech.

**AYRANNA BLANCHARD READS**

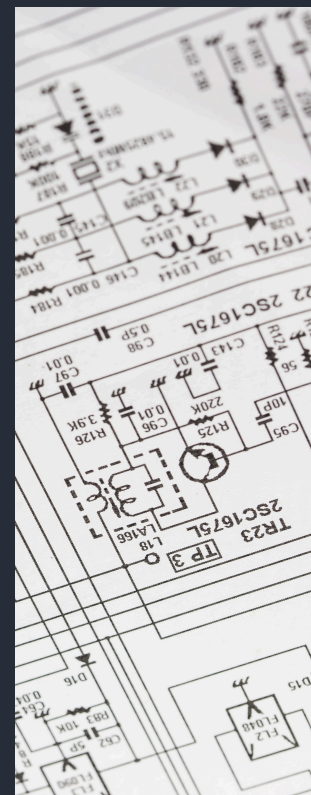
**The Hate U Give  
by Angie Thomas**

**Photo by Colette Morton**



On February 23, five students from our Project Lead the Way engineering classes were chosen to represent Gateway STEM at the annual PLTW Engineering Design Challenge. Our team competed against 11 other high schools (18 teams total) at the Florissant Valley campus of Saint Louis Community College to see who could design the best structure to withstand a potential earthquake. The structures had to be built by students without any adult input, then tested on a shaker table designed to mimic the forces a building would experience in an earthquake. Our team did a great job at the competition! Their building survived the test without collapsing or falling off the shaker!

PLTW



Story and photo by Brian House.





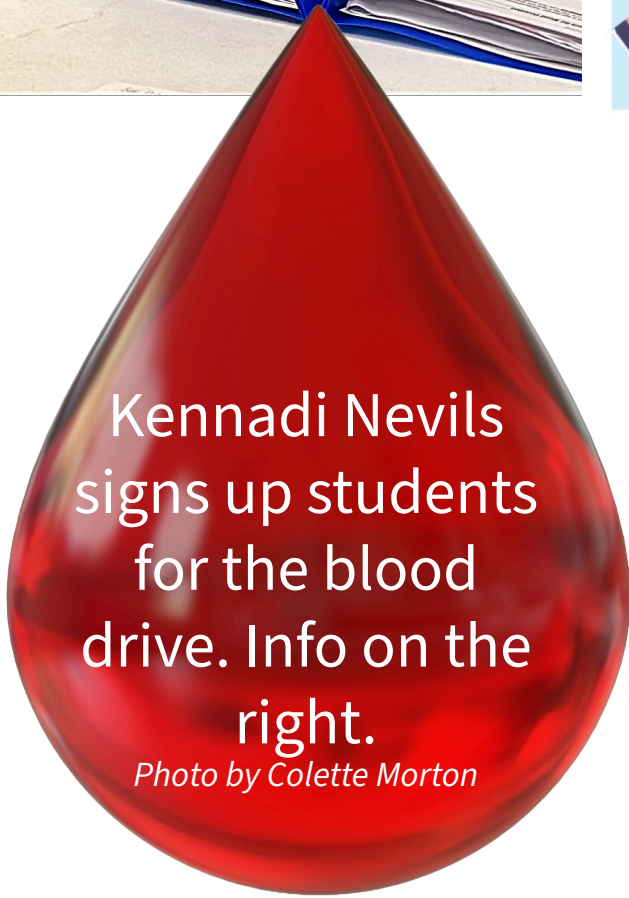
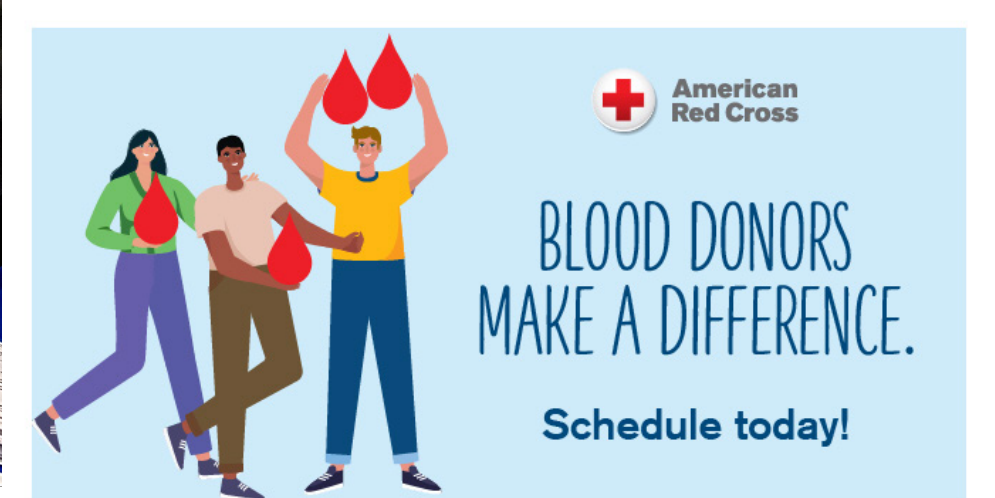
Kingston Porter Jones is a three-year-old Prapso, purebred Shih Tzu that has a different appearance from the typical Shih Tzu. He is a Taurus, enjoys long walks in the park and long naps. He loves to snuggle and hates to eat alone. He has fun in the craft store and pet shop. Kingston knows when the mail carrier delivers his BarkBox. He is a traveler and struts though the airport with pride. Kingston is dedicated to his mom and serves as an emotional support dog. Everyone loves Kingston wherever he goes.

## Kingston Porter Jones

*Photos by Ermira Rexhepi.*



Alina Khadka Chhetri holds Kingston.



Kennadi Nevils signs up students for the blood drive. Info on the right.

*Photo by Colette Morton*

**Blood Drive**  
**Gateway High School**

Assembly Room 117 East  
5101 McRee  
Saint Louis, MO 63110

**Thursday, March 7, 2024**  
**8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: GatewayHS to schedule an appointment.

Come to give March 1-24 for a \$10 e-gift card to a pet supply merchant of choice! Give blood, treat your pet & make a paw-sitive impact this spring. PLUS automatically be entered for a chance to win a \$3K gift card (5 winners)! Terms: [rcblood.org/Pets](https://rcblood.org/Pets).



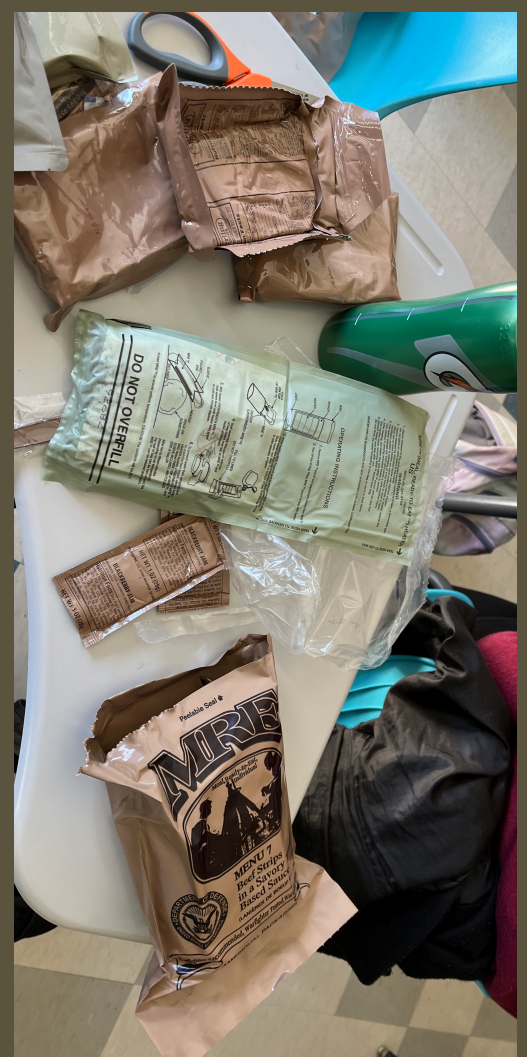
# MIRE

Top: Sergeant First Class Williams is the army recruiter who spoke as Jack Anthony looked on. Tywan Brooks helps Rony Soto Flores as Savion Day works as Octavio Ramirez.

*Photo by Colette Morton.*

Right: Opened MREs.

*Photo by Joseph Schramm.*



TaNiesha Hamilton  
and Kerri Mack are

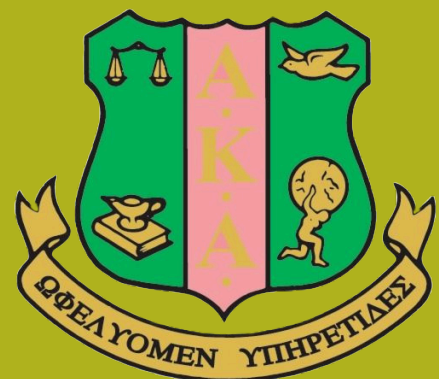
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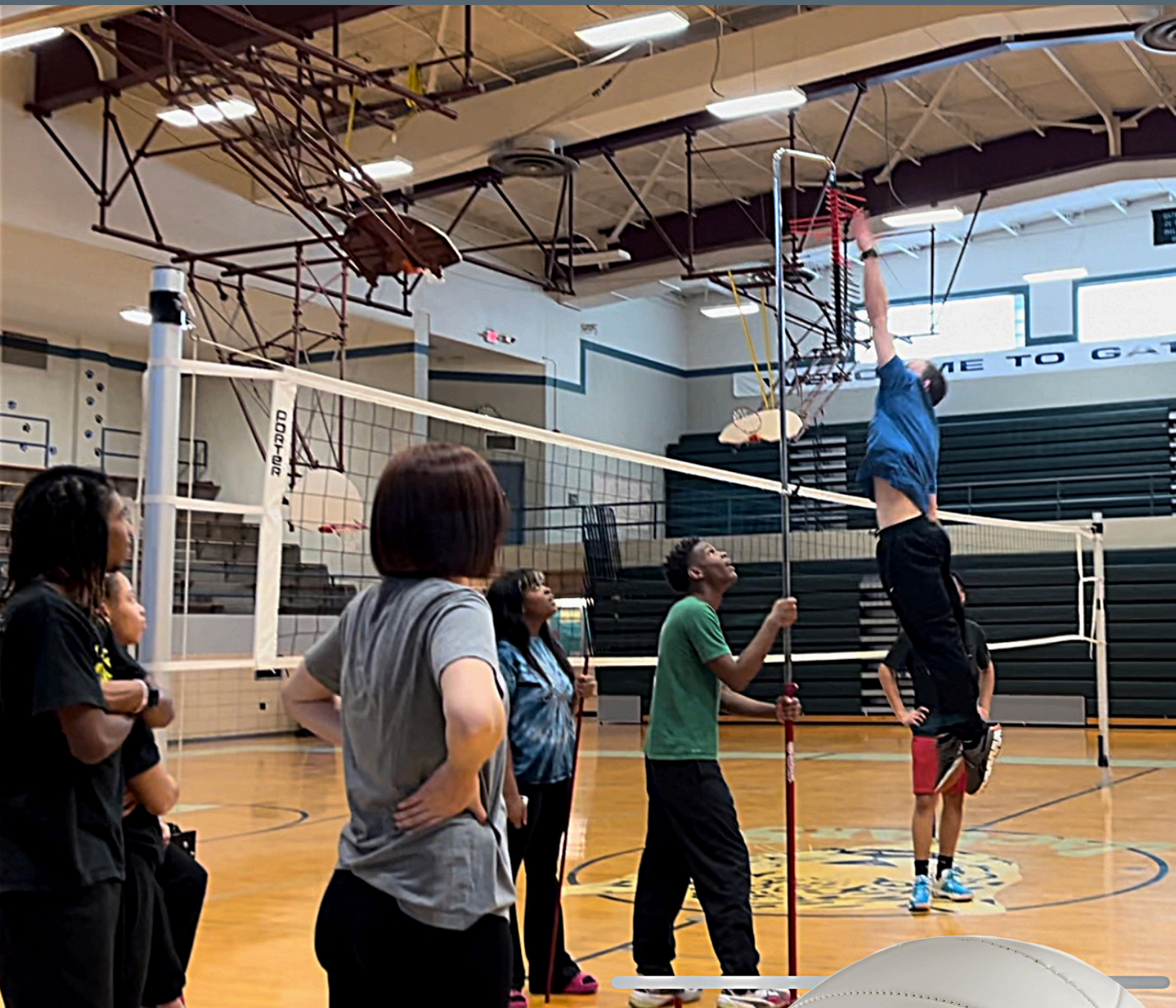


TaNiesha Hamilton and Kerri Mack spoke to  
the Gateway Dance Team about being an  
AKA.

Top: Aminah Taylor, Kyndall Brown, Emani  
Gerdine, Akyra Mosby, Kirasten Banks,  
Hamilton, Tenaya Wright, Kerri Mack, Tajae  
Redden, Krista Sanders, Ahlaesia Qawee,  
and Miirecal Terry.

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# BOYS Volleyball

Trey Shelton, Alyssa Bass, Morgan Kemp, Journey Shorter-Riggs and Hasani Kelley watch Sean Kenny touch the top of a pole during volleyball practice.

*Photo by Joseph Schramm.*





Top: Eric Bland stretches during practice.

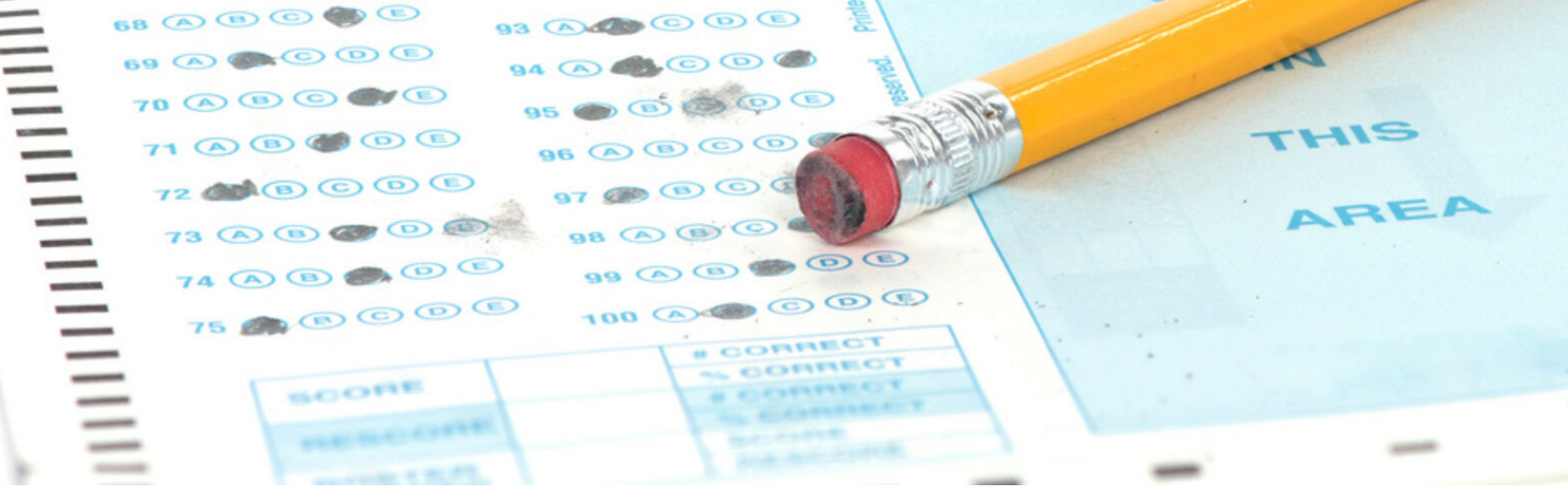
Bottom: Koren Whitehead plays catch with Eric Bland.

*Photos by Colette Morton.*



# JAGUAR BASEBALL SEASON BEGINS





# Need Help with the ACT?

See Mr. Mitchell  
every Tuesday in  
room 421N from  
2:10 to 5:00 p.m.

Students who are  
playing school sports  
or who have their  
own transportation  
do not have to stay  
the entire time!

ACT  
21 Club:



Jonathan  
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**Want to attend a sporting event?  
Buy a ticket online!**

Scan the phone for tickets!



## **Submissions!**

Did you take an awesome photo you would like to see in the newsletter? Send your submissions to Colette Morton at [colette.morton@slps.org](mailto:colette.morton@slps.org)

# **JROTC Fundraiser**

**When: 2:07pm - 3pm Everyday!**

**Where: JROTC Wing room 117**

**Payment: Cash Only!!!**

**What we sell: all kinds of snacks**

**Scan the QR code if you have any recommendations**



**GATORADE**



Is there an event that is coming up that you would like to see in the newsletter?

Let me know!