Senior Spotlight

Traeven Lutton

By DELA ROBINSON

Traeven Lutton was born August 6, 1996 in Blytheville, Arkansas. He is the son of Tankis and Chris Young and Marita and Keelie Lutton. His siblings are Kevin, Dequnia, Mar and Almyra Amen.

Traeven is a part of the GIS track team. He enjoys playing the guitar, drums and spending time with his girlfriend, Keilani.

One word to describe Traeven is funny. “Most people that know me claim I’m the funniest guy you’ll ever meet. Most people say I should become an actor.”

His advice to freshmen is “Stay focused and have fun while you can because senior high school years will fly by within a flash and if you have a dream that you want to fulfill, go for it and never give up.” Traeven’s favorite thing about being a senior is “Writing skipping day. No more test thank God! And you get to see more like an adult when you’re a senior and I like that.”

Traeven says, “Senior high school, I’m happy in a way not somewhere and because it all came so late.”

After high school Traeven plans to attend ANC, for 2 years then go into the workforce.

Throughout high school, Traeven’s best friends have been Darick Inter, Ty Bryant and Braideness Cross.

Brasaid said, “Me and Traeven are sort of like brothers I could just do the same thing for him. If ever you see us together we are just laughing nonstop because we are both goofy.”

Secondary School receives Dollar General grant

By COURTNEY YPAA

This fall the Dollar General Literacy Foundation Awarded Gosnell Secondary School a $2,500 grant to support their Literacy Program.

“GSH Librarian Mrs. Wals commented, “I look forward to developing reading groups using this grant money to assure our students are reading on grade level.”

“With this grant students will learn and grow,” said Courtney Ypaa. “The grant money will go towards buying new books for our students to read on their own.”

Career readiness discussed

By PETTON SULLINS

Twenty-six-year-old Clarens, former General High School alumnus who graduated with the class of 1997, spoke to students about internships and career and college readiness classes on Tuesday, October 20th. He spoke about his job and the impact it has on others.

Clarens became interested in criminal justice several years ago and now he works for Arkansas Community Correction. Located in Arkansas, he is a treatment-based program.

“A career counselor at working at a facility where drug dealers are housed, his experiences have allowed him to share with students some of the problems including physical, mental, emotional, social and educational implications of carrying drugs and its effect on society as well,” says Janice Horton, Career counselor at Gosnell and supervisor of the Gosnell Internship Program.

Clarens commented that his experience has in a way left a negative background, through their choices they make and the attitudes that they develop, travel you completely different roads in life, he said. “We need circumstances, our experiences shape who we are.”

Clarens discussed how important attitude is and its impact on others around you. He emphasizes that what you do every day leaves an impression of who you are, and what you are about. He also informs students on the importance of focusing and attending to detail in all aspects of work.”

He added, “Students from their class are very interested in this program. I think Clarens has in an interesting way shared his experiences which has helped others and make a difference in lives.”

Horton commented, “What a wonderful opportunity he has found in his job mission to help others and make a difference for kids.”

Clarens also shared his with students what a typical day of incarceration is like. “I hope that it will cause many to rethink the path they are on and make determination to turn their lives around.”

Horton says, “Clarens commented that every day he bleeds and he feels that he has positive influences in their lives. In 1995, he added, he came to the school and choose the road that he has been. “I am grateful for my journey through life,” I’m impressed and very thankful that he thought of my students and wanted to ‘give back’ by offering to use his time and speak to them about the danger of drugs, my work experience, and their futures,” says Horton.