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SCA Seniors Ashley Blue and Nelson Walters

Father, son injured



Choctaw Sun photo by Tommy Campbell

Rescue personnel work to extricate Carl Freeman, Sr., from the cab of his demolished pickup truck.

Wreck traps dad, son climbs out, goes for help

By Tommy Campbell
The Choctaw Sun

TOXEY — A one-vehicle accident Saturday evening injured a local man and his son when the pickup truck in which they were riding left the road and overturned, narrowly missing a small stream that the truck sailed over before coming to rest in a wooded area.

According to State Troopers, Carl Freeman and his son, Carl Freeman, Jr., were injured. Mr. Freeman remained in a Meridian hospital as of Monday afternoon, according to information received by the *Sun*.

the wrecked 1993 Ford and made his way to a nearby residence to get help.

The mishap occurred about 9 p.m. on CR 9 at the intersection of the Melvin Cutoff Road west of Toxey.

Assisting were members of the Gilbertown Police Department, Toxey Police Department, Choctaw Co. Sheriff's Department, Gilbertown Vol. Fire Department, Gilbertown Jaws of Life® unit, Choctaw EMS Ambulance unit, Choctaw Emergency Management Agency, Alabama State Troopers, and dispatchers with the Choctaw E-911 Dispatch Center.

State Trooper Chuck Gilliland was the investigating officer.

The Town of Coffeerville will host Open House at Town Hall (160 River Street, East) on Sunday, March 25 from 2-4 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Drug suspect back in jail

By Tommy Campbell
The Choctaw Sun



Choctaw Sun file photo by Tommy Campbell
Daniel Rouse is shown here in a photo snapped after he was taken into custody following an incident near Lavaca on Aug. 18, 2006.

BUTLER — An Elmore County man who ran afoul of the law in Choctaw County last summer is back in jail ... arrested this time the very week that he was here for a court appearance in the previous case stemming from an incident that occurred in August of 2006.

Butler Chief of Police Chuck Breland and Choctaw Co. Sheriff James Lovette said that Daniel Rouse, 48, of 1578 South Fleahop Road, Eclectic, was arrested on March 14th after he was allegedly seen tossing from his vehicle a container thought to contain illegal drugs, and was chased into Butler by a man who had allowed him to work in his business, ending with a scuffle in the yard of a Butler residence.

Breland said his department received a call of a disturbance that reportedly involved illegal narcotics. When officers arrived on the scene, they found Rouse and Johnson involved in a scuffle in the back yard of Tommy Thompson, on South Mulberry Street in Butler. Breland said to the best of his knowledge, no one at the Thompson residence was involved in the incident.

"It just somehow ended up in that yard," he said.

Johnson, who spoke to the *Sun* on Monday evening, said that, according to

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Choctaw Sun photo by Tommy Campbell

Emergency medical personnel with LifeFlight helicopter ambulance service prepare to load Anthony Giles onto the chopper for transport to a Mobile hospital.

Five injured in pre-dawn wreck Saturday

By Tommy Campbell
The Choctaw Sun

ARARAT — An early-morning accident Saturday

resulted in injuries to the driver and four passengers in a vehicle that ran off CR 23 (Ararat Road) near the foot of

Callis Mountain and flipped end-over-end into a ditch.

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