



CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

530-897-4900

Type of Incident: Felony Hit and Run
Location of Incident: W. 5th Street at Orange Street
Date/Time Occurred: 9-15-2016 at 0147 hours
Date/Time of Arrest: 9-15-2016 at 0610 hours
Incident Case Number: 16-7048
Victim: Names: Withheld
Suspect: Polly Williams – 66 year old out of state resident

Narrative: At 0147 hours, Chico Police were called to the intersection of W. 5th and Orange Streets regarding a vehicle versus pedestrian collision. Upon arrival, Officers learned that the vehicle that struck the pedestrian had fled the scene. The pedestrian, who was struck as he legally crossed the street, was a 21 year old Butte College student. Witnesses reported seeing the suspect vehicle park close by and the female driver flee on foot. The driver was last seen toting a rolling suitcase as she boarded the Amtrak train. The train had left as Officers arrived on scene. We learned that the registered owner of the vehicle had in fact, boarded the train. Efforts were coordinated between Chico Police, Amtrak Officials, and Redding Police. The Amtrak train was stopped in Redding and Williams was located and detained. Chico Police met with Redding Officers where Williams voluntarily agreed to return to Chico. During our investigation, Williams admitted to being the driver of the vehicle and fleeing the scene. Williams was arrested and later posted bond to appear in court. The pedestrian was transported to a local hospital where he was listed in serious but stable condition.

Supervisor: **Watch Commander:** Lt. T. McKinnon
Prepared By: Sgt. Todd Lefkowitz **Date/Time:** 9-15-2016 0815 hrs.