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News Release

Ark City female arrested on suspicion of aggravated battery

Gaskill accused of striking pedestrian with vehicle, leaving accident scene

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan. (May 8, 2017) — The Arkansas City Police Department arrested an Arkansas City woman Saturday after she allegedly struck a male pedestrian with her vehicle and fled the scene.

Jamie Lee Gaskill, 31, was arrested on suspicion of felony aggravated battery. She was transported to and booked into the Cowley County Jail in lieu of \$10,000 bond through Cowley County District Court in Arkansas City. She since has posted bond and been released.

Police were dispatched at 7:59 p.m. Saturday to the 400 block of South Eighth Street for a report of a car-pedestrian accident. The pedestrian who was struck had walked to a nearby house to report it.

A witness reported seeing a vehicle back out of a driveway and onto the street as the victim crossed in front of the vehicle. The vehicle then accelerated and struck the man, causing him to go over the hood and front left fender. He fell to the ground and the vehicle sped off, but he was able to walk to the house.

Police interviewed the victim, who reported nothing had occurred and said he was fine.

Further investigation determined that Gaskill was the driver of the vehicle. She was contacted later.

Gaskill's vehicle was examined and evidence consistent with a person having been struck by the vehicle was found. She subsequently was taken into custody in connection with the incident.

A defendant's guilt or innocence is to be determined by a court of law.

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