

BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE MEDIA RELEASE

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On February 2, 2012, at approximately 8:45 PM, Butte County Sheriff's Deputy Dan Angel attempted to make a traffic stop at 12th Street and Hazel Street in Chico on a Mercury Cougar for a traffic violation. The vehicle sped off and shortly thereafter attempted to make a turn at Broadway and 12th Street, in which the vehicle spun all the way around, facing Deputy Angel's patrol car. The driver of the vehicle then punched the gas and rammed into the front of the patrol vehicle. The driver of the Cougar got out and started running east bound on 12th Street, with Deputy Derek Ament (who was riding with Deputy Angel) in foot chase.

A female was in the passenger side of the Cougar. As Deputy Angel attempted to pull the female out of the vehicle, she attempted to stab him with a fixed blade knife. Deputy Angel did not receive any injury and the female was taken into custody.

The female taken into custody was 25 year old Stephania Gulbranson. Ms. Gulbranson was booked on charges of assault with a deadly weapon, obstructing a peace officer and possession of hashish. The driver of the vehicle was not captured. Authorities are currently seeking 25 year old Travis Farrell in connection with the incident.