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## **Bay Shore Hit and Run suspect pleads not guilty**

An Islip Terrace man who allegedly fled the scene after running down a teenage pedestrian in Bay Shore pleaded not guilty at his arraignment today on a five count indictment, Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota said.

On May 15<sup>th</sup> the victim, 18-year old James Vaughn of Bay Shore, was crossing Fifth Avenue when he was struck by a pickup truck driven by Alfred Buckman.

Vaughan suffered a serious head injury and broken bones.

Buckman, 51, of 14 Lorigan Street, Bay Shore, pleaded not guilty to leaving the scene of an incident without reporting, aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, failure to stop at a red light and operating an unregistered motor vehicle.

The defendant is incarcerated in lieu of \$75,000 bond.



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