



Lady Lake Police Department

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UPDATE

June 10, 2016

Austin Stevens, 27, of Fruitland Park died from injuries he sustained as a result of the altercation on June 5th. An autopsy was conducted and his death was ruled a homicide. On June 10, 2016, detectives from the Lady Lake Police Department arrested and charged Brice Hall, 19, of Weirsdale with Manslaughter, and Nicholas Metcalfe, 18, of Belleview with Felony Battery for their involvement in Stevens' Death.

The investigation revealed that on June 5, 2016, Hall, Metcalfe and two friends drove a minivan to the vicinity of Spanish Springs Town Square. While there, they proceeded to drive recklessly, speeding around the square and spinning tires in the parking lots. When the group drove by McCall's Tavern where victim Stevens was working, they proceeded to yell profanities at employees cleaning the patio area. When the group parked the minivan near Too Jay's Restaurant, Stevens left McCall's Tavern to confront them. While confronting two of the van occupants, Brice Hall ran up behind Stevens and punched Stevens on the side of his head causing Stevens to fall to the ground and strike the back of his head on the concrete. While on the ground and unresponsive Nicholas Metcalfe kicked Stevens in the face.

When officers arrived on scene, Stevens was alert, mobile, and coherent. Officers observed Stevens to have a bloody nose and they called for an ambulance. Stevens agreed to go the hospital and get checked out but he refused to make a statement about the incident. After being evaluated at the Villages Hospital, it was determined that his injuries were more severe than originally thought and he was transferred to the trauma center at Ocala Regional Hospital where he eventually succumbed to his injuries.

The investigation is complete and no other suspects are outstanding.

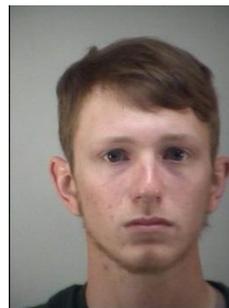
Name: Brice Hall

No Photo Available

Age: 19

Address: Weirsdale, FL

Charge: Manslaughter



Name: Nicholas Metcalfe

Age: 18

Address: Belleview, FL

Charge: Felony Battery

If you have information regarding this crime, please contact the Lady Lake Police Department at 352-751-1565. If you wish to remain anonymous, call The Central Florida Crimeline toll free at 1-800-423-TIPS (8477) or online at crimeline.org.

