



Chief of Police Thomas S. Morse Jr.

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UPDATE-SHOOTING ON 69TH AVE

Update:

Yesterday, Baton Rouge Police Officers responded to 4343 Denham Street (Spanish Arms Apartments) regarding an unresponsive juvenile hospice patient. Officers soon learned that JOSHUA KELLY JR. (5) had succumbed to his injuries as a result of a shooting incident that took place earlier this year on March 20, 2024. This is still an ongoing investigation.

Original (March 20, 2024)

Baton Rouge Police Homicide Detectives have apprehended ARIEANA SCOTT, aged 22, earlier this evening, in connection with a shooting incident that took place around 9:27 am this morning at 2212 69th Ave.

Regrettably, Scott's 4-year-old son gained access to an illicitly modified handgun and sustained a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The victim has been urgently transported to a local hospital and is currently in critical condition.

Subsequently, Scott has been formally charged with several offenses. These include Improper Supervision of a Minor by a Parent, Possession of a Firearm by a Person Convicted of Certain Felonies, Possession with the Intent to Distribute Schedule 1 Drugs, Possession of a Firearm in the Presence of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, as well as Possession of a Machine Gun. Following her arrest, Scott has been incarcerated in the East Baton Rouge Parish Prison.

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