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SHOOTING ON BEN HUR

Update 04-20-16

While waiting for the preliminary ballistics report to be complete, detectives encourage anyone with any knowledge or information regarding this ongoing investigation to contact the Violent Crimes Unit at 389-4869 or Crime Stoppers at 344-7867.

Update 04-10-16

ERNEST BERNARD FELTON, 22 of 3865 Day Avenue, Miami, Florida has been arrested on charges of Attempted 2nd Degree Murder and Illegal Use of a Weapon in connection with the shooting of the 24 year old male victim. While individuals gathered at a social function, 777 Ben Hur Drive, gunfire was exchanged between FELTON and the male victim, the driver of a Chevrolet Cobalt, as the vehicle pulled up to the complex. Investigators believe this gunfire exchange was a result from a previous altercation. During the exchange of gunfire BENTON and JANUARY were struck.

Investigators are awaiting results of ballistic analysis to determine who is responsible for the shooting death of BENTON and JANUARY.

FELTON was later booked into the East Baton Rouge Parish Prison on charges of Attempted 2nd Degree Murder and Illegal Use of a Weapon.

Update 04-10-16

The two female victims who died from apparent gunshot injuries have been identified as LASHUNTAE BENTON, 19 of 3408 Monroe Street, Lake Charles, LA., and ANNETTE JANUARY, 19 of 724 Polk Street, Gary, Indiana.

Anyone with any information is urged to contact the Violent Crimes Unit at 389-4869 or Crime Stoppers at 344-7867.

Original 04-10-16

Baton Rouge Police Detectives are investigating a shooting which occurred early this morning around 2:00am at 777 Ben Hur Drive.

Two Southern University students, both 19 years of age, died from apparent gunshot injuries. One was pronounced dead on scene and the other died at a local hospital. Along with the two deceased, a 24 year old male victim was also struck by the shots and transported to a local hospital with non life threatening injuries at the time. The families of the victims have been notified, but the names are being withheld at this time pending this ongoing investigation.

There are no known suspects or motives at this time.

Anyone with any information is urged to contact the Violent Crimes Unit at 389-4869 or Crime Stoppers at 344-7867.

Additional information will be forthcoming as it becomes available.

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