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Police arrest two involved in homicide at Halloween party

Police Chief will be available at police headquarters at 1:30 p.m.

Howard County police arrested two men overnight and charged them in the shooting death of a man at a Halloween party in Columbia early Sunday morning.

Devin, a.k.a. "Devon," O'Brian Dixon, 22, of 8014 Paul Martin Drive in Elkridge, was charged with the murder of Aaron Brice and the attempted murder of Nathaniel Quick, who may be paralyzed as a result of his injury.

Dean Schroyer, 21, also of 8014 Paul Martin Drive in Elkridge, was charged as an accessory to the murder after the fact and a drug violation.

Police received multiple calls from partygoers at a home in the 11500 block of Manorstone Lane around 1:15 a.m. Nov. 1 indicating that shots had been fired at the residence.

Police responded to the scene and found more than 100 people at the house. They located Brice deceased in the driveway and Quick suffering from a gunshot wound in the basement. Investigators spent hours talking to partygoers and gathering information about the incident.

Through investigation, detectives received information that identified Dixon as the shooter and Schroyer as the driver of the car in which Dixon fled from the party after the shooting. Detectives believe an unknown altercation may have lead to the shooting.

Investigators served a search warrant at the suspects' home and seized a handgun that may have been used in the shooting. Police also seized approximately three pounds of marijuana, leading to a drug possession charge for Schroyer.

Dixon was charged with murder, attempted murder, and assault, and is being held at the Howard County Detention Center on no bond. Schroyer was charged with being an accessory to murder after the fact and drug possession, and is being held at the same detention center on \$50,000 bond.

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Editor's Note: Police Chief William McMahan will hold a press briefing at 1:30 p.m. today at Howard County Police Headquarters, 3410 Court House Drive in Ellicott City.