Tioga County Sheriff's Office

From Sheriff Gary W. Howard

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On March 22, 2023, the Tioga County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division arrested 32 year old Kanishka K. Singh of Spencer, New York for Vehicular Manslaughter 2nd degree, a class D felony, and Driving While Intoxicated with Blood Alcohol Concentration .08% or Greater, an unclassified misdemeanor. The arrest stemmed from the investigation of a head-on collision which occurred at about 4:27 PM on February 13, 2023 on State Route 96 in near East Spencer Road in the Town of Spencer. Singh was operating a 2014 Audi A4 westbound on State Route 96 when his vehicle crossed the centerline of the roadway, entered the eastbound lane and struck a 2007 Pontiac Grand Prix operated by 43 year old Daniel J. Kaczynski of Endicott, NY. Both drivers suffered serious injuries and were transported to Robert Packer Hospital. Kaczynski died on February 18, 2023 as a result of injuries sustained in the crash. Singh is accused of operating a motor vehicle, while having a blood alcohol content greater than .08%, and causing the motor vehicle crash which resulted in Kaczynski's death. Singh was arraigned in Tioga County CAP Court by Justice Dawn Olsen and remanded to the Tioga County Jail on \$10,000 cash bail or \$50,000 property bond. Singh was later released after bail was posted for him. Singh is due to appear in the Spencer Town Court before Justice Michael Roy on April 20, 2023 at 4:00 PM.

The Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Candor Fire Department, Candor Emergency Squad, Spencer Fire Department, Spencer EMS, Campville Fire Department, Greater Valley EMS, Guthrie Air, Tioga County Emergency Management and the New York State Department of Transportation. The New York State Police and Tioga County District Attorney's Office also assisted with the investigation.

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