

Breadsprings man arrested for murder

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ALBUQUERQUE – Troy Livingston, 18, an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation who lives in Breadsprings, made his initial appearance in federal court in Albuquerque April 8 on a criminal complaint of murder. The charge says he took the life of a Navajo woman with malice aforethought. His preliminary hearing and detention hearing, were scheduled for the following day.

The criminal complaint alleges that Livingston beat the victim to death with a flashlight and his feet at a residence in Breadsprings, on the Navajo Indian Reservation, April 6. According to the criminal complaint, the victim was Livingston's girlfriend.

If convicted, Livingston faces a statutory maximum sentence of life imprisonment.

The case was investigated by the Gallup office of the FBI and the Crownpoint office of the Navajo Nation Division of Public Safety. Assistant U.S. Attorney David P. Cowen is prosecuting the case.

Charges in criminal complaints are only accusations, and defendants are presumed innocent unless found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.