

GPD: Man stabbed, murdered along South Second Street

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A woman was arrested Sept. 21 after she reportedly confessed to police that she stabbed 22-year-old Kendrick Chee Smith, which resulted in his death.

Capt. Marinda Spencer, public information officer with the Gallup Police Department, said Brandie Allen, 24, was booked for one open count of murder, tampering with evidence, and aggravated assault.

She's being held at the McKinley County Adult Detention Center on a \$25,000 cash-only bond.

The stabbing occurred at about 5:30 pm Sept. 19 when two Native American men ambushed two brothers that were drinking "four Loko" behind Sundance Dental, 1601 S. Second St.

According to the victim's brother, Brandon Smith, 27, prior to the altercation they were visiting with a woman who told them that her name was "Cindy."

As they chatted with Cindy, now revealed as Allen, two men jumped out from behind bushes and started fighting with the brothers.

Brandon said that the woman stabbed his brother as the two men held him back.

Spencer said that Kendrick died of stab wounds, and his body was transported to Albuquerque

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for an autopsy.

“We are still gathering facts and interviewing witnesses,” Spencer said.

As of press time, Spencer did not clarify whether the two men were connected to the attack.

The two men are described as Native American, standing between 5’7” to 5’9” tall. Both are thin and have shaved heads. One of the men donned a white tank top and the other a grey shirt. One of the men was wearing eyeglasses with duct tape wrapped around the frame.

Second Street is frequented by street people, homeless folks, and those under the influence of various substances — and it’s not without its share of unfortunate happenings.

About two months ago, the body of a Native American man was found dead not far from the scene of the recent stabbing.

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