

Parolee rearrested for Murder



Sphiwe Makhanya who was out on parole before stabbing a 26 year-old man with a bottle

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THE 33-year-old man has been arrested for the murder of a

26-year-old manAccording to Alex police spokesperson, Captain Malatjie, the suspect heard that the police were looking for him when he handed himself to them on the 16 August.

“On the morning of 11 August, at about 01:00 AM in East Bank, a young man who has recently been released from prison on the 25th of June 2018 after serving a time in prison for armed robbery and signing parole conditions, has killed another youth. Apparently, the suspect bullied a group of youths at a tavern, telling them to respect and treat him with honor because he has graduated from the highest institution of manhood (prison). He was bragging about time he has served behind bars. He humiliated everyone else until another youth got fed up and told him to piss off.”

Malatjie said that the suspect broke the bottle and attacked the youth repeatedly and stabbed the victim on the neck before he ran away. “The deceased died on his way to a nearby clinic.”

Mob justice should stop– Captain Malatjie

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THE spokesperson of Alex Police, Captain Malatjie believes that mob justice can be stopped by the community. Malatjie spoke to us during our exclusive interview recently.

This follows a number of incidents reported to the police where angry community members took the law to their hands and apprehended culprits and then necklaced culprits. Mob justice is prevalent in place like Extension 7.

“With education you educate somebody who consciously knows what is supposed to be done, and what is not supposed to be done. Through education, we can make people account to the reactions that they take. I don’t think there could be someone who can take the life of someone. Even religiously, people have to be taught that it is evil before God. Your conscience will arrest you for a lifetime. People can be taught to self-



Captain Malatjie, the spokesperson of Alex Police, says no to mob justice

Pic: Jonk Mashamba

police and refrain from behaving in that kind of fashion.”

“No educated person can

pour petrol on someone, and light matches on somebody because he cannot live with it. He will be arresting himself for a lifetime.”

He said the spirit of ubuntu must be revived. “If we can instill the sense of ubuntu in people, they cannot see themselves committing such evil things.

“A human being can be changed. Mandela once said that hate is something that is being taught but love comes naturally with a human being.

“Evil is something that is reversible and with education we can reverse this anger and evilness inside somebody. God is not happy with the death of an evil person.”

He said every one was affected by crime in society. “We are creating a very big playground for criminals by this argument and why are we pointing fingers at the police. At the end of duty, we should be singing a song that was supposed to create hype in such a way that everybody knows that there is no space for criminalities in this country.

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