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TWO MEN FATALLY SHOT NEAR THE PHOENIX APARTMENTS

Two men were shot and killed and a third was wounded during an argument Wednesday night outside a fast-food restaurant near the Phoenix Midtown apartment complex across North Central Expressway from the SMU campus, according to Dallas police.

No SMU students were involved in the incident, which occurred in an area frequented by members of the campus community.

Two suspects are in custody in connection with the slayings that occurred about 10 p.m. Wednesday outside the Burger Street restaurant at 5657 East Mockingbird Lane near Greenville Avenue, police say.

According to police investigators, two men were sitting in a car in front of the Burger Street when they were approached by two suspects on foot. There was an argument and shots were fired. The suspects fled the scene but were later arrested in an apartment in the Phoenix, located at 5555 E. Mockingbird Lane. Police are trying to determine if the suspects lived in the Phoenix.

Protecting Yourself:

- Always be aware of your surroundings, especially in dark areas. Wearing headphones or talking on cell phones can compromise your ability to be aware.

- Avoid travelling alone, especially late at night.

- Sign up for a self-defense course by calling 214-768-2607. Such courses teach valuable techniques for getting away from an attacker.

- Report any crime or suspicious activity immediately by calling the police at 911. Time is of the essence in such situations.