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Pedestrian Killed on South Shore

77-year-old struck while crossing

Sun Staff Reports

An Oakland man died on Monday, May 9, when he succumbed to injuries he received when he was struck by a vehicle on Shore Line Drive the day prior.

Philip Byung Chan Lee, 77, was pronounced dead Monday after never regaining consciousness after the accident. The ordeal took place Sunday morning, May 8, around 11:35 a.m. on the 2200 block of Shore Line, according to police reports. Lee was attempting to cross the street on Shore Line from the beachfront toward South Shore Center when he was struck by a man driving a blue 1989 Toyota Corolla.

The motorist, 59, was an Alameda man travelling eastbound. Alameda police officers said the driver of the vehicle remained at the scene and was cooperative during the investigation. His name was not revealed.

Police believe the man was not intoxicated or impaired in any way. His vehicle was impounded for the investigation, where they will search if the car had a mechanical malfunction among other things.

Lee's body was transported to Highland Hospital after being struck. Lee succumbed to blunt head injuries, according to reports.

Contact Sun staff at editor@alamedasun.com.

Powell Convicted of Local Teens' Murders

Sun Staff Reports

An Oakland man was convicted in Alameda County Superior Court on Thursday, May 12, for the murders of two Alameda natives almost three years ago.

Diantay Powell, 21, was convicted of second-degree murder for then 16-year-old Bobbie Sartain and first-degree murder for then 15-year-old Raquel Gerstel.

The two girls were involved in relationships with Powell and Powell's friend Antonio Edwards, who was also at the scene of the shooting. The four, along with another man, were in a parked car along

Minna Avenue in Oakland at 5 a.m. on Nov. 25. Powell received a call from his girlfriend. After talking to his girlfriend, he demanded the girls get out of the car. When the girls refused an argument ensued, according to testimony from the third male, Quincy Carter.

Carter said Powell pulled Sartain out of the car, a struggle ensued, she slapped him and he later threw her to the ground. Gerstel tried to defend her friend, but then Powell grabbed his 9mm Beretta and shot Gerstel at close range. Sartain tried to run, but Powell caught up to her. Sartain begged Powell not to shoot her saying repeatedly, "I won't tell anybody," according to prosecutor Melissa Dooher. Powell shot her 13 times anyway.

Powell's sentencing is scheduled for July 29. He is expected to be sentenced to life without parole.

AUSD Teacher of the Year Award Given

Sun Staff Reports

Mandie Cline was named Alameda Unified Schools District's (AUSD) 2015-2016 teacher of the year Wednesday, May 11.

Cline is a kindergarten teacher at Ruby Bridges Elementary School. She has been at the school since 2006. According to the district, she was chosen for her passion for arts education, her dedication to community building and her deep support of her students as "whole children."

"It is an honor to be able to announce that Ms. Cline is our Teacher of the Year," said Superintendent Sean McPhetridge in a press release. "Her dedication, enthusiasm, and skill are an inspiration to us all."

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High School Shenanigans Planned

Dennis Evanosky

The Alameda Sun received a copy of an email that Encinal Junior and Senior High School Principal Kirsten Zazo sent to parents warning of scavenger hunts "that could involve illegal activities." Zazo stated in her email that high school students in both Oakland and Alameda were planning these hunts to "earn points for filming themselves performing a variety of dangerous and illegal activities in different locations in the East Bay."

Zazo also stated that the students plan to post these videos to social media.

"We believe engaging in this game poses grave dangers to our

students' physical safety," she stated. In addition, posting video of such behaviors poses risks to our students' online reputations and academic and professional futures.

Zazo assured the parents that "the district office and the Alameda Police Department are aware of this issue and working closely with high schools in the area to alert families of these reports." The Alameda Police Department (APD) also addressed the issue on its Facebook page.

APD posted a similar warning to its Facebook page. According to APD, "activity involves drinking, illegal drugs,

two car-garage and two or three stories of living space.

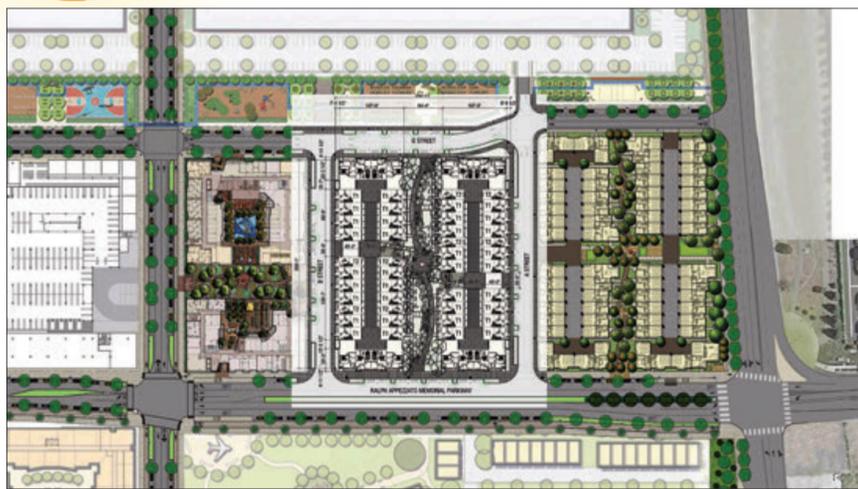
Block 7 includes 60 attached townhomes in a similar configuration as Block 6. The units are between 1,521 square feet and 2,357 square feet in size. Forty-four of the units have two-car private garages and 16 of the units have one-car private garages. All Block 6 and 7 units are three stories high.

Current concepts for Alameda Point's new gateway just west of Ralph Appezato Memorial Parkway (called West Atlantic Avenue inside the former Naval Air Station) and Main Street include a landscaped plaza on each corner of the West Atlantic Avenue on the

west side of Main Street. According to city staff, "These plazas will mark the entry into Alameda Point and the intersection of the north-south cycle track along Main Street and the east-west cycle track along West Atlantic/Ralph Appezato Memorial Parkway."

Plans also include a monument structure/bus stop that makes reference to the history of the Naval Air Station to mark the entry of the site. In addition staff is suggesting a large graphic or sign at Block 6 to mark the gateway. Staff suggests that the graphic or sign "makes reference to the history of Naval Air Station Alameda and relates to the graphics on the major hangers."

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City of Alameda

This map highlights the location of Block 6, left, and Block 7 along today's West Atlantic Avenue at Alameda Point. The city plans to rename the street Ralph Appezato Memorial Parkway, which already exists outside the former East Gate of the long-shuttered Alameda Naval Air Station.

Next Set of Point Plans Made Public

Workshop to discuss blocks 6, 7, street names May 23

Dennis Evanosky

Next Monday, May 23, the Planning Board will host a public workshop to discuss and hear public comment on blocks 6 and 7 at Alameda Point's Site A. In addition, the workshop will review the designs for West Atlantic Street (to become the western extension of Ralph Appezato Memorial Parkway) and the Point's new gateway. The board will also consider proposed street names for the side streets at Site A. The board will take no final actions at this meeting.

Block 6 includes 64 attached townhomes in 11 individual buildings of between four and eight units each. Each unit includes a private

explosive devices and sexual activity."

APD will be conducting zero tolerance enforcement. "This behavior is dangerous and illegal, and can negatively impact their lives for years to come," APD stated.



Courtesy photo

Kiwanis Awards Scholars

Sun Staff Reports

The Kiwanis Club of Alameda recently announced that it has awarded \$35,000 in scholarships to five high school students in Alameda. Kiwanis awarded the scholarships based on the students' submitted applications, their community involvement, educational factors and financial need. Parents and teachers attended a luncheon held at the Elks Club to honor the recipients.

Pictured above, Cheryl Saxton, Kiwanis president, far left, and Jim Franz, Kiwanis past president, far right, flank the scholarship recipients.

The students, left to right, are: Ibrahim Balde and Anca Hommert, both from Encinal High School; Winnie Zhou from the Alameda Community Learning Center; Tiffany Wong from Alameda High School and Rongjian Yu from Alameda Science & Technology Institute.

News in Brief

Sun Staff Reports

Bike to Work Day Results

According to event organizers for Alameda's Bike to Work Day, ridership at all five energizer stations increased by 5 percent this year. Volunteers with Bike Walk Alameda counted 1,294 cyclists at the energizer stations from 6:30 to 9 a.m. on May 12. "And, we had over 100 people attend the after party at Speisekammer," stated a source with Bike Walk Alameda. "We had an amazing Bike to School day event, too, with overflowing bike racks at local schools."

Deadline to Register Looms

The deadline to register to vote for the June 7 Presidential Primary Election is Monday, May 23. Alameda County residents must

be United States citizens, 18 years old and not in prison or on parole for the conviction of a felony to be eligible to register to vote.

Voter registration affidavits are available at the Registrar of Voters office and at libraries, fire stations and post offices.

Potential voters may also complete the registration form online at www.registertovote.ca.gov.

Completed affidavits must be delivered to the Registrar of Voters office at 1225 Fallon St., Room G-1, Oakland, CA 94612 or postmarked by May 23, in order to be valid for this election.

Voters can call the Registrar of Voters office at 272-6973 or 267-8683 or visit the Registrar's web-site at www.acgov.org/rov to check their voter registration status.



Farewell 'Miss June'

USS Hornet

June Idell Foster passed away on April 20. Her spirit lives on aboard the USS Hornet, however. A Bay Area native, Foster grew up in a military family and put her support behind military and veteran causes. This included contributing the funds to restore the Grumman TBM-3 Avenger torpedo bomber aboard the USS Hornet. During restoration volunteers painted the Avenger with the markings of VT-17, a squadron that fought from the deck of USS Hornet CV-12 during World War II. To thank Foster for her generosity, the Aircraft Carrier Hornet Foundation christened the restored aircraft "Miss June." You can visit Foster's legacy on the Hornet's hangar deck. The Hornet is berthed at 707 West Hornet Ave. at Alameda Point.