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Memorial photographs of MPD Officer Mary Anne Doyle-Borden (left) and Detective Kevin P. Mooney

Moraga Police Department 'memorial wall' honors two officers

By Vera Kochan

Although the narrow wall within the small lobby to the entrance of the Moraga Police Department doesn't have an official name, its new purpose could now be considered a "memorial wall."

Since MPD was formed in 1979, two officers have passed away while serving the community. The town did not lose them in the line of duty (which refers to being on actual duty at the time), but rather they were taken by illnesses while still a

member of the force.

A framed official, departmental photograph of Officer Mary Anne Doyle-Borden had originally hung within the "station" itself. Doyle-Borden joined MPD on Oct. 1, 1981. She passed away from a brain tumor on Oct. 6, 1988. Chief Jon King, while working for the East Bay Regional Park District, knew her in passing thanks to the occasions when their paths would cross. "She was an active officer working to protect our community and keep it safe. It was an incredible loss."

Detective Kevin P. Mooney began working for MPD on July 21, 2013, until he succumbed to a COVID-related illness on Aug. 21, 2021. "Kevin was an incredible guy," stated King. "He had a special spot for this town because he was a resident - absolute salt of the earth. He was a good cop for all of the right reasons."

King decided to honor both officers by putting their framed photos on the "memorial wall" where they are now visible to the public that they once served.

Letters to the editor

Lafayette Community Day shows our city at its best

Lafayette residents again showed the power of coming together on June 3rd during the 2nd annual Community Day. After coffee and bagels, and the annual Pride flag raising, dozens of volunteers joined teams to clean, paint, pull weeds, and beautify our neighborhoods. It was a wonderful day spent with people of all ages, political leanings, and occupations. Lafayette has never felt or looked better. Unfortunately, a small clique of protesters unsuccessfully attempted to hijack the festivities, even "booing" during the flag

raising celebration. These are the same faces that bully the community with protests at our elementary school and school board meetings. Their sole goal is to agitate the public by imposing their conservative nationalist views on children and adults in the most disruptive way possible.

We can have worthy discussions around bike lanes, budgets, housing developments, roundabouts, speed bumps, etc. In contrast, there should be NO debate regarding human rights for all individuals, especially historically marginalized and vulnerable members of the LGBTQ+ community.

Lafayette stands together as an inclusive, accepting, and compassionate community that values everyone. Yes, even those who choose to fester in bigotry and hate. Next time I hope they join the community with a paintbrush instead of a picket sign.

Michael Dawson
Lafayette

Response to letter on bigotry

In your last edition Matthew Fogarty made an impassioned plea to stop bigotry against the LGBTQ community, which I respect. However, in the course of

making his argument he took a completely unnecessary swipe at the Catholic church. Arguing against small minded behavior with small minded behavior is going to get us nowhere. If he truly wants an inclusive community he should not demonize a large group of people by focus-

ing on the actions of a small subset of that group. In fact, that is exactly what he was arguing against in his letter. Maybe Mr. Fogarty should familiarize himself with the pot and the kettle.

John Campbell
Moraga

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MPD holds well-attended Town Hall

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With fire season fast approaching, coupled with living in an earthquake-prone state, King reminded everyone to be prepared for emergencies. Have a plan for your family; sign up for the Community Warning System (cwsalerts.com) and Nixle (nixle.com); prepare a Go Bag for yourself and pets; have a neighborhood phone tree (at least for your next-door neighbors); and make sure

that your house is emergency ready. Check with www.firewise.org to make certain that you are fire safe, and visit Zonehaven Aware (www.zonehaven.com/aware) to learn your zone evacuation number. Be aware of the possibility of future Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS) by updating your contact information with PG&E (pge.com/my-wildfirealerts) or call 1-866-743-6589.

In closing, King discussed Senate Bill 553, by Senator

Dave Cortese, which is progressing to the State Assembly. The bill would ban retail staff from interfering with thieves in the process of stealing from a store by protecting them from workplace violence. In an interview with Fox 2/KTVU, California Retailers Association President Rachel Michelin stated, "This bill goes way too far, number one, where I think it will open the doors even wider for people to come in and steal from our stores." Most recently in the news was

an incident at the Home Depot in Pleasanton where a 26-year-old security guard was shot to death while trying to prevent a theft.

The point King was trying to make to residents was that little things like locking your car and home; not leaving valuables in plain sight; not discussing vacation plans in public; and most importantly being aware of your surroundings would lead to a safer Moraga and discourage trouble from coming into

town, because "they know we are complacent. Ninety percent of crimes can be prevented. You know your neighborhood better than anybody. Bad guys look for an easy mark."

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Plans in place for another festive Fourth in Lamorinda

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Favorite marching bands will be returning, including St. Gabriel's Celestial Brass Band, MJ Brass Boppers and the Orinda All-Volunteer Marching Band. The popular stilt walkers will also participate in the parade.

The entertainment will continue in Orinda Community Park from 11:30 a.m. onward. A new addition to the parade day celebrations, Taste of the World Market will be providing food trucks this year, and beer booths will be provided

by the Tabor Sister City Foundation and Orinda Rotary in the park.

The four food trucks will be: Golden Gate Gyro, serving Middle Eastern cuisine including halal gyros; El Gran Taco Loco, serving Mexican food, including tacos, burritos, and more; Ike's Grill, serving burgers, chicken, sides, and more; and Ceviche & Co. serving fresh ceviche, chicken, steak skewers, and more. Families may bring picnics into the park to enjoy rock and roll band Tin Man performing.

On the sidewalk in front of

the Community Center, 15 non-profit organizations will have tables to introduce the public to their work. These will include the Orinda Nature Area, Friends of the Joaquin Moraga Adobe, Orinda Network for Education, Orinda Rotary, Orinda Women's Club, Republic Services/Recycle Smart, the Parks & Rec Foundation, Orinda Watch, Orinda Firewise Council and the Art in Public Places Committee, among others.

The fun run, formerly known as Haley's Run for a Reason, includes both a 5-mile run or a 2-mile walk. The 2-

mile walk is paved and stroller/dog friendly. The 5-mile run continues on from the 2-mile course onto East Bay Municipal Utility District trails, usually only accessible by permit.

The Celebration of Independence Day will also be happening at the Moraga Commons Park, at the corner of St. Mary's Road and Moraga Road, beginning at 11 a.m. with the Dog Parade (registration is at the bandshell). There will be Community Booths, Inflatable Jumpies, and Family Activities between 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Food,

wine and beer booths will be open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Later in the evening, on stage at the bandshell, the National Anthem and Mayor's Welcome starts at 6:45 p.m., followed by a 7 p.m. concert performed by House Rockers. With an estimated time of 9:30 p.m., the magnificent fireworks display is expected to begin.

The community is hoping to raise \$30,000 to defray the cost of the fireworks. Those who wish to support the fireworks can Buy-a-Rocket at www.moragarec.com.

Public Safety

Emergency response:
Emergency: 24 Hours 911
Police Dispatch: 24 Hours 925-284-5010
Nixle: Text your zip code to 888777 or go to www.nixle.com
Lafayette Police Department:
3471 Mt. Diablo Blvd. 925-283-3680
Chief of Police, Ben Alldritt 925-299-3221
Police Department Tip Line 94549Tip@gmail.com
Police Department Traffic Issues 94549Traffic@gmail.com
Moraga Police Department:
329 Rheem Blvd., 925-888-7055
Chief of Police, Jon King ext. 7049
Orinda Police Department:
22 Orinda Way 925-254-6820
Chief of Police, Ryan Sullivan 925-254-6820
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Lafayette Police Department Incident Summary Report May 28 - June 10

Alarms	38
911 Calls (includes hang-ups)	22
Traffic	59
Suspicious Circumstances	7
Suspicious Subject	21
Suspicious Vehicle	10
Service to Citizen	23
Patrol Req./Security Check	17
Public/School Assembly Check	0
Supplemental Report	8
Vacation House Check	43
Welfare Check	20
Ordinance Violation	1

Vehicle violations

Auto Burglary	1100 Block Camino Vallecito
1100 Block Glen Rd.	
Hit And Run Misdemeanor	3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
700 Block Las Trampas Rd.	

Reckless Driving
900 Block Moraga Rd.
Moraga Rd./St Marys Rd.
Pleasant Hill Rd./Wb Sr 24
Pleasant Hill Rd./Old Tunnel Rd.
Taylor Blvd./Pleasant Hill Rd.
Reliez Valley Rd./Silver Dell Rd.
Tc - Fire And Amb Enroute
St Marys Rd./Cattle Chute Rd.
Tc - Property Damage
900 Block Hough Ave.
Pleasant Hill Rd./Olympic Blvd.
10 Block Wallabi Ct.
3300 Block Moraga Blvd.
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Vehicle Theft
900 Block Janet Ln.
500 Block Merriewood
Other criminal activity
Fraud Credit Card
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Fraud False Pretenses
3300 Block N Lucille Ln.
Petty Theft
Police Department
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
3300 Block Berta Ln.
Petty Theft From Veh
1400 Block Eagle Point Ct.
1000 Block Windsor Dr.
Shoplift
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (4)
3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Nuisance to the Community
DDisturbance-domestic
1000 Block 2Nd St.
800 Block Rosedale Ave.
Disturbing The Peace
50 Block Lucas Ranch Rd.
Loud Music
Monticello Rd./Glen Rd.
1100 Block Upper Happy Valley Rd.
Rowe Pl./Moraga Rd.
Loud Noise
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)
Mt. Diablo Blvd./Dewing Ave.
Loud Party
700 Block St Marys Rd.
Public Nuisance
Mt. Diablo Blvd./Dewing Ave.
900 Block Brown Ave.
Mt. Diablo Blvd./Brown Ave.
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
El Curtola Blvd./Eb Sr 24

Vandalism
1000 Block Stuart St.
Other
H&S Violation
1000 Block Dewing Ave.
Harassment
Mt. Diablo Blvd./Moraga Rd.
K9 Outside Assist Request
Wb Sr 24 Jwo Sb I 680, Wcr
Loitering
3400 Block Mcellen Ct.
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Rescue-vehicle
50 Block Lafayette Cr
Threats
3500 Block Brook St.
Trespass
1200 Block Rose Ln. (2)
1200 Block Pleasant Hill Rd.
Unwanted Guest
3600 Block Deerhill Rd.
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Violation Custody Order
1300 Block Summit Rd.
1400 Block Tichenor Ct.

Moraga Police Department Incident Summary Report May 30 - June 5

Alarms	7
911 Calls (includes hang-ups)	5
Traffic	36
Suspicious Circumstances	1
Suspicious Subject	1
Suspicious Vehicle	1
Service to Citizen	11
Patrol Req./Security Check	0
Public/School Assembly Check	2
Supplemental Report	0
Vacation House Check	0
Welfare Check	1
Ordinance Violation	1

Vehicle violations

Accident Injury	Moraga Country Club
Accident Property	Moraga Rd./Alta Mesa Dr.
Dui Misd	Moraga Rd./Mt Diablo Blvd., Laf



Excessive Speed
Fernwood Dr./Rheem Blvd.
Moraga Way/St Andrews Dr. (5)
Moraga Way/Eastwood Dr., Ori
Ivy Dr./Moraga Way
Moraga Way/Harvey
Moraga Rd./Moraga Way
Moraga Rd./Donald Dr.
Moraga Rd./Devin Dr.
Reckless Driving
Canyon Rd./Country Club Dr.
Moraga Way/Canyon Rd.
Ascot Dr./Moraga Rd.
Tc - Property Damage
200 Block Corliss Dr.
Moraga Country Club
100 Block Oxford Dr.
Other criminal activity
Identity Theft
Police Department
Warrant Arrest
Tj Maxx
Nuisance to the Community
Disturbance-domestic
100 Block Donald Dr.
Other
Fireworks
Donald Dr./Moraga Rd.
H&S/Pos Paraphenalia
1400 Block Moraga Way
Revocation Of Probation
400 Block Center St.



Orinda Police Department Incident Summary Report May 28 - June 10

Alarms	28
911 Calls (includes hang-ups)	12
Traffic	107
Suspicious Circumstances	6
Suspicious Subject	7
Suspicious Vehicle	5
Service to Citizen	60
Patrol Req./Security Check	26
Public/School Assembly Check	1
Supplemental Report	14
Vacation House Check	0
Welfare Check	6

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Ordinance Violation
Vehicle violations
Auto Burglary
Hall Dr./Donald Dr.
20 Block Moraga Via
20 Block Orinda Way
80 Block Via Floreado
Dui Misd
300 Block Glorietta Blvd.
Reckless Driving
Ivy Dr.
Moraga Way/Hall Dr.
Camino Sobrante
Moraga Way/Overhill Rd.
Bear Creek Rd/Camino Pablo
Rheem Blvd./Hall Dr.
Other criminal activity
Fraud Credit Card
20 Block Irwin Way
Grand Theft
40 Block La Campana Rd.
Identity Theft
10 Block Shadow Creek Ln.
20 Block Irwin Way
Petty Theft
Camino Sobrante
Warrant Arrest
Orinda Way
Orinda Way/Santa Maria Way
Nuisance to the Community
Loud Music
Theatre Square
40 Block Oakwood Rd.
30 Block Barbara Rd.
Loud Noise
Orinda Way
Loud Party
10 Block Oakridge Ln.
Public Nuisance
Bart Orinda Station
10 Block Theatre Sq 106
Other
Failure To Obey
Orinda Way/Santa Maria Way
Wb Sr 24 At Wilder Rd.
Revocation Of Probation
Orinda Way
Glorietta Blvd./Acalanes Rd., Laf
Trespass
60 Block Brookwood Rd.
Camino Sobrante
Unauthorized Possession
Camino Pablo
Unwanted Guest
10 Block Lost Valley Dr.