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Wallingford Police Seeking Information on Fatal Bicyclist Collision

On May 25, 2019 the Wallingford Police Department Traffic Division investigated a fatal one-vehicle versus bicyclist collision that occurred on South Turnpike Road in Wallingford, approximately 175 feet north of its intersection with Toelles Road, immediately north of the North Haven Town Line. The incident was reported to Wallingford Police Communications via 911 at approximately 2:57 PM.

During the ensuing investigation, which is ongoing, it was discovered that a vehicle traveling behind the 2009 Honda Civic sedan that struck the bicyclist, was equipped with an on-board video camera. This camera not only captured the tragic event, but also captured activity surrounding the incident, both before and after. When reviewing the video footage investigators saw two people get out of a vehicle that was traveling west bound on Toelles Road and approach the involved gray colored 2009 Honda Civic sedan that was stopped in the middle of the intersection of Toelles Road and South Turnpike Road. These two individuals are seen at the driver's door of the involved Honda and appear to be speaking with the operator, who was later identified and arrested.

Investigators are asking that the two yet unidentified passersby, who left the scene prior to the arrival of the police, contact the Wallingford Police Department Traffic Division as soon as possible. Investigators are hopeful that these passersby can be identified as they may be able to provide valuable information in the furtherance of this investigation.

Investigators are also looking to identify a motorcyclist that was traveling north bound on South Turnpike Road out of North Haven, who stopped alongside the involved Honda sedan. In the video it appears that operator of the Honda sedan is taking items out of the Honda via the passenger side door and walking in to the nearby woods as the operator of the motorcycle is stopped alongside.

The Wallingford Police is asking that these individuals, as well as any other witnesses or persons having contact with the involved operator of the 2009 Honda Civic, contact the W.P.D. Traffic Division and speak with Officer James Knowlton at 203-294-2818 or Lt. Anthony DeMaio at 203-294-2838.

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