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UFO reported off North Shore

A 1975 sighting of an unidentified flying object off Port Allen re-reported in Monday's special edition of The Garden Island gave a Ha'ena man the courage to report another sighting Tuesday night.

Alan Reiser says he and Lou Kono, also of Ha'ena, were driving home at about 10 p.m. Tuesday when they noticed an object -- "brighter than any star you can imagine" -- hovering a little ways above the ocean.

THEY NOTICED IT when they were passing Lumaha'i Beach, and a little while later they pulled over near the Bali Hai Restaurant and watched it for

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another 10 minutes.

The object, Reiser said, shone with a bright white light, but at times they could see a red flashing light. But the most astonishing thing was the way the light "just faded ... like someone dimmed the light," he said.

The light faded once or twice before it "became invisible" and did not reappear. There were no clouds and visibility was "good," he said.

REISER SAYS HE was struck by the similarity between his sighting this week and the 1975 account in-

cluded in Ke Aka. The UFO off Port Allen was seen by seven people.

That year Florence Hamamoto of 'Ele'ele reported the bell-shaped object hovered a few minutes around 7:30 or 8 p.m. before fading away. The sides were a light color and the center was dark, she said.

Reiser said he had never before seen something to qualify as an unidentified flying object, and that if he had not seen the report of the 1975 sighting in Monday's paper, he wouldn't have thought the newspaper would be interested in such things.