

PRESS RELEASE

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TYPE OF CRIME: Missing Person/ Silver Alert

LOCATION: Cupertino, CA CASE NUMBER: 17-018-0274C

DETAILS:

The Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office is still seeking the public's help in locating Gin Lu "Tommy" Shwe. He went missing one week ago today. Mr. Shwe is an active, well-known member of the community in Cupertino. He formally served on the Cupertino School Board and now works as a local real estate professional.

On Wednesday January 18th, at approximately 2:30 PM, the Shwe family contacted the Sheriff's Office West Valley Division to report their father missing. Shwe's family member reported to deputies that Mr. Shwe is insulin dependent, and was last seen the previous evening. When Mr. Shwe failed to attend a scheduled work meeting on Wednesday, it raised concern among family members. On January 19th, at approximately 1:19 AM, a *Silver Alert* was activated by the California Highway Patrol on behalf of the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office.

Since learning of Mr. Shwe's disappearance, the Sheriff's Office has utilized its Search and Rescue Teams to canvass several areas, and alerted federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies throughout California of his disappearance. Sheriff's Office Investigators have been working around the clock trying to locate Mr. Shwe along with his vehicle. Investigators are not ruling out that foul play may be involved in this disappearance, and are tirelessly following all leads. They have questioned numerous individuals believed to have been in contact with Mr. Shwe the days leading up to his disappearance.

Investigators want to remind the public; Gin Lu "Tommy" Shwe, age 70, is 5'10" and weighs about 250 pounds. He was last seen wearing either a blue or red shirt with grey pants and is associated with a silver Mercedes C350 sedan with license plate #6HTA416. Photos of Mr. Shwe are attached, as well as a picture of a similar Mercedes to the one owned by Mr. Shwe.

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office at (408) 808-4500. Alternatively, you can contact the Sheriff's Office Investigative Services anonymous tip line at phone number (408) 808-4431.

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