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KEEP THE GRINCH OUT OF CHRISTMAS

(Haldimand County, ON.) The festive time of year is upon us and the Haldimand County O.P.P. want to ensure that everyone has a safe and happy time by decreasing opportunities for would-be-thieves. Unfortunately, thieves like this time of year too.

Provided below are some safety tips that will reduce your likelihood of being burglarized this Holiday Season;

- Lock everything in the trunk of your vehicle while shopping.
- Thieves will be on the lookout for presents - so don't leave them under the tree in view of the window.
- If you are travelling away from home this season, ensure that a neighbour is in charge with looking after your home by picking up your mail or newspapers and clearing the snow from walkways and driveway.
- Use timers for lights, televisions and radios to give your home a "lived in" appearance.
- Cancel newspapers while away.
- Lock away all your tools and lock your garage and garden shed.
- Keep doors locked even while at home.
- Never open your door to a stranger. Keep it locked and talk through the door.

These simple tools will help to deter thieves and make your Holiday Season a little safer.

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