

Pointers on Car Theft and Vandalism:

- Close car windows and the sunroof when parking your car.
- Don't leave a spare car key in the vehicle, because, Kelly warns, car thieves "know where to look."
- Keep in your possession your vehicle registration, proof of insurance, etc. "Your vehicle pink slip should be kept wherever you keep your valuable papers - (and) not in your wallet."
- Leave nothing with your name and address, social security number or other personal information in your vehicle.
- Make photocopies of vehicle registration, proof of insurance and other important information for other drivers in your immediate family to carry.
- Don't leave your car with the motor running. A car left unattended and with the motor running is an open invitation to a thief. "Sometimes people on a cold morning warm up the car then race back inside to gather their belongings for work, then come out and find there vehicle is gone."
- Your car is safer in your driveway than on the street; but it's even safer in a locked garage.
- Park your vehicle on a well-lighted street and in well-traveled place if possible.
- Turn car wheels sharply toward or away from the curb and set the brake.
- Leave your car parked in first gear or in reverse if your car has a manual transmission. Use the parking gear if you have an automatic transmission.
- Don't tempt thieves by leaving items in plain sight on car seats or on the floor.
- Burglar alarms and steering wheel locks, such as The Club, may help keep out thieves.

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