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#### AG Covenant Going Through Final Preparation by Board for Early 2011 Voting to Begin

By Randy Simpson



The long anticipated Covenant Restatement and updated By-Laws have been reviewed by our legal council and are currently

undergoing final preparation by the AG Board for a vote on them to begin in early 2011. This has been a multi-year process, with hundreds of hours of time spent by your neighbors in preparation. A bit more of a lengthy summary of the significant changes in the covenant restatement will be in the December Gazette, but in short, the most significant changes are an updating of outdated and obsolete language. The original covenants were written in the mid-1980's, and needless to say, there have been lots of changes in laws and our neighborhood since that time—for example, the passing away of shake shingle roofs!. One thing that has absolutely not changed however is the commitment to maintaining the high-quality neighborhood that Andover Glen is. The restated covenants fully preserve the lawful ability of the 99 homeowners in Andover Glen to maintain the high-quality neighborhood we've all come to expect and enjoy. Look for the final (to be voted upon) restated covenants to appear on the Andover Glen website, www.andoverglen.org, in the next few weeks and expect to see voting activity to commence in early 2011. ~

## Holiday Neighborhood Gathering to take place on Saturday. January 8, 2011

By Randy Simpson

With the Holidays being such a busy time for everyone, the AG Board has decided to move the traditional neighborhood



gathering to the first week of January, 2011. Three of your neighbors have graciously opened their homes for the festivities. Look for all the complete details in the December Gazette. ~

## **Keep the Grinch Away this Holiday Season by Staying Safe and Alert**

By Randy Simpson



As the Holidays approach and we begin our shopping and social activities, it's important to remember that criminals also love the season, but for totally

different reasons. The Holidays mean that people are spending lots of money on wonderful gifts and can also often be distracted by all the commotion so as to let their guards down. It will only take one mistake or one

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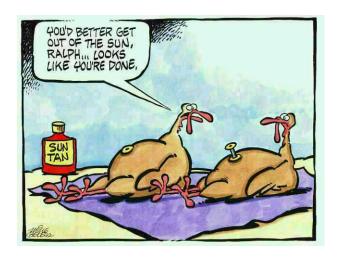
unguarded moment on your part for a criminal Grinch to use that opportunity to take all the merriment out of the season for you and your family. Here are some safety tips to put the odds in your favor of a having the Happiest of Holidays:

- 1. When shopping always keep purchases you've already made hidden from view in your vehicle by storing them in a trunk or lockable storage area. Having a big plastic tub in the backseat, even with a lid, *is not secure*, as it tells the criminal to "look in here!"
- 2. Be very careful with your credit card. Never allow a clerk out even a waiter or waitress to take it out of your sight for even a moment. Small pocket-sized card scanners are very common, and it just takes a moment to scan your card for all the information.
- 3. Keep a few lights on in your house in the evening and at night—even when your home, and especially when your away. Criminals tend to hate light, and they'll tend to pick the darkened house over your well-lit one.
- 4. Let a neighbor know if you're going to be gone for an extended period and make sure your have several lights in different areas of the house set on timers to go on at sunset and off at dawn.
- 5. Be alert and aware of any strange vehicles or any other unusual activity in the neighborhood. If a truck pulls up in your neighbor's driveway, and you know they're away, be suspicious. It only takes a few minutes for a group of professional thieves to clear out an entire house. (This actually happened once right here in Andover Glen!)

By being alert and observing a few safe practices this Holiday Season, you will maximize the chances of making your Holidays happy, and minimize the chances that the Grinch will pay you and your family a visit! ~

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Reminder: The Monthly Andover Glen Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 17, at 7:00 p.m. at Shalom Park. All AG residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and goodwill, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas.

-- Calvin Coolidge

#### Neighbor to Neighbor

#### Services and stuff for sale, cheap!

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