Danger with Thieves Steeling Your GPS or Cell Phone

GPS (Global Positioning System)

While attending a football game, a couple's car was broken into. Their car was parked in the stadium parking lot. Things stolen from the car included a garage door remote control, some money and a GPS which had been mounted on the dashboard.

When the victims got home, they found that their house had been ransacked and just about everything worth anything had been stolen.

The thieves had used the GPS to guide them to the house. They then used the garage remote control to open the garage door and gain entry to the house. The thieves knew the owners were at the football game, they knew what time the game was scheduled to finish and so they knew how much time they had to clean out the house.

Mobile Phone

A lady was out shopping one day and her handbag, which contained her cell phone, credit card and wallet was stolen.

Twenty minutes later, she called her husband and told him what had happened. The husband said, "I received your text asking about our pin number and I replied a little while ago".

When they rushed down to the bank, the bank staff told them all the money was already withdrawn. The thief had actually used the stolen cell phone to text 'hubby' in the contact list and got hold of the pin number.

Moral of the Lesson

- Do not disclose the relationship between you and the people in your contact list. Avoid using names like Home, Honey, Hubby, Sweetheart, Dad, Mom, etc....
- When sensitive info is being asked through texts, CONFIRM by calling back.
- When you're being texted by friends or family to meet them somewhere, be sure to call back to confirm that the message came from them.
- Use security features such as passwords on all your electronic devices.



