CASE STUDY #4

Millie is a single mother with two young children. She lives in a small home that she rents from an old family friend. The home is in an older, well-maintained neighborhood.

Recently, there have been several burglaries in the area during the daytime while the occupants of the homes are away at work. Nothing of substantial value has been taken, but Millie is concerned since it seems to be happening with more frequency.

The burglars usually enter through a rear door or window. In addition, Millie sometimes works a second job at night, leaving the children with a babysitter.

There is no garage, so Millie parks her early model car on the street each night. A neighbor told Millie that she has recently seen some teenagers driving through the area late at night.

QUESTIONS

• What loss control steps would you recommend Millie take about her home?
• Do you feel the landlord has any responsibility for loss control of the property? Why OR why not?
• What precautions can Millie take with respect to her automobile?
• What other loss control measures could be enacted in this situation?
• Are there any other people or organizations who should participate?