

Hosted by Cst. Steve Leclair, *Auto Theft: Reduce Your Risk* details preventative instructions on how to make your vehicle a hard target for thieves. In dealing with this issue, the program features dramatic re-enactments of common auto crime situations, interviews with victims and experts, as well as convicted auto thieves. Topics covered include:

- ✓ Theft of possessions from inside your vehicle: an increasing crime on the street and particularly in shopping centre parking lots;
- ✓ Auto theft: how to make your vehicle a hard target for thieves; reasons and methods used to steal cars; improving chances of recovering your stolen car;
- ✓ Car jacking: when thieves forcibly take your vehicle from you; taking preventative measures to avoid becoming a victim of car jacking.

You may be surprised at what you'll find out: who steals cars and why, the high costs associated with auto theft — in terms of property loss and injury, even loss of life. Auto theft is not a victimless crime. For more information on this program or other shows in the "Be Careful Be Safe" series, please contact:

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**HEARTBEAT OF THE NATION 1998** Since 1998 is destined to be a year of celebrations and of learning, this exciting national aboriginal policing conference set for September 24–27, at the Edmonton Inn, in Edmonton, Alberta, is being held in con-

junction with the 125th Anniversary of the RCMP, to learn how Canada's Aboriginal people and its police forces are working together.

Heartbeat of the Nation is a follow-up to the Sharing Common Ground 1990 National Aboriginal Policing Conference, where issues such as cross-cultural education, resolving conflicts and complaints, drug and alcohol problems, and the judicial system were discussed. It was a chance to learn about what was working, what the problems were, and how to begin solving them. It opened many doors and created a greater awareness of the concerns that both the Aboriginal and Metis people, and the police have.

Now, in 1998, we will ensure that those doors that were first opened have remained open. Heartbeat of the Nation 1998 will be filled with a variety of informative seminars focusing on futuristic Aboriginal policing initiatives and a huge trade show, followed by diverse entertainment during the evenings.

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