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This December, the residents of Candy Cane Lane decided to chase away recession blues with a blazing display of holiday excess. In his front yard, Tim rigged up an inflated Santa's sleigh with eight neon reindeer. Sam's yard had 12 separate giant video displays for each day of Hanukah. Lucy hung thousands of lights on her house and in her trees and bushes.

Joe was the lone holdout. "I just want a quiet holiday," he told his pleading neighbors. One night, Lucy and Sam secretly hung more lights onto one of Lucy's trees, which had branches hanging over Joe's yard. When Joe saw her lights hanging over his yard, he took them down and threw them away. He didn't touch any of the lights in Lucy's yard, though.

Things got really bad when the local newspaper urged readers to see the lights on Candy Cane Lane. So many cars inched past the houses that Joe was trapped in his driveway once for half an hour, unable to pull his car into the street, and missing the start of his son's school play. To make matters worse, while Joe was furiously stuck in the driveway, Sam secretly pointed one of his video projectors onto Joe's garage door and showed video of Joe getting tipsy at one of the neighbors' summer barbeques. Many people in the passing cars laughed and pointed at Joe's comical antics in the video.

Joe was so mad he snuck upstairs late one night and shot acorns from a slingshot at the inflatable sleigh in Tim's yard, trying to puncture it. He missed the sleigh, but hit Tim in the back of the head, causing a large bruise.

Meanwhile, Lucy's light display overloaded her old home's fuse box electrical system, causing a fire that burned down Joe's house as well as hers. Joe developed a nervous rash which required numerous trips to doctors and psychologists.

Discuss all torts.