

B & E's at Little Dyke Cottages

Four cottages in the Little Dyke area were victims of break and enter between February 15 and 16, 2017. The RCMP believes at least two suspects were involved.

Colchester District RCMP is asking anyone who has information about these incidents to call them at 902 893-

6820. Should you wish to remain anonymous, tips can be sent to Crime Stoppers by calling toll-free 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), submitting a secure web tip at www.crimestoppers.ns.ca or texting a tip -Tip 202 + your message to 274637. The investigations are ongoing.



Secure Your Property

Because of a series of recent break and enters at cottages, Colchester RCMP would like to remind cottage owners to ensure their properties are secure and valuables are locked away. These suggestions apply not only to cottages, but will be helpful for any dwelling or property you own.

Consider the following tips: Secure and lock all windows and doors. Get to know your neighbours and ask one of them to check on your property regularly, if you can't

do so yourself. Invest in bright outdoor lighting and indoor light timers. Remove valuables, firearms and liquor.

Additional way to secure a property include: Purchase a security system with video or set up trail cameras. Gate your driveway or lane way if possible. Hire someone to plow your driveway if possible.

Record serial numbers, take photos and note unique marking on all items at your property. This will help if something is stolen.



Joy Nicholson, owner and instructor with Joyful Yoga, congratulates Valentine King, Charlie Roberts and Valentine Queen, Decia Drummond, following a chair yoga session at the Colchester Stroke Club meeting held recently at Douglas Street School in Truro. (Submitted)

Wentworth United Church Women Take a Trip

By Hope Bridgewater

Marie Duranceau with her husband Evan took a trip to China. Marie Duranceau shared the trip with an excellent slide presentation and talk to members of the Wentworth United Church Women. Marie sent me a report, as well, entitled "Our Amazing Trip to China" which I now enclose with my editing included because of space requirements:

"Day #1. We flew by airplane from Montreal to Chicago where we caught the 12 hour flight to China. Upon arrival at the Beijing airport terminal our tour guide was there waiting for us with the welcoming sign. We went to the Loong Palace Hotel to dine and rest.

Day #2. We visited Tiananmen Square, walked around the Pedestrian Plaza, and saw the site of the National Museum and Mao Zedong's Mausoleum. We entered the Imperial Red Wall of the Forbidden City, the Emperor's Palace (off limits to commoners for centuries). We visited the Temple of Heaven where the Emperor could humble himself in prayer to guarantee the realm's good and plentiful harvest

Day #3. We enjoyed our excursion to the ancient Great Wall which was built

over 20 dynasties as a military fortification and runs thousands of kilometres across China. The Great Wall never achieved its purpose. Next was a four hour tour of Beijing with spectacular light shows, visiting the site of China's 2008 Olympics.

Day #4. We went to the airport for the flight to Chongqing where we were to visit the zoo that has pandas, but we arrived too late to enter and went directly to board the ship for a four day River Cruise.

Days #5,6,7 &8. We entered smaller boats to have a closer look at the Three Gorges, which contained beautiful views of canyons and mountains. We saw the Precious Stone Fortress on a hill along the banks of the Yangtze River providing a walkway to the Temple on top of the hill. We saw the Three Gorge's Dam, the world's largest hydroelectricity project, and the 5-Stage Ship Lock, a most impressive sight. The Captain's Farewell Dinner ended this wonderful River Cruise.

Day #9. We disembarked the ship at Guangzhou, a city located on the banks of the Yangtze River. This city has 6,000 years of history that gave birth to the culture of "Chu," and during a tour of

this city we had another dazzling display of its lights. We were taken back to Wuhan to rest up at the Loong Palace Hotel.

Day #10. We went to Shanghai by the High Speed Train which can reach speeds of 394 kilometers an hour. We had leisure time at a hotel and after dining had a night tour of the city.

Day #11. We visited the Shanghai Museum, shopped at the boutiques, and went to the waterfront area in central Shanghai where we experienced a most exciting Acrobatic show.

Day #12. We went to the airport for our flight home.

Final comment: We visited Beijing, Chongqing, Yangtze

River, Three Gorges, Guangzhou, Wuhan, and Shanghai. We also did side trips planned by our guide: a Jade factory, a Pearl factory, a Silk-making factory, and a Tea Ceremony. It was a busy time-filled vacation and the only spare time we had was on the bus going from one event to another. We were a great bunch on our bus, enjoyed talking to one another, joking and laughing together. All in all, it was a trip to remember and the many friends we had met."

As Marie Duranceau finished her slide presentation and talk, we felt that we had been on the trip with her, even though we were still seated on our chairs at the Wentworth Church downstairs hall.



Marie and Evan Duranceau arrive in China to begin an exciting and interesting trip with a tour group. (Submitted)

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