

NSSC Minutes Feb.9/26

Alta opened the meeting at 1:00pm.

Joan read the minutes for the Feb.2/26 meeting. No errors or omissions noted.

Alta introduced Ruby from Surrey Police, who spoke about Scams, Fraud and Seniors' Safety.

She supplied definitions as follows:

Fraud -use of your personal information to cheat you

Scams - manipulate information to convince you to part with your money.

Ruby supplied info re:resources as follows:

The Little Black Book of Scams Canada - Google this.

surreypolice.ca

Facebook - search Surrey Police Service

Ruby's tips for Senior Safety

When to call 911 -

- Immediate threat

- Suspicious persons

- Observing a crime in progress

When to call the non-emergency line (604 599 0502)

- To report a crime already in progress

- Fireworks/Noise complaint

- Suspicious activity

Personal safety:

- Well-lit areas if you must be out after dark

- At night. - face traffic if you must be on a road, wear light-colored or reflective clothing

- A person seems a little sketchy? Trust your instincts.

- Carry a personal alarm or whistle.

- Stay calm

- Never carry a weapon - it can be grabbed and used against you.

- Take note of the suspect -age, gender, height, weight, scars, tattoos

Home security

- Always lock your doors. Equip them with a wide-angle peephole.

- Don't open your door if you are not sure who's there.

- Don't leave keys or door openers in your car

- Treat your keys like cash

- Don't leave spare keys in your car

- Park in secure, well lit places

- Never leave your car running unattended

Ruby left a number of pamphlets related to her topic for members to take home.

Alta noted that our AGM will be on June 9, and asked that we all consider running for executive positions, example : president, secretary, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm