

## VACATION CRISSY IN CANADA

Hi Everyone! Here are my pictures of my arrival at Canada post, WINDSOR, ONTARIO, CANADA. Doralee's friends, postal workers Janet and Helen are wishing me a safe, happy, fun, exciting tour & vacation through Windsor and Canada. Doralee has my cape ready for me. It's chilly here. Hey look! She drives with hand controls. NOTHING'S GONNA STOP US FROM SEEING THE CITY! OK, IM ALL SET BUCKLED UP WITH MY FURRY GUARD FRIENDS, as I see everything in the front seat cool. Aren't they cute?

AND WE'RE OFF!



I KNOW I arrived here March 8 but Doralee's household had a major flu outbreak. We were so, so sick here for almost ten days. Sorry for the delay in my travels, but I too needed the rest. On March 22<sup>nd</sup>, we were back on par and here we are. This is me at my first DAY AWAY MEET, WINDSOR ESSEX COUNTY'S M.S. SOCIETY DAY AWAY PROGRAM, where "MSers" meet every other Wednesday for nail & hair care and lunch. They also play games and chit chat. This is offered by their county chapter for their M.S. members. After my long trip to Canada, I sure

needed my nails done and my hair too. Now I'm totally refreshed and ready to meet and greet Doralee's M.S. FAMILY.



Here is a volunteer doing therapeutic touch. She's giving me a session.



Here I am with Mike and Cathy and Natty were all eating lunch and enjoying every bite YUMMY!



Here I am just trying one more bite with Natty.

This is Jackie. She remembered her Crissy and told me she had received one from Santa when she was little and loved her. She said she cut her hair because she thought it would automatically grow and grow. It felt great to be hugged by her. This is Sue and Sandra. Sandra is telling me all about the "Day Away" and M.S. She's so interesting. I enjoyed her stories.



Me and Jackie



Someone offered to take a picture of me and Doralee (above).



Me, Sue (white shirt) and Sandra (in pink).

Here is Sharon. She's telling me all about the carnation drive and I'm trying to help her with her memorial "thank you's" that she printed for M.S. society. Sharon is their Past Chair. She was Chair for many, many years, and Jonnie is Windsor Essex County's chapter client service director (she helps all M.S. clients in the office). Jonnie is showing me how she makes her daily planners. Jonnie is the one who makes sure the "Day Away" is organized for their clients. THANK YOU, JONNIE FOR A GREAT DAY! Did you know the Windsor Essex County Chapter Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada has over 400 clients that they HELP? They have their own web site too and photo album Check them out at [www.mssociety.ca/chapters/essex](http://www.mssociety.ca/chapters/essex) and [www.picturetrail.com/ms-windsor](http://www.picturetrail.com/ms-windsor) . Their M.S. CANADA MISSION STATEMENT - "IT IS OUR MISSION TO BE A LEADER IN FINDING A CURE FOR MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AND ENABLING PEOPLE AFFECTED BY M.S. TO ENHANCE THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE". They all believe in that too. They work very hard, enhancing their everyday life. Thanks to all for the fundraising to support research. A cure will come!



Sharon



Jonnie



Jonnie

OH CANADA!!!! Look at this neat hoodie and pants Doralee hand made for me to wear and as a souvenir. It is so warm & so neat. It has pockets and 'tail hole and a hood. I look like a CANADIAN TEEN!!!!



Harley (Ashlee's best friend) and Ashlee are taking me out on the trampoline in the back yard. YIPPIE, jump, jump, I'm high, oh I'm coming down! Oh I bounced again. They are such fun. It's great hanging around teens (girls just my age). I have so much GIRL TIME WITH THEM! Aren't we the coolest looking girls? LOL



THEY'RE TIRED. I'm JUMPING STILL. I want to stay on here. Finally spring is starting here, no more snow! Ashlee, me and Harley- just us GIRLS!





March 24: Doralee shows me exactly where I started my trip. This is Canada's border-Ambassador Bridge border to the USA. See me at the duty free sign. Can you read welcome to Canada Windsor and the well known Canadian beer? Then she shows me the Ontario tourism information station right after you come over the Ambassador Bridge. In Windsor, you stop to get any information & tour guides you need. Ontario is yours to discover, so pretty, so nice, so many things here to see. Wow!





Mike and Brandon took me to a Charity event to benefit the Brentwood Recovery Home. Detroit RED WING ALUMNI vs. Essex County All Stars, Sunday March 25, 2007 at the Windsor Arena. I was out with the guys: Brandon, Mike, Dan, Dustin, and Bill. They stood in line to get autographs of the Red Wings alumni players. Doralee makes Red Wing outfits, so I borrowed one to wear to go cheer the team on. Everyone wears Red Wing gear to a game. Bob Probert was the first to sign the hockey jersey and hat then the others that could did. Wow, do the guys like me now and Doralee is displaying this outfit in her cabinet for Mike and Brandon on her Crissy doll. Thank you Mike & Brandon for letting me hang out with the guys!!!! ME! CRISSY OUT WITH THE GUYS AT A Hockey Game PRICELESS!

Look at all of these great pictures!







Doralee worked all day volunteering for M.S. society. She takes me everyday in case it's a picture taking moment. Well, we stopped at Canada's most famous place. Many Canadians start their days here. YEPPY, I'M AT TIM HORTON'S DONUT COFFEE SHOP! Oh boy, oh boy, I had their famous coffee. Doralee had French Vanilla (that's her favorite) and the Tim Horton gang welcomed me. I got to wear the manager's cap and they let all their customers see me there, right at the counter. Wow, Windsorites are so friendly here. Many, many people knew me from their childhood. And did you see the donuts? Yum, yum, yum... it took Doralee almost an hour just to introduce me. Almost everyone wanted to chat and now I know why. Tim Horton's is a popular place for Canadians. Their coffee is so GOOD!



On March 29, 2007, I appeared in the Windsor Star newspaper! The reporter from the \*Star\* interviewed Doralee & Ashlee on March 28. She also conducted a phone interview with Beth at home in Atlanta to get more information on the Vacation Crissy Project. Be sure to see the link on my main journal page that will take you directly to the article.

Well, I'm on my way to see Amanda! I've had a fun and exciting visit with Doralee and her family here in Canada. Can't wait to see what my next adventure will bring!

xoxo, Crissy