

STRAIGHT FROM DEHART - JUNE 10, 2020



Kelowna Ford Lincoln Sales Ltd. will be opening their new centrally located dealership at 2250 Enterprise Way, on Monday, June 15. The massive, incredible new building is 49,000 square feet on 5-1/2 acres and is one of the first in Canada of this particular new Ford Lincoln design-build. With this huge space, all the vehicle inventory of up to 465 vehicles can now be displayed on the new lot. Boasting 16 service bays and a fully automated car wash, the dealership offers a quick service lube bay that is dedicated to fast oil and tire changes making it ultra-convenient for clients. Express shuttle service is offered, as is a dedicated coffee bar and many other amenities. An indoor celebration bay for the delivery of new vehicles in the showroom is a new concept for both the dealership and clients. Partners in the company are **Dan Assam** and **Dean Bradshaw** with Dean as the general manager. **Jeff Burgis** is the general sales manager, **Peter Irvine**, the new vehicle sales manager, **Ken Hiles**, the service manager, and **Justin Friberg**, the parts manager. www.kelownaford.com

As a premier provider of a water taxi and private services on Lake Okanagan, **Peter Brady** of Kelowna Water Taxi Cruises will make your experience memorable. Whether you are going from point A to B at full throttle or would like to enjoy a leisurely cruise, Peter offers services on board that will not disappoint you with all protocols in place. The water taxi operates seven days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. until September 30th. Whatever your ideas, plans, dreams, or occasion, contact Peter as he answers all inquiries himself as the owner/operator of the business. www.kelownawatertaxicruises.com

Bringing friends, family, and communities together, Drive-IN movies have come to Kelowna. OutsideCinema.ca will support the Central Okanagan Food Bank with an outdoor movie every Friday and Saturday until September 27th in the parking lot at Trinity Church on the corner of Spall and Springfield. Attendees are asked to bring a non-perishable food item for the food bank. Tickets are pre-sold only at OutsideCinema.ca and space is limited to 50 vehicles with a maximum of six people per vehicle. All patrons must stay in the vehicle unless using the washroom in the church allowing one person per car at a time. There will be no food or concessions provided so bring your own treats. Showtime is 9:15 p.m. with the gate opening at 8:15 p.m. Visit the website for movie presentations. The goal of the food bank is to feed over 1,000 Okanagan families. **Eric Thorsteinson** is the producer and director of fun.

Masks by Marion in Magic are a brand of masks being made by **Marion Lennea** in the Magic Estates area of the city and sold to the public. Marion has a SeniorsPrivate Care Giver (at Home Care) business. She helps seniors keep their independence in their own homes. Marion started sewing in March to supplement her income as many of her clients were in the COVID-19 lock-down stage during this quarantine time. She sews two cotton styles of masks and also custom masks. All masks have filters and are washable. Marion can also make elastic changes and repairs on any mask. She will arrange for delivery. The masks can also be viewed on the Neighbors of Magic Estates Facebook page. To order text her at 250-826-1987 or mylennea@gmail.com

A lawyer at Pushor Mitchell LLP, **Angela Price-Stephens** has been appointed President of BrainTrust Canada. Angela was formerly a director on the board and has been serving the brain-injured community as a lawyer for 25 years. www.braintrustcanada.com

Happy 55th Anniversary **Mike** and **Dodi Krevesky** (June 6).

SMG (Sports Marketing Group) Golf, owned and operated by **Jim Hare** has launched a new web-based platform for virtual charity golf, designed by Website Design. This was a direct response to how SMG would continue to assist their customers during these challenging times. It will be held either in lieu of a canceled tournament or in conjunction with a live event or generate extra revenue. The virtual event will enable a charity to attract both an unlimited number of participants with continued sponsor support. The game is fun, simple, and quick to play. www.virtualcharitygolf.com; www.smggolf.ca

Local Kinesiologist and core specialist, **Dawn Joseph**, B.H.A. of Simply Core Fit has launched live core classes during COVID-19. The classes have been popular and now Dawn has decided to set up a new platform that would not only host the classes but also support local businesses that are not able to be open to their usual capacity at this time. Each of her videos showcases different locations with stunning Kelowna backdrops. Dawn explains where she is and what kind of goodness you can expect to find there. Some locations she has used are Myra Canyon Ranch, Brook & Barn Vibrant Wine, and Sanctuary Gardens. Check-out www.simplycorefit.com/classes

The Tasting Room at Okanagan Spirits Craft Distillery at 267 Bernard Avenue is now open daily except for Tuesday from noon to 6:00 p.m. You can also pick up your hand sanitizer with donations from \$5.00 for a 60ml pocket mister to \$80.00 for a four-litre jug to refill your smaller bottles. Over 35,000 bottles of this sanitizer have been donated to healthcare and frontline emergency professionals. www.okanaganspirits.com

Grabbing a croissant and coffee with a friend is now easy, as the patio at Sandrine French Pastry & Chocolate has opened for the season at 1865 Dilworth Drive from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Saturday. Owner/baker/chef **Sandrine Raffault** is now introducing products inspired by our natural surroundings with fragrant flowers such as rose, lavender, elderflower, violet, and lilac and they are being combined with local organic fruit. Try a strawberry-elderflower or rose macaron, a new jam featuring Okanagan blackberries and lilac or a cassis-violet cheesecake. You can also take home a ready-to-heat-and-heat quiche, a selection of rainbow-coloured macarons, or a jar of handcrafted jam to add a sweet treat to a boring morning piece of toast. Visit www.sandrinepastry.com to place an order online and touchless delivery to their parking lot.

The Kelowna Walk to End ALS this year will transition to an online virtual walk across the province. The virtual walk event will take place on Saturday, June 20th the day before Global ALS Awareness Day. You can show your support by joining Kelowna at www.events.alsbc.ca/kelowna. You can also collect online donations with your personal fundraising page. **Nancy Arbuckle** is the walk coordinator.

Venture Realty Corp. at 1593 Ellis Street is expanding into commercial real estate and adding Venture Commercial to its portfolio. The commercial division is comprised of **Jason Wills**, vice president, **Chris Wills**, director, **Chris Grout**, managing broker, **Clare Pollonais**, managing broker, and **Courtney Fedevich**, project lead. They will specialize in commercial sales, investments, and landlord/tenant lease transactions. Jason and Chris have recently joined the organization. www.venturecommercial.ca

National Blood Donor Week is this week, June 8th to 14th. Blood donors strengthen Canada's Lifeline. As 2020 has been a difficult year in health care, blood is needed. Make an appointment at blood.ca/NBDW or 1-888-2DONATE

The Regional District of Central Okanagan has received the Southern Interior Local Government Association (SILGA) Community Excellence Award for Environmental Sustainability. In 2018, the Regional District partnered with the **Okanagan Basin Water Board (OBWB)** on a multi-stakeholder committee representing 13 local governments. Through the Okanagan flood collaboration Project, risk assessments were undertaken along with flood mapping in the hope of making the valley become more resilient to precipitation extremes. www.rdc0.com