

Between the Bridges

Special COVID-19 Bulletin #2 | April 3, 2020

As a community response to the COVID-19 emergency, **Between the Bridges** is publishing a series of bulletins providing information of local interest within the False Creek South neighbourhood. It will inform residents about available local services and supports, share good ideas and best practices in dealing with the current emergency, and encourage the sense of cohesion in our wonderful community. *The Bulletin* is for sharing! Please send your ideas and news to newsletter@falsecreeksouth.org. You can also find resources and supports at falsecreeksouth.org/special-covid-19-bulletins.

NEIGHBOURS HELPING NEIGHBOURS

If you pass by, or through, Alder Bay Co-op, you'll see green OKAY signs in some of the windows. On the other side, the signs read HELP.

Particularly appropriate for those who live alone, the signs had been acquired by the Co-op's Emergency Preparedness Committee. Rather than wait for the earthquake it decided to bring them out for the present COVID-19 situation – probably an emergency by anyone's definition!

Other enclaves can purchase these for their own residents through St. John's Ambulance; \$1.99 each for the window signs and \$12.95 for a pack of 10 to hang from exterior door knobs.

<https://shopsafetyproducts.ca/collections/emergency-preparedness/signage>

GRANVILLE ISLAND MARKET: A NEW SERVICE - AND WHAT'S OPEN

If you're tired of the line-ups at the chain groceries, there's space to shop at the Granville Island Market.

Unsurprisingly, the popular Foodie Tours aren't touring much at this point, but they've reconfigured their business as delivery of both Market stock items and specialty curated packages. Might be a nice way to thank someone in your life instead of those hugs you're missing.

Check it out at: <https://foodietours.ca/granville-island-foodie-delivery/>

For a full list of what's open during hours and other info, go to:

<https://granvilleisland.com/news/granville-island-public-market-update-march-25-2020>

HERE'S AN IDEA

A near-lockdown might be in progress, but life goes on - and part of life is kids' birthday parties. "Kids are also hit hard with this health crisis", said Pascale Rozada (Connaught Co-op). They can't go outside as much and play with their friends."

Still, Pascale said, it's important to "help people feel connected during this time where kids can't have their birthday party." As she told *Between The Bridges*, "it was my kids' birthday today. Neighbours hid birthday cards and treats in our garden and we went on a treasure hunt to get them. No physical contact. In return, we delivered the neighbours a slice of birthday cake.

"Also, after the usual 7 pm cheer, they sang happy birthday to them. It was sweet and contributed to make it a special day, despite the restrictions we are facing".