

DOTY'S OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT
Featuring MOANA
Monday, August 24, 2020, 8:30pm

Covid19 pandemic has forced us to cancel or postpone many of our programs this year (e.g. Ballroom Dance, Rummage Sale, Annual Picnic/ Music in the park). However, the D IDC Board continues to work hard to find alternative programs that are "safe" and help improve the lives of our community. For example, we modified our Annual Island Clean Up to allow proper social distancing practice and we initiated the Doty Island Historic Sidewalk Tour. Both programs were huge successes. We continue to thank our island residents who have helped us make these programs successful.

With safety concerns in mind, in lieu of our Annual Doty Island Picnic/ Music in the Park event, D IDC in partnership with St. Patrick's Parish will host an **Outdoor Movie Night** on Monday, August 24, 2020 at 8:30pm at the lawn/parking lot of St. Patrick's Church.

THE MOVIE

Moana will be playing! It's a family-friendly movie about Moana, the daughter of a Polynesian village

chief, who is chosen by the ocean itself to reunite a mystical relic with the goddess Te Fiti.



COST FOR ATTENDEES:

This is a **FREE** community event co-sponsored by D IDC, and St. Patrick's Catholic Parish.

FOOD TRUCK

Baker Joe's Mini Donuts & Kettle Corn will be there starting at 7pm! There will be assorted popcorn flavors as well as soda and water available for sale.

FOX CITY FLIX

D IDC has hired Fox City Flix to set up and take down the 32-ft inflatable movie screen, provide the generator and also provide sound. Sound will be projected from the screen, but also you will be able to play the sound on your car stereo (if you reserve a stall)!

LOCATION

The lawn and parking lot of St. Patrick's Parish—located on the

corner of Nicolet Blvd. and Washington Street.

With a 32-ft screen, there is plenty of room on the grass for camping chairs and blankets. Feel free to walk, bike or drive to the event. There's plenty of parking behind St. Patrick's.

DRIVE-IN OPTION

While this event is mainly a lawn outdoor movie event, we do have limited 20 spots for drive-in options. These spots are available for reservation only for \$10 per car. You can reserve your spot by emailing **dotyisland@gmail.com**. Spots left on the day of the event are first-come. The cost will be used to off-set the additional cost of equipment to transmit the movie sound into your vehicle's FM stereo.

Please practice safe distancing during this event and follow mask guidelines when within six feet of non-family members.



EMILY MEGAN PHOTOGRAPHY Welcome to Doty Island!

Emily Megan Photography has relocated to 303 N Commercial St. (On the N.E. Corner of Commercial and Forest) The studio was previously located at the Edison Center in Appleton.

Emily Polzin, the owner, is also a new island resident who moved here in October and has been in the photo industry for nine years having helped hundreds of couples capture their memories.

Specializing in wedding photography, Emily says she believes a wedding day is about more than just pretty pictures and there she is there to document all the important moments in between. With a degree in Journalism + Advertising, she enjoys being a storyteller and her

favorite part of the job is getting to curate stories from the engagement to the ceremony to the dance floor. Emily says she believes that the moments that matter are most important and she wants her clients to be able to relive every single moment when they look at their photos. While based in Neenah, Emily works throughout the Midwest and has traveled internationally for hire.

Boudoir and other studio photography is also offered by Emily.

More information and galleries are available at the following:
www.emilymeganphoto.com and
www.loveemilyboudoir.com

Emily has two black cats, a pug, and a rescue terrier. She is also



the co-owner of "Doty Vintage Co." with Heather Stinson, another island resident. That business will be opening soon at another location.

THE OL' BAIT SHOP History of the Bait Shop on Doty Island

Eighty years ago Robert Mason built his home on a picturesque section of Doty Island along the Fox River—it is located at the end of Fox Street facing James Island. He was an outdoorsman and an entrepreneur. Steps from his back door he erected a small building which became the stopping off point for fishermen and river enthusiasts for about the next twenty-five years. It was known as The Bait Shop by the fishermen who came to get their bait for their fishing adventures along the Fox

and out onto Little Lake Butte de Mort. All they had to do was ring his home doorbell and out Robert would come, walk over to the Bait Shop and sell bait or possibly rent a rowboat. He would run it year round so ice fishing would be a money maker for him.

In the 1950's a youth named Dan Koerner became very familiar to the Bait Shop and Mr. Mason. He would buy bait and then try his luck at fishing along the river. Dan refrained from using the rowboats which were difficult to maneuver for a youngster and fished along the banks. He lived just up the street from the shop with his eleven siblings. It was an exciting life along the water for him but a difficult time for his parents. Almost yearly his home would flood and his parents would be cleaning up a mess.

Now fast forward to 1980. Dan has grown up and looking for a place to settle down. He locates this beautiful section of property along the Fox at the entrance to Little

Lake Butte de Mort. It is just a stones throw away from where he grew up on Doty Island. You guessed it! On the property there is still the old Bait Shop. Dan carefully renovates it and brings it back to house all his fishing memorabilia.

Two thousand bobbers that Dan has collected from the shoreline hang from the ceiling. There is also a bobber Christmas tree. Robert Mason's original price list was discovered and hangs on the wall.

Now the Bait Shop is a private entertainment center where Dan and his wife invite friends and family over for fish fries and stories are shared about the "old days" on Doty Island. Places like Steckers, Winnies, Island Drug Store, Streiners Grocery, the Corner Store, and Brantmeyer Liquor Store are fondly remembered.



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As Doty Island residents, we love our island and its unique community. When we ask where we live we state, "I live on Doty Island" or just simply "The Island".

Our community's love of their island is one of the reasons why the Doty Island Development Council (DIDC) was formed 26 years ago by its residents. We are a 501c3 non-for profit organization. DIDC Board of Directors is made up of 15 of our Doty Island residents and business owners.

The DIDC Board works hard year-round to plan and implement fun-filled community events and beautification projects that have direct impacts on the island's residents. These events are mainly funded by our DIDC membership and donors. All the money we raised is put back in the community.

Are you a member?

All DIDC members are listed on the last page of our Doty Island newsletter (see our website for all newsletters). Would you consider supporting our programs by becoming a

member?

We need your financial support to continue our programs. When you become a member of the DIDC everyone benefits!

- Fun family-friendly activities and programs year-round.
- Your contributions stay within our unique community.
- DIDC partners with both cities (Neenah and Menasha) for our residents' benefit.
- Beautification projects to create spaces to enjoy outdoor activities.

Your neighbors and community greatly appreciate your donation. It will be used to fulfill DIDC's mission of "improving the quality of lives for all Doty Island residents." So please join us today!

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DOTY ISLAND STREET SIGNS Identity for Doty Island Community

During the last couple months, we've been working on 'alternative' projects to impact the community. One of the projects we've been working on has been Doty Island street signs toppers. The purpose of this project is to spread community pride and give our island community an identity

that is easily visible to the entire community.

Our DIDC council has worked with the Neenah and Menasha Public Works/Traffic Departments to ensure the material used and the size of the signs are consistent with their requirements.

WG, Inc. has created two design mockups based on our input. Eventually, we will devise the final version of the sign to propose to the Neenah and Menasha City Councils.

The mockups signs have been hung up on Keyes Street—at



Smith Park. One at the corner of Keyes/Cleveland and the other on the corner of Keyes/Park. THESE ARE NOT THE FINAL DESIGN or SIZE.

DIDC is using its "Sign Fund" monies for this project. Prior to city approval, we will need to determine how many signs will be needed to be ordered and where to place them. Depending on cost and funds, not all intersections may receive a Doty Island topper.

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DOTY ISLAND GREENS, LLC Fresh Veggies

Do you know where your produce comes from? Much of the fresh fruits and vegetables found in our grocery stores today are grown in California or in other countries. But did you know that we have an organic produce farm right here on the Island? Five-year Doty Island resident and founder of Doty Island Greens, Rob Turner, is passionate about producing organic produce using the urban farm methodology and grows nutrient-rich food right here on the Island.

Rob studied in Environmental

Science / Earth Science, and it is this training that gave him a strong understanding of soil and gardening. Soon after graduating with his degree, he started his own company, REV Organic, and focused on earthworm castings and the many benefits they provide to soil and plants. He also worked for a larger earthworm casting company as their full-time microbiologist.

He has since gone back to teaching full-time but created Doty Island Greens to grow a wide variety of vegetables in several plots on Doty Island and in Neenah. He uses an urban farm model which strives to grow food as locally as you can. It not only maximizes the nutrition in your food but also minimizes the carbon footprint spent to produce the food. Rob also focuses on making his produce as nutritionally dense as possible by building up the health of the soil it is grown in. Typically, he would sell his produce at the Farmer's Markets

but this year is trying out a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) model. Over 20 residents in Menasha, Neenah, and Oshkosh are taking part in the CSA this year and sharing the bounties of the Doty Island Greens gardens.

If you're already an avid gardener and interested in improving the health of your own garden's soil, Doty Island Greens offers organic and sustainable products that will help build your soil's health over time. Rob also consults on what you can do to your soil to either produce more nutrient rich food or to convert lawn/non-garden space into a bountiful garden. Increasing the good microbiology in your soil (think bacteria, fungi, and protozoans) all lead to healthier plants and produce. It takes time and care to do so, but the end results benefit both your plants and you.

For more information on Doty Island Greens, please visit <https://revorganic.com/doty-island-greens/>

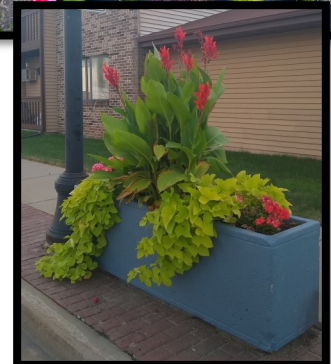


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FLOWER POT SPONSORSHIPS

Summer 2020

All of the planters were sponsored this year! Due to COVID, ACE Hardware was shorted their orders. Watters Farms had the opposite issue—he had a greenhouse full of plants from companies that had cancelled their spring orders. We were able to coordinate With ACE and Watters to fill the flower boxes with geraniums, potato vines and cannas. Our “watering girl” is helping us out for the 3rd year as she keeps the plants hydrated and weeded. Thank you to everyone that sponsored a planter this year!



WEED-PULLING AT NICOLET BEACH

Summer 2020

Thank you to the volunteers that helped out on a hot Saturday morning pulling the weeds at the Nicolet beach area! Your volunteering to keep our community weed-free is what keeps Doty Island ‘the place to live’!

COUNCIL CONTINUED MEETINGS

COVID 2020

Yes, this year COVID has challenged our 15-person council. Many of us had to learn ZOOM in order to hold our meetings. Now we are meeting in person (outdoors at Smith Park) using masks and social distancing guidelines. We are continuing to support the Doty Island Community.



DOTY ISLAND HISTORIC SIDEWALK TOUR

June 2020

The first-ever Doty Island Historic Sidewalk Tour was a success! This event was a collaborative event and would not have been nearly as fun without help!

Special “THANKS!” to the Neenah Historical Society, the Menasha Historical Society, and WG, Inc for the fantastic information and wonderful yard signs.

The residents at Island Shores were also able to attend this event when the Activities Director set up a few bus tours.

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