

## Dobbins-Oregon House Improvement Foundation

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### Alcouffe Center Newsletter - June 2014



2014 Vintage Tractor Days,  
 May 3 & 4 2014

*Welcome to DOHIF Times, a bi-annual newsletter with information about your community center. We welcome your comments and questions. Please call me at 692-9162 or email me at: rlong0000@aol.com*  
**Robert Longman, Chairman**

### Still to Come in 2014

<u>July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration</u>	July 4
<u>Community Auction</u>	July 26
<u>Mexican Dinner &amp; Auction</u>	Aug 23
<u>North Yuba Harvest Festival</u>	Sept 27-28
<u>Mandolin Ensemble Concert</u>	TBD *
<u>Holiday Open House</u>	TBD*

\* Date To Be Determined – Please visit [www.alcouffecenter.org](http://www.alcouffecenter.org) for event information and updates

The 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Vintage Tractor Days was held at the Alcouffe Center on May 3rd and 4th. Beautiful restored antique tractors, tractor games, kid's games and a wide variety of vendors provided something for everyone. This is northern California's largest vintage tractor show and a must as a wonderful spring family activity. If you missed the event this year put it on your calendar for May 2 and 3, 2015!

### Upcoming 2014 Events

The Alcouffe Center will again host a **FREE July 4<sup>th</sup> Community Celebration** with food, bounce houses, dunk tank, kid's games and activities, including fireworks and sparklers. Join your neighbors and friends at this popular traditional family Fourth of July celebrating the birth of our country. A no cost community service event.

The 3rd annual **Community Auction is coming up on July 26!** You'll be surprised at the great items to bid on. Used equipment, tools, household and miscellaneous items of all kinds. Check-in is on Friday July 25, donate or consign items to be auctioned. Auction previews on Friday evening and Saturday morning until bidding starts at 10:00 am. Full details are available on

the Center's website. Food concessions will be on site all day. This is a community service event; a portion of the proceeds help support operations of the Alcouffe Center and Floyd R. Douthit Memorial Park. Contact Robert at 692-9162 for more information.

The popular **Mexican Dinner and Live Auction** will be Saturday, August 23rd. Lucio Cueva will be guest chef again this year. Auction preview and no-host bar begin at 5:30 pm. Donations of auction items from businesses and residents help raise funds for the community center. *Do you have a donation to contribute?* Contact Sue at 632-6323.

The 8th Annual **North Yuba Harvest Festival** will again be a two-day event scheduled for September 27 and 28, this is *the* premier wine, olive oil, food, arts and crafts event in the North Yuba foothills. This one promises to be our best yet. More than 50 vendors will be on hand for this family friendly event with a great bounce house and lots of other children's activities. Live music from Steve Williams and the Thunder Mountain Band. With a little luck we will pull Wild Bill Galvin out of retirement one more time for his juggling street performance. *Vendors:*

Contact Greg Holman, at 692-2476 or 301-2820 or [greg@caterholman.com](mailto:greg@caterholman.com). FREE admission with \$5 parking donation.

The Apollo **Mandolin Concert** will return to the Alcouffe stage this Fall. This very popular group of musicians is led by maestro Nikolay Shpurik. Wine & hors d'oeuvres will be served. See our website for the late fall date and further information (to be announced).

A **Holiday Open House** will again be held in December. This is a no cost community service event with food, beverages (non-alcoholic), children's games and activities, seasonal music and an opportunity to tour and learn more about the Community Center.

### Construction Progress

This year work was completed on the **Snack Shack** in the Park area above the ball field with fully handicapped accessible rest rooms. North Yuba Little League provided very substantial in-kind labor and materials in order to complete the Snack Shack which is now in operation for all Little League games played at Douthit Field.

Aggregate material generously donated by Silica Resources, Inc. was added to the arena just in time for this

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year's Vintage Tractor Days event. New equipment for Tractor Days also included a people mover, tractor totter, kid's teeter-totter, water trailer for dust control and a kiddie train.

**Park update:** The Park is available to all with no charge for use on a first come first served basis. Park hours are sunup to sundown. Park use information is posted on the DOHIF website and at the facility. Additional playground equipment has been obtained and will be installed as soon as time and funds permit. A scoreboard, additional bleachers and outfield lighting are planned. Your donations are needed to complete these projects.

**Building Update:** We have commercial kitchen certification. Time slots are still available for entrepreneurs or caterers. Contact Sue Muths 632-6323 or Robert Longman 692-9162.

### **Noteworthy Donations**

Individual and business donations are the primary source of funds for continuing improvements and ongoing operation of the community center. The many businesses that help sponsor our events or have purchased ball field advertising banners are invaluable partners in sustaining the community center.

Save Mart and Food Maxx have partnered with DOHIF through the S.H.A.R.E.S. Program which gives 3% of qualifying purchases to DOHIF when you swipe your S.H.A.R.E.S. card at the register. Call Jeff at 632-6416 to get a card.

#### For Tractor Days 2014:

SRI Supreme of Marysville donated 125 tons of aggregate for the Tractor Days games arena!

Valley Truck and Tractor donated use of a new John Deere 5100 tractor to pull the People Mover at Tractor Days!

Escherman Construction donated time and equipment to assist with the Tractors Days venue!

Builtware Fabrication donated the labor and materials for construction of the tractor totter!

Thanks so much to these and the many other community minded businesses and individuals!

### **Other Notes of Interest**

A "Little Free Library" is located in the Alcouffe Center north entrance. Take a book/leave a book.

**Family Movie Nights** are the 2nd Friday of every month at 7:00 pm and are FREE. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Food, snacks and beverages are available at a nominal cost. Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult. All movies are G rated family movies. Call Robert at 692-9162 to find out what's showing.

**Workout Sessions** are held in our exercise room. ZUMBA Dancing and exercise equipment are offered 5:30-7:00 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Each session costs \$2. Contact Arlyce Baker at 692-1060 for information.

Another Successful **North Yuba Little League** season just concluded play at Douthit Field which is the home field for several local teams. If you did not get out to see a game this season you missed some great youth baseball. The outfield fence advertising banner program helps significantly with the upkeep of the baseball field. It's a great way to show support for local youth activities and provide great exposure for your business at the same time.

We have space for a few more advertisers. Please contact Robert Longman, 692-9162 for information

### **Funding and Support**

DOHIF does not receive any public funds, but because we are a 501(c)(3), cash donations will usually result in a tax deduction for the donor.



### **Other Ways You Can Help**

Attend our events: Our events are our main source of revenue throughout the year. Come out and enjoy quality events that support your Community Center.

The Best in Show – 2014 annual car show



Volunteer: We wouldn't exist without volunteers. Choose something that you would enjoy supporting and reap the rewards of making a difference right here in your own community. Call Jeff Citron at 632-6416.

Planned Giving (Bequests): A generous gift of land in 1992 by the Alcouffe family made the building of your community center possible. Their gift is a model for a lasting contribution to our beloved foothill community. Wills and trusts can be used as part of Charitable Estate Planning. This is an excellent way to give and to get some great tax advantages. Contact John at 692-9600 for more information or talk to your professional estate planner.

## **WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**DOHIF's mission is to build and support a place to meet, provide improved health & safety services, enhance education, assist with disaster relief, recreate, and enjoy life.**

**Our Vision is a vibrant and healthy community where needed services are provided and available to all residents.**

Help your community center by volunteering your time. Contact Jeff Citron at 632-6416 for great volunteer opportunities.

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