

## Dobbins-Oregon House Improvement Foundation

Alcouffe Center Newsletter - Spring 2015

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*Win this tractor!*

### Upcoming 2015 Events

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual **Vintage Tractor Days** will be held **May 2nd and 3rd**. Beautifully restored antique tractors, tractor games, parades and hayrides, kid's games and activities and a wide variety of vendors provide something for everyone. This is northern California's largest vintage tractor show and a wonderful spring family activity. New this year: The Saturday Bar-B-Q Buffet Dinner and Sunday Country Breakfast will be open to the public. See <http://www.alcouffecenter.org/Alcouffe/events/tractor-days/> for more details.

The **North Yuba Classic/Custom Car Show** takes place on **May 23rd**. We have some amazing car enthusiasts in the area who love to show off their fine classic/custom vehicles.

The Alcouffe Center will again host a **FREE July 4<sup>th</sup> Community Celebration** with food, bounce houses, kid's games and activities, including fireworks and sparklers. Join your neighbors and friends at this popular traditional family Fourth of July.

The 4th annual **Community Auction** is coming up on **July 25!** Used equipment, tools, household and

The drawing for this Ford 8N Tractor will be on Sunday May 3 at 2 PM at the Tractor Days event arena! Come see who the lucky winner is! You don't have to be present to win, delivered to winner in local area. Purchase raffle tickets, only \$20 each:

- Anytime on-line at [www.alcouffecenter.org](http://www.alcouffecenter.org)
- On April 25 at the Smartsville Timbuctoo Pioneer Day
- On May 2 or 3 at the Tractor Days event up until the time of the drawing.

miscellaneous items of all kinds are offered. Check-in is on Friday July 24, 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 on the Center's website. Food concessions will be on site all day. This is a community service event; 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 22nd**. 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 9th Annual **North Yuba Harvest Festival** will again be a two-day event scheduled for **September 26 and 27**, this is the premier wine, olive oil, food, arts and crafts event in the North Yuba foothills. More than 50 vendors will be on hand for this family friendly event with bounce houses and lots of other children's activities. Live music from Steve Williams and the Thunder

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

### Construction Progress

This year work has continued on the **Snack Shack** in the Park area above the ball field with fully handicapped accessible rest rooms. North Yuba Little League provided 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.

**Park update:** The Park is available to all with no charge for use on a first come first served basis. 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, and outfield lighting are planned. Your donations are needed to complete these projects.

### Noteworthy Donations

Every donation is important to us. Individual and business donations are vital 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.

Roadbase was donated by Teichert Aggregates and Knife River to improve the arena and driveways. Trucking is provided by our friend Greg Furlong.

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

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

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.

Thanks to these and the many other community minded businesses and individuals who support our activities throughout the year!

### Other Notes of Interest



**Park 'n Ride** at the Alcouffe Center provides an **online forum** to facilitate connections with fellow commuters and create a convenient way to carpool. Our Alcouffe Center parking lot provides a safe convenient and free place to meet with others and carpool to work and events. Go to our website to connect with others. Sign up today at <http://www.alcouffecenter.org/Alcouffe/parknride/>

**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.

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

**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.

**Alcouffe Center** is the place to be for **table tennis** every Thursday from 6:30 to 9pm. Come join the fun and get a great



workout! Equipment is provided as well as coaching to improve your game. \$3 per evening, but the first one is FREE.

Another Successful **North Yuba Little League** season is under way at Douthit Field which is the home field for local teams. 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

You may rent all or part of the Alcouffe Center for your event. See our how - to - use page at <http://www.alcouffecenter.org/Alcouffe/how-to-use-2/>

### Funding and Support

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

### How You Can Help

**#1: Wrap the enclosed reply form around your check** and return it in the enclosed envelope. You will receive a nice Thank You as proof of your donation that can also be used for tax purposes.

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

**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 John at 692-9600.

### Planned Giving:

(Endowments, 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.

**Other Opportunities:** We are looking for other ways to partner with the community with the goal of long term sustainability for your Alcouffe Center & Douthit Park – contact John or Robert or any board member with your ideas.

**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 John at 692-9600 for great volunteer opportunities.

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