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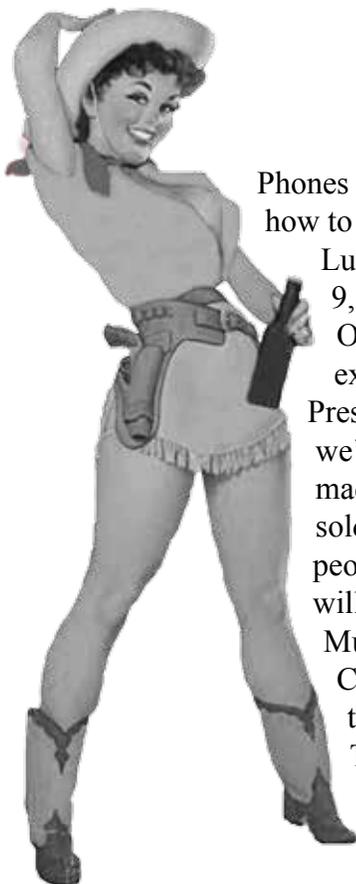
Get your sweet on for Valentine's Day

The Oakdale Cowboy Museum is pleased to carry the latest flavor of The Cowboy Toffee Company's Valentine's Day special, "Cowboy Lovin'." Appropriately named, this sweet mixture of both white and dark chocolate topped with red hot hearts is sure to please the heart of your Valentine. Besides the Cowboy Lovin' we carry three other favorite flavors available in our gift shop; The Mustang, named after our own Oakdale High School Mascot is made of semi sweet chocolate and topped with roasted almonds. The Legend, named after local World Champion Cowboy Jerold Camarillo is made with his two favorites dark chocolate and walnuts. We also carry, "Trigger" a white chocolate toffee with roasted almonds named after western movie star Roy Roger's famous horse. The Cowboy Toffee Company is owned by local entrepreneurs Dan and Samantha McGinnis. They are also supporters of the 150th Anniversary of the Yosemite Grant Act and have earned the use of the official logo during this celebration.



If you're trying to stay away from sugar, we have various gifts that will still melt a gal's heart. We carry beautiful one of a kind designs on purses, gloves, caps, furniture and painted signs by Creative Western designer Shelly Horn. Books, cowboy boot birdhouses, jewelry and other unique gifts can be found in our gift shop. Stop by and take a look.

2014 Cowgirl Luncheon



Phones have already started ringing with inquires about how to purchase tickets for the 13th Annual Cowgirl Luncheon which will be held on Wednesday, April 9, at the Gene Bianchi Community Center in Oakdale. "This is a very popular event, and we're excited there is so much interest" said Museum President Dave Brown. "Based on the feedback we've received from many of the attendees, we've made a few changes. In years past, tickets were sold on a midweek day making it difficult for some people to take time off work. This year, tickets will go on sale to members of the Oakdale Cowboy Museum on Saturday, February 15, at 10am at the Cowboy Museum, hopefully allowing more people the opportunity for a chance to purchase tickets". The ticket price is \$50 per person. Tickets are limited and only one table of 8 can be purchased per membership. If you are unable to purchase tickets in person, we will be taking phone sales

by calling (209) 847-7049. Please remember that tickets are limited and on a first come first serve basis. We will accept cash, checks and credit cards.

HONOREE RECOGNITION DEADLINE

Just a reminder that the deadline to submit nominations for honoree recognition at our Annual Dinner & Auction fundraiser is Friday, February 14. Each year the Cowboy Museum Board of Directors reviews applications and



votes on a person or persons who has helped build strong western values in our community and has contributed to our local western heritage. Our past nominees have been, ranchers, rodeo cowboys, livestock haulers, and stock contractors. Applications are considered for one living nominee and one honored posthumously. Honoree recognition is during our Annual Dinner & Auction Fundraiser, held on Saturday, September 20, 2014 and will once again be held at the Pioneer Equine Hospital. Nomination forms can be found on our website or you can stop by the Cowboy Museum.

Barnes Family Exhibit Opens

Over 75 people attended the opening of our current exhibit “Tales of the Yosemite Back Country, Mather Pack & Saddle Station, operated by the Barnes family since 1929,” which was held on Wednesday evening January 29th. The open house reception brought in friends and family that have known the Barnes Family for many years. Local packers that have taken the trek with patriarch Joe Barnes and also with son Jay Barnes, shared stories and laughter. Family memorabilia including pack gear, photographs, and plenty of stories are on display. “Joe was a real character and full of stories,” said one of the guests, “I can almost hear his voice when I look at these photographs, “I have a lot of great memories from this time.”



The idea for the exhibit came about as part of the 150th Anniversary of the Yosemite Grant Act, signed by President Lincoln to protect Yosemite Valley and Mariposa Grove. One gallery inside the Museum was transformed by our volunteer curators, Twainhart Hill, her sister Sharon Getchel with input and support from the Barnes Family. The project, a year in the making, has a real life camp area surrounded by pines, and an actual full color canvas of Tenaya Lake that makes you feel that you are in the big outdoors. “This exhibit unites the Community of Oakdale and will enhance the Museum experience of the many travelers that stop and visit,” said curator Twainhart Hill. “We were honored to be a part of this genuine and historic project.”



The exhibit will be up through the end of the year.



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AN EXHIBIT TO CELEBRATE

THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF
THE YOSEMITE LAND GRANT ACT 1864,
SIGNED BY ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Tales of the Yosemite Back Country

MATHER SADDLE & PACK STATION

Operated by the Barnes Family since 1929

Year long exhibit opens January 29, 2014



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AT 10AM