

The cupola stood atop the Sutter Union High School gymnasium, built in 1917, until the school was destroyed by fire in 1961. Its whereabouts was unknown until it was discovered by Dennis Richardson and Bob Barkhouse, on a ranch in Oregon House in 2008. Through the hard work and dedication of Dennis, the Native Sons of the Golden West, and other community volunteers, the cupola was restored and erected on this site by Ryan Robison in 2023.

A close look under the dome reveals the signatures of many of the SUHS students who were privileged to have attended during this era.

This project is dedicated to Mr. Anson Dobson, the Superintendent/Principal who guided the District through the tumultuous times of the fire and spearheaded the acquisition and ultimate construction of the current school site.

