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Press Release

WHAT: Supervisor Glover's County Youth Summit

WHERE: Los Medanos College, Pittsburg

WHEN: 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., April 24, 2010

WHO: Hundreds of young people learn about jobs, life skills, college, careers, peer pressure and the latest dance moves.

INFO: 925-427-8138

Challenge Day founder speaks at Supervisor Glover's Youth Summit

The annual Youth Summit will hear from the founder of Challenge Day, one of the country's best known programs that promote the appreciation of diversity among young people.

Sean Flikke, who created the Challenge Day program used by some Contra Costa County schools to fight racism, sexism, violence and peer pressure on campus, will be the keynote speaker at the Summit, which Supervisor Glover has sponsored the last eight years.

Since 1987, over a million youth in the U.S. and Canada have undergone the day-long program addressing common issues such as intolerance, gossiping, hopelessness and apathy that create problems in schools.

"Challenge Day is more than a one-day program," says Flikke. "It is the spark that ignites a movement of compassion and positive change."

Growing up as a foster youth, Flikke overcame his own personal challenges since he was raised by nine different families. Nevertheless, he graduated from Stanford University and was able to play professional baseball for a few years before finding his true passion, working with young people.

The Youth Summit, sponsored by District V Supervisor Federal Glover, will be held this year on April 24 at Los Medanos College in Pittsburg. Registration starts at 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Young people will be able to watch a live TV talk show, a theater performance and have an opportunity to speak to local civic leaders on such topics as uniforms on campus, smoking and alcohol abuse among other topics. There will be workshops on a host of diverse topics such as job hunting, CPR, video production, college preparation, starting your own business, developing a positive attitude, poetry and more.