

PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release
Contact: Amy Looney
Placer Valley Tourism
(916) 773-5400
alooney@placertourism.com
www.placertourism.com

## **History Comes Alive In Placer Valley**

William Jessup University Plays Host To National History Day - California May 8 -9

Rocklin, CA - April 29, 2015 - National History Day - California (NHD-CA) will be held for the first time at William Jessup University on May 8 - 9. This year's annual theme is <u>Leadership and Legacy in History</u> and students in grades fourth through twelfth that won their local county competition will be competing at one of the largest state History Day competitions in the country. <u>Placer Valley Tourism</u> is honored to have partnered with NHD-CA to bring this monumental event to Placer Valley.

There is projected to be 1,160 students at William Jessup University competing with their finalized projects coming all the way from Humbolt to San Diego and in between for this phenomenal competition. "This is the first time NHD-CA has been in Placer County and at William Jessup University and we are very happy to partner with the University and PVT who made it possible financially for us to do the competition here," remarked Craig Irish, Coordinator of Student Events and Competitions.

Irish explained that students will be doing interviews with judges on both Friday and Saturday. The following categories are open for public viewing: performances, websites and documentaries. The 2D displays and exhibits have set public viewing times and there will be historical entertainers on the William Jessup campus both days from 10:30 am to 5:30 PM. This two-day event is free to the public so for all those history buffs out there come on out to see what exciting and innovative projects the youth of California have created this year.

NHD-CA is a year-long educational program that promotes and encourages students to delve deeper into history as they select a topic that connects to the annual theme by doing extensive research for a project of their choice. There will be 32 California counties represented which includes 219 schools, 271 teacher advisors and 644 total projects at the 2015 NHD-CA. Approximately 44,000 students participated at the local level and then the top students moved on to the state competition where those winners have the opportunity to advance to national competition on June 14-18 in College Park, Maryland.



**Placer Valley Tourism** [PVT] is made up of the 23 hotels in Roseville, Rocklin and Lincoln, California. PVT recruits and supports hundreds of annual events with grants, marketing, volunteers, and other services as needed. To learn more about how PVT can help bring your event here, visit <a href="https://www.playplacer.com">www.playplacer.com</a> or call (916) 773-5400.

###

If you'd like more information about this topic, please call Placer Valley Tourism at (916) 773-5400 or e-mail Amy Looney at alooney@placertourism.com