

# Older Americans Month 2013 Proclamation



**Whereas, *Kittitas County*** is a community that includes 7,801 citizens aged 60 and older; and

**Whereas, *Kittitas County*** is committed to valuing all individuals and recognizing their ongoing life achievements; and

**Whereas, the older adults in *Kittitas County*** play an important role by continuing to contribute experience, knowledge, wisdom, and accomplishments; and

**Whereas, our older adults are active community members involved in volunteering, mentorship, arts and culture, and civic engagements; and**

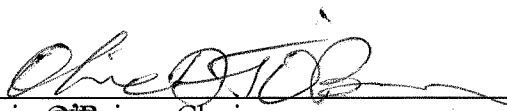
**Whereas, recognizing the successes of community elders encourages their ongoing participation and further accomplishments; and**


**Whereas, our community can provide opportunities to allow older citizens to continue to flourish by:**

- Emphasizing the importance of elders and their leadership by publicly recognizing their continued achievements
- Presenting opportunities for older Americans to share their wisdom, experience, and skills
- Recognizing older adults as a valuable asset in strengthening American communities

**Now Therefore, We, the Board of County Commissioner's of *Kittitas County*, hereby proclaim May 2013 to be Older Americans Month. We urge every citizen to take time this month to engage with our older citizens through enjoyable social interactions.**

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 2013

  
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Obie O'Brien, Chairman

  
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Paul Jewell, Commissioner

  
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Gary Berndt, Commissioner