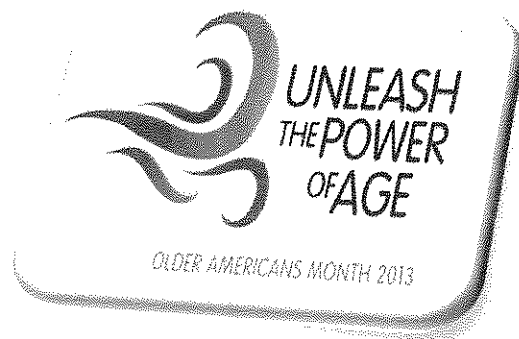


Older Americans Month 2013 Proclamation



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 7th day of May 2013



Obie O'Brien, Chairman



Paul Jewell, Commissioner



Gary Berndt, Commissioner