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May is Older Americans' Month
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(Woodland, CA) – April 28, 2014 - District Attorney Jeff Reisig announces that May is Older Americans' Month. In 1963 when Older Americans Month was established, 17 million Americans were older than 65. Today that number is nearly 40 million and growing fast.

Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig recognizes that older adults are vulnerable and attractive targets for all types of scams including phony foreign lotteries, "Grandma It's Me" scams, telephone, Identity Theft and unsuitable investments. Lately we have been seeing scammers calling by telephone and identifying themselves as employees of well-known computer companies such as Microsoft or Dell. They then say that your computer is about to crash and you need to allow them access to repair it.

"Older adults have worked and saved so they can provide for their retirement years," said Reisig. "Learning how to recognize, report and avoid fraud can save you from losing your life savings. In fact one of our local seniors who is 100 years old calls in regularly to report on the latest sweepstakes scams."

For more information on how to protect yourself from these scams please contact Yolo County District Attorney Enforcement Officer Dave Edwards at (530) 666-8416.

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