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MAY IS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

(Woodland, CA) – April 26, 2012 Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that May is National Older Americans Month and that the District Attorney’s Office will offer several opportunities for seniors to learn how to protect themselves from some of the common fraud scams, including Identity Theft.

Within 10 years more than 55 million Americans will be over the age of 65. Unfortunately crooks are aware that those older Americans have accumulated considerable assets as a result of hard work and saving. However, older Americans who recognize the red warning flags can avoid becoming a victim to these scams. District Attorney Jeff Reisig is aware of the importance of prevention and continually supports educational outreach: “We regularly take calls from older adults from all parts of Yolo County who tell us that they were contacted by a crook but knew what steps to take to safely disengage from a potentially financially devastating situation.”

While the District Attorney’s Elder Protection Unit provides services and resources year round to older Americans, this month presents an opportunity to learn more about scammers who use fake checks, the internet, mail and telephone to defraud their victims. If you would like to attend a free upcoming educational event, several are planned in May including one at Woodland Senior Center Resource Fair on May 16th and one at Lincoln Gardens Senior Apartments in Woodland on May 22nd. For more information about these events or how to keep safe from these scams please contact Dave Edwards at (530) 666-8416 or david.edwards@yolocounty.org.

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