

Mastick Holiday Closures!

Mastick Senior Center will be closed for the following holiday:

Presidents' Day: Monday, February 15, 2010.

Gung Hay Fat Choy

Celebrate Chinese New Year on Sunday, February 14. 2010 marks the year of the Tiger. Be sure to reference local newspapers for events throughout the community and neighboring cities. *Wishing you and yours good fortune in 2010!*

February Marks Black History Month

Black History Month is a time to celebrate the history, contributions, and accomplishments of African Americans. Be sure to reference local newspapers for events throughout the community and neighboring cities.

William Tillman: The Union's First Black Hero

Gerald Henig, emeritus professor of history, CSUEB, will present this Cal State East Bay Scholar-Olli lecture on William Tillman, a free African-American, virtually unknown to Civil War specialists and buffs alike, yet was a genuine Union hero. This illiterate ship's cook and steward, acting almost alone, recaptured a Union vessel from Confederate privateers in 1861 and sailed it safely into New York City's harbor. Join Professor Henig for an account of Tillman's deed and an analysis of how Northerners, Southern rebels, and observers across the Atlantic reacted on **Wednesday, February 24**, at 2:00 pm in Room D. This presentation is free to members. Membership is free to individuals 50 years of age and older.

Free Tax Preparation Services

AARP Tax Assistance Program volunteers, are available beginning **Monday, February 1**, to provide free tax preparation services to low and middle income individuals with special attention to those 60 and older. ***If you are uncertain whether you need to file, a tax volunteer will be available to answer questions on Thursday at 1:00 pm in Room D.*** To schedule an appointment, please visit the Mastick Office or call 747-7506. Tax services are provided in Room E (follow the yellow footprints!). ***This program is sponsored by AARP, IRS, and Mastick Senior Center.***

Mastick Book Club

On **Tuesday, February 2**, Book Club members will review “The Elegance of the Hedgehog” by Muriel Barbery at 1:00 pm in the Media Room. On Tuesday, March 2, Club members will review “Tales of the City” by Armistead Maupin. ***Hope to see you on the 2nd!***

AARP Driver Safety Refresher Course

AARP Driver Safety Refresher Course is the largest classroom driver refresher course specifically designed for motorists who are 50 and older! This course is taught in **one-day** on **Wednesday, February 3**, from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm in Room D. To qualify, you must have taken the standard course within the last **four** years. *Preregistration is a must.* There is a \$12 per person fee for AARP members (AARP membership number required) and \$14 per person fee for non-AARP members. The registration is payable by check **ONLY** made payable to AARP. Ask your insurance agent about automobile insurance discounts.