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Please participate in the Population Census!

The Japanese government is conducting a Population Census beginning Oct. 1, 2005. All members of Japanese society are required to participate, regardless of nationality. The Census questionnaire will be distributed to each household by Census enumerators in during the end of September, and you must fill out the questionnaire form showing your status as of Oct. 1.

A Census enumerator will call on you sometime during first few weeks of October to collect the questionnaire form.

Outline of the Census questionnaire form

Start Date: Oct. 1 (Sat.), 0:00 a.m.

Required for: All members of Japanese society who live in Japan on October 1st, 2005.

Items to fill out: 1) Your name and gender 2) Household status 3) Date of birth 4) Marital status 5) Nationality 6) Whether or not you work between Sept. 24 to 30 7) Hours worked between Sept. 25 to Oct.1 8) Location of work or school 9) Employed or independent business owner 10) Name of the company you belong to and type of the company 11) Type of work you do (occupation) 12) Number of household

members 13) Type of residence 14) Type of housing 15) Gloss floor area of your housing

Privacy Policy

To assure potential participants from you in this survey, all people related to this project, including enumerators, are required by law to keep any information they acquire confidential. Also, the information obtained from the Census will be treated confidentially and used only for statistical purposes. If you don't want the enumerators to see the contents of your completed questionnaire, you can seal it in the "Special Envelope for Population Census", which will be distributed to each household before you give your form to the enumerator. An enumerator must submit those envelopes to the municipal Census Desk without opening them. After the city accepts the sealed envelopes, they will be opened and checked only by a city officer. If the officer finds the form is incomplete, he/she will contact you by phone to confirm the missing information. Therefore, be sure not to forget to write your phone number down on the form.

Inquiries: General Affairs Section, General Affairs Department (Tel: 38-2059)

13th Ashiya Noh/ Noh Interlude Appreciation Programs



The story of Yoshitsune Minamoto, the brilliant general whose tactics won a string of victories that culminated in the demise of the Taira clan. During the first half of the play, you will see the story as told by an old fisherman, who conjures up the ghostly image of Yoshitsune. Also, the peaceful features of Yashima, the old battlefield with its melancholic tone are presented. The last half contrasts with the first, as the battle story is told in noble dignity and presented in a splendid display.

Date & Time: Nov. 25 (Fri.), 17:30 p.m. (doors open at 16:40 p.m.)

Place: Luna Hall (Ashiya)
Check more information about this event on page 4.

17th Ashiya Autumn Festival

Meet people in a town filled with the spirit of fall

Featuring a variety of fun events including parades of decorated floats, children's mikoshi, wind band concert, street fairs, local product exhibits and sales, a rice festival, flea market, children's dance performances and more!

Date & Time: Oct. 9 (Sun.) from 9:00 to 16:00

Place: Ground and East Road of the Ashiya Seido Elementary School

* The event will be held even if it rains; canceled if extreme weather. The cancellation notice will be posted on the web site.

* No trespassing on East Road of Seido Elementary School during the festival * There is no parking available.

Volunteers wanted!

We welcome volunteers to help manage this festival with association members

Hours: From 8:00 to 17:00 the day of the festival (Oct. 9)

Apply at the tent of the headquarter office at the site

More information for this event: Ashiya Autumn Festival Association (Section for Citizen's Participation in Planning, General Affairs Department) Tel. 38-2007

New Nursery Schools Open!

Hamakaze Yume Nursery School (Oct.1, 2005)

(Run by Social Welfare Corporation "Yume Kobo")

Place: Inside Municipal Hamakaze Elementary School Area

Age: From 3 to 5 years old

Capacity: Total 60 (20 for each age)

New Nursery School (name to be determined) (Apr.1, 2007)

(Run by Social Welfare Corporation "Yume Kobo")

Place: Old Yamate Kindergarten site

Age: From 0 to 5 years old

Capacity: Total 120 (20 for each age)

Inquiries: Children's Section, Tel. 38-2045

Notice for Recipients of Children's Allowance

Any unpaid amounts prior to the September disbursement will be deposited in the designated account on Oct. 14 (Fri.).

For first and second children: ¥5000/month

For third and subsequent children: ¥10,000/month

(Eligible children are those who have not yet completed third grade of elementary school.)

Inquiries: Children's Section, Tel. 38-2045

Garbage Collection Calendar

Paper and PET bottles	Nonburnables, cans and bottles	October							November						
Wednesday morning by 8:30	By 12:30 on designated day for area	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st week (Corrugated cardboard)	Bottles							1			1	2	3	4	5
2nd week (Magazines, fliers, etc.)	Other nonburnables	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
3rd week (PET bottles)	Cans	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
4th week (Newspapers, milk cartons)	Other nonburnables	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
5th week (Corrugated cardboard)	Bottles	²³ / ₃₀	²⁴ / ₃₁	25	26	27	28	29	27	28	29	30			

“Garbage Collection Schedule by Area” is delivered to those who registered to receive delivery of the Ashiya Newsletter when this issue (October 1, 2005) is published. “Garbage Collection Schedule by Area” is available anytime at ACA, Ashiya Cosmopolitan Association, so please feel free to take one. Collection schedule for December will be provided in the next issue of Ashiya Newsletter.

City Tax Payments Due Notice

October

Individual City/Prefecture Resident Tax (3rd Period)
Inquiries: Resident Tax Subsection, Taxation Section (Tel. 38-2016)

Municipal Corporate Tax/ Business Facility Tax (for companies whose fiscal year finishes on August 31)

Inquiries: Management Subsection, Taxation Section (Tel. 38-2015)

* Taxes must be filed and paid by Oct. 31 (Mon.).

November

Municipal Corporate Tax/ Business Facility Tax (for companies whose fiscal year finishes on Sep.30)

Inquiries: Management Subsection, Taxation Section (Tel. 38-2015)

* Taxes must be filed and paid by Nov. 30 (Wed.).

December

Fixed Assets Tax/ City Planning Tax (Third Period)
Inquiries: Fixed Assets Tax Subsection, Taxation Section (Tel. 38-2017)

* Taxes must be filed and paid by Dec. 26 (Mon.).

Municipal Corporate Tax/ Business Facility Tax (for companies whose fiscal year finishes on Oct. 31)
Inquiries: Management Subsection, Taxation Section (Tel. 38-2015)

* Taxes must be filed and paid by Jan. 4, 2006 (Wed.).

Clinic Open for Emergency at Night

Services are available from 20:00 to 23:00

Date	Clinic Name	Specialty	Address	Tel.
Oct. 7(Fri.)	Kohara Pediatric & Internal Clinic	Pediatric & Internal Medicine	7-1 Nangu-cho	22-0338
Oct. 14(Fri.)	Suzuki Pediatric	Pediatric	7-2-105 Takahama-cho	34-0766
Oct.21(Fri.)	Hayashi Orthopedic & Surgery Clinic	Orthopedic & Surgery	7-2-105 Takahama-cho	32-8880
Oct. 28 (Fri.)	Omori Clinic	Internal Medicine	3-4 Hamakaze-cho	32-3997
Nov. 4 (Fri.)	Yoshitatsu Clinic	Internal & Surgery	7-2 Shiomi-cho	32-2855
Nov. 11 (Fri.)	Ashiya Hashimoto Clinic	Internal & dialysis	6-31 Narihira-cho	21-3131
Nov. 18 (Fri.)	Tominaga Clinic	Internal & Pediatric	10-20 Kimmitu-cho	22-3823
Nov. 25 (Fri.)	Yamada Clinic	Internal Medicine	11-16 Nangu-cho	22-9351
Dec. 2 (Fri.)	Kakinuma Obstetrician and Gynecologist	Obstetrician and gynecologist & Internal	7-11 Kimmitsu-cho	31-1234
Dec. 9 (Fri.)	Nomura Clinic	Internal, Neurology & Rheumatology	5-10 Ise-cho	22-5505
Dec.16 (Fri.)	Sugioka Clinic	Internal Medicine	13-8 Midorigaoka-cho	25-5335

* Please note that the above schedule is subject to change.

Hyogo Prefecture Health and Welfare Office Program Schedule

(Tel. 32-0707) (in Ashiya City)

Program Name		Day/ Hours	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Infant Development Consultations		2nd Thur., 13:30 – 14:30	13	10	8
Psychological Consultations for Parents and Children		2nd Tue., 13:30 – 14:30	11	8	13
Psychological Consultations		2nd Wed., 13:30 – 14:30	12	9	14
Tuberculosis Checkups		3rd Tue., 14:00 – 16:00	18	15	20
Clinic (General Health Consultations & Workplace Checkups) HIV Antibody Checkups HCV Antibody Checkups HBs Antigen Checkups	Clinic Test Date	1st & 3rd Fri., 13:00 – 14:00 (HIV/HCV/HBs test, 14:00 – 14:30)	7 21	4 18	2 -
	Post-Test Instruction Date	2nd & 4th Fri., 14:00 – 14:30 (HIV/HCV/HBs test result: two weeks after the test)	14 28	11 25	9 -
Families of Alcoholics Program		2nd Fri., 10:00 – 12:00	14	11	9
“Good Luck” Consultations on Rehabilitation of mentally Challenged Patients		1st & 3rd Wed., 10:00 – 12:00	5 19	2 16	7 21
Mental Health Volunteers’ Gathering at El Home Ashiya		4th Fri., 10:00 – 12:00	28	25	-
Families of Elderly Persons with Senile Dementia “Ajisai Hydrangea Club”. Held at Ohara Day Service Center on Dates with ().		3rd Mon., 13:30 – 15:30	17	(21)	19
Specialized Nutritional Consultations		1st & 2nd Tue., 10:00 – 12:00	4 11	1 8	6 13

Ashiya Health Center

Tel: 31-1586 Fax: 31-1018

Program	Hours	Place	Age, Fee and Others		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
BCG vaccinations	13:30 – 14:30	Ashiya Health Center	From 3 to 5 months old Items to bring: Maternity passbook (Boshi Kenko Techo), application form and thermometer	BCG	24	–	14
Expectant parents' classes (reservations required)	13:30 –	Ashiya Health Center	Fee: 1,000 yen for expectant mothers 5 months pregnant or less	First period	5,19,26	–	7,14,21
			Fee: Free for expectant mothers 6 months pregnant or more	Second period	–	9,30	–
			Bathing classes (with fathers)		12	–	14
Health consultations for pregnant women	13:30 – 15:30	Ashiya Health Center	Consultation with maternity nurse		17	21	19
Home visits to newborn babies	Anytime	Ashiya Health Center	For applicant only	Anytime			
Child-rearing consultations	9:30 – 10:30	Ashiya Health Center	Physical measurement, child-rearing consultation (Free of charge) Item to bring: Maternity passbook (Boshi Kenko Techo)		20	17	15
Child-rearing classes	9:45 – 11:30	Ashiya Health Center	From 6 to 7 months old (Free of charge) Item to bring: Maternity passbook (Boshi Kenko Techo)		24	28	19
Health checkups for 4-month-olds	13:00 – 13:45	Hyogo Prefecture Health and Welfare Office	Notice will be sent (Free of charge)		4,25	15,22	6,20
Health checkups for 10-month-olds	Anytime	Designated medical facilities	Notice will be sent (Free of charge)	Anytime at designated medical facilities			
Health checkups for 18-month-olds	13:15 – 14:00	Ashiya Health Center	Notice will be sent (Free of charge)		13,27	10,24	8,22
Health checkups for 3-year-olds	13:15 – 14:00	Hyogo Prefecture Health and Welfare Office	Notice will be sent (Free of charge)		6,20	17	1,15
Allergy checkups	13:00 – 14:00	Ashiya Health Center	Consultation with pediatric doctor (Free of charge)		21	18	16
Allergy consultations (appointment required)	9:30 – 10:30	Ashiya Health Center	Consultation about atopic dermatitis (eczema) and more		3	7	5
Periodontal disease prevention class	13:00 – 14:30	Dentist Association Hall	Free of charge		19	16	21
Home visits to people to prevent their becoming bedridden	Anytime	Apply to Ashiya Health Center	Patients over 40 years old (Free of charge)	Anytime			
Home visits for dental care to those who are bedridden			Patients over 60 years old (bedridden or in a similar situation) (Free of charge)				
Citizens' health checkups (lung cancer tests for those aged 40 or above)	9:30 – 10:30	Ashiya Health Center	Over 16 years old: Chest X-ray, blood-pressure check and urine analysis (Free of charge) Over 40 years old: In addition to Chest X-ray, blood-pressure check and urine analysis, an ECG and blood test at 800 yen. For blood drawing, applicants must not eat and drink before the test. Expectant mother: Urine analysis, blood-pressure check and blood test (appointment required)	Mobile health checkups for City residents	1,4,8	2	
		Ashiya Health Center	Anemia tests for 16 years old and older for 130 yen. Hepatitis tests for 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65 and 70 year olds at 1000 yen. Prostate cancer tests for 50 year olds and over at 1,000 yen.				
Anemia tests/ Hepatitis tests/ Prostate cancer tests							
Health checkups (appointment required)	9:15 –	Ashiya Health Center	For people over 35 years old, at 9,000 yen for 11 tests for prevention of Lifestyle- related Diseases.		3,4,7,31	7,11	5,6,9
Osteoporosis checkups (appointment required)	9:30 – 10:00	Ashiya Health Center	Over 20 years old 1,000 yen if (checked by ultrasound)		25	25	16
Nutritional consultations (appointment required)	9:30 – 11:00	Ashiya Health Center	Consultation with nutritionist for adults (Free of charge)		18	15	20
Health consultations (appointment required)	13:00 – 15:00	Ashiya Health Center	Consultation with doctor for adults (Free of charge)		4,25	8,29	6,26
Stomach cancer tests (appointment required)	9:15 – 10:30	Ashiya Health Center	Over 35 years old at 3,500 yen	Mondays and Thursdays			
Cancer of the large intestine tests	Submit sample in the morning	Ashiya Health Center	Over 40 years old at 800 yen	Tuesdays mornings			
Get-together for seniors (functional training)	9:30 – 11:30	Shiomi Elementary School	Aimed at "house plants", i.e., people who don't want to leave the house – for those over 65 years old		18	15	20
Health classes, (reservations required)	13:30 –	Ashiya Health Center	Preventing cancer of the large intestine		–	25	–

Clinic Open During Holidays

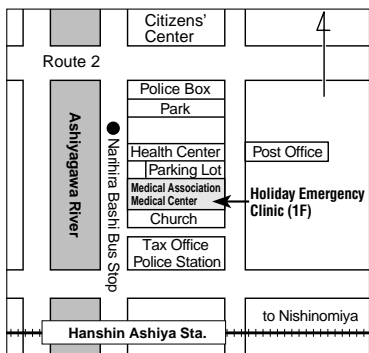
Name: Ashiya Municipal Holiday Emergency Clinic

Address: 5-13 Kimmitsu-cho, Ashiya-shi

Tel: 21-2782

Medical departments: Internal medicine, pediatrics
Days: Sundays and national holidays
Hours: 9:00 to 17:00

*Evening services are available on a rotating basis, please call the Fire Department (Tel:32-2345) for the clinic on duty.



Dentists (Hours are from 9:00 to 12:00)

Date	Day	Clinic Name	Address	Phone Number
Oct. 2	Sunday	Hashitani Dental Clinic	10-19 Nangu-cho	23-8511
Oct. 9	Sunday	Hashimoto Dental Clinic	6-2 Chayano-cho	22-3393
Oct. 10	Monday	Sakita Dental Clinic	4-1-402 Funado-cho	32-4180
Oct. 16	Sunday	Hanaoka Dental Clinic	6-4 Takezono-cho	38-5533
Oct. 23	Sunday	Hamamoto Dental Clinic	7-1-201 Seido-cho	21-2288
Oct. 30	Sunday	Harada Dental Clinic	3-7 Maeda-cho	31-3033
Nov. 3	Thursday	Koda Dental Clinic	4-2 Kasuga-cho	25-1182
Nov. 6	Sunday	Hirose Dental Clinic	4-8-105 Nishiyama-cho	23-6420
Nov. 13	Sunday	Fujita Dental Clinic	7-10-201 Kimmitsu-cho	25-0646
Nov. 20	Sunday	Makihata Dental Clinic	1-16 Uchide-cho	22-3233
Nov. 23	Wednesday	Masuda Dental Clinic	11-15 Shinnozuka-cho	22-5359
Nov. 27	Sunday	Matsuki Dental Clinic	23-8-101 Kasuga-cho	23-8811
Dec. 4	Sunday	Seaside Mizoi Dental Clinic	7-2-105 Takahama-cho	32-1008
Dec. 11	Sunday	Yoshikawa Dental Clinic	5-12-202 Kurekawa-cho	32-6178
Dec. 18	Sunday	Muraoka Dental Clinic	5-14-202 Higashiyama-cho	34-6430
Dec. 23	Friday	Yorifuji Dental Clinic	1-13 Miyazuka-cho	22-5941
Dec. 25	Sunday	Wakabayashi Dental Clinic	4-1-407 Funado-cho	22-4882
Dec. 29	Thursday	Seiai Dental Clinic	1-11 Kasuga-cho	32-0356
Dec. 30	Friday	Yoshizaki Dental Clinic	4-10 Nishiashiya-cho	31-8020
Dec. 31	Saturday	Takada Clinic	10-5 Hama-cho	31-2229

EVENTS

Peace Memorial Ceremony for Non-Nuclear Declaration of the 60th Anniversary of Atomic Bomb Victims, the 20th Anniversary of Declaration of Ashiya's Non-Nuclear Peace City

Date: Oct. 10 (Mon., national holiday)
Time: from 13:30 (Doors open at 13:00)
Place: Luna Hall
Fee: ¥1000 for adults, ¥500 for junior high and high school students
Inquiries: Ashiya Nuclear-free Peace Memorial Ceremony Executive Committee, Tel. 35-1626

33rd Sports Event for the Elderly

This year, the annual sport event for the elderly will take place again. Come exercise in the crisp autumn breeze. We are looking forward to seeing many people there.
Date: Oct. 15 (Sat.)
Time: 10:00 to 14:30
*The event will be canceled if it rains
Place: Kawanishi Athletic Field
Inquiries: Elderly Welfare Section
Tel. 38-2044

Stalls opens for Flea Market!

"Ashiya Autumn Festival", annual autumn event around JR Ashiya Station
Date: Nov. 3 (Thur., national holiday)
Time: 11:00 to 17:00
* The event will be held even if it rains; canceled if extreme weather
Place: Pedestrian deck, 2F, JR Ashiya station north side
Fee: ¥3,000 (2.7m x 3.6m wide)

Product: Handicrafts and artworks
To apply: Contact the Ashiya Autumn Festival executive committee by Oct. 14 (Fri.), Tel. 38-2500

Friday Cinema Salon

Time: From 13:30 (Door open from 13:15)
Place: Ashiya Municipal Library, 2F Meeting Room
-American Western Movie Month (In English with Japanese subtitle)
Oct. 7: "Johnny Guitar" (1954, USA) 109 min.
Oct. 21: "Shane" (1953, USA) 118 min.
-French Movie Month (In French with Japanese subtitle)
Nov. 4: "Les Grandes Manoeuvres" (1955, France) 107 min.
Nov. 18: "Thérèse Raquin" (1952, France) 107 min.
-American Literature Movie Month (In English with Japanese subtitle)
Dec. 2: "Moby Dick" (1956, USA) 116 min
December 16: "The Snows of Kilimanjaro" (1952, USA) 117 min.

13th Ashiya Noh/ Noh Interlude Appreciation Programs

Date & Time: Nov. 25 (Fri.), 17:30 p.m. (doors open at 16:40 p.m.)
Place: Luna Hall (Ashiya)
Programs: Maibayashi "Kantan" by Hideo Kanze & "Kocho" by Tetsunojo Kanze, Noh Interlude "Kamabara" by Sensaku Shigeyama & Sengoro Shigeyama and Noh "Yashima (Daiji)" by Reisaburo Nagayama, Sigejuro Fukuoh & Kozo Nagayama and more.
Fee: In advance, ¥3,000; at the door, ¥3,500 (general admission seating only)
Ticket Sales: Mont et Mer Daichiku, Ashiya Foundation of Culture office in the Ashiya Citizens' Center, City Office shop, Gift certificate sales corner of Ashiya Daimaru Department Store, Ashiya City Museum of Art and History and Lawson Tickets
* Tickets are available from October 15.
* No tickets on the day of the event available if advanced sale tickets are sold out.
Inquiries: Ashiya Foundation of Culture (Tel. 31-4962)

Proclamation Declaring Ashiya a Non-Nuclear City

The Rokko mountainsides, their rich greenery and fresh air, their natural beauty – this is our treasure, and we wish to leave it in inheritance to children of the future.

Nevertheless, as if flaunting this aspiration, nuclear weapons continue to multiply, pushing the world to the brink of extinction. Nuclear disarmament, a life or death issue for the human race, can only be seen as the most urgent concern facing us today.

Trusting in the reason and resolution of people throughout the world as repeatedly expressed since World War II, in order to bequeath this irreplaceable planet of life, this clear and shining Earth, to children yet to be born, we once more unite our voices and hearts to call to the world to rid all countries of nuclear weapons. With hope that Japan will strictly adhere to the three antinuclear principles of its national policy, we resolve that our city, Ashiya, will in no way allow the use of nuclear weapons, and we hereby declare it a Non-Nuclear city.

The Ashiya City Council (passed on October 15, 1985)



Events by Ashiya Cosmopolitan Association (October ~ December)

Thank you for the Soprano Recorders Donation!

Our website has been redesigned!

This is the official web site of Ashiya Cosmopolitan Association. Please come visit our newly designed web-site at <http://www.kcc.zaq.ne.jp/aca/>

Volunteer Groups Active! (Study Groups)

Various volunteer groups are studying foreign languages and international cultures at ACA. Please contact the ACA office for more information.

Show trainees of Marine Technical College around Ashiya

Join us on our city tour for trainees from Philippine, Indonesia and Bangladesh.
Date & Time: Oct. 21 (Fri.), 12:30 to 16:00
City tour is from 13:10 to 15:00
Limit: Approx. 40 people who can make daily conversation in English

Orientation meeting: Oct. 7 (Fri.) from 13:30
Place: ACA
Fee: Free (need reservation)

Volunteers Wanted!

We welcome volunteers to help with the following: 1) dividing and preparing our newsletter for delivery in our office, delivering the newsletter to houses in Ashiya; 2) helping with proofreading English-translated newsletters once a month (people who can handle both Japanese and English are welcome)

2005 ACA Members Wanted!

The minimum membership fee per fiscal year is:
¥2,000 for an individual members
¥15,000 for a corporation members
For application and inquiry, contact Ashiya Cosmopolitan Association(ACA)
La Mall Ashiya 2F, 2-6-209 Ohara-cho, Ashiya-shi, Hyogo-ken 659-0092
Tel: 34-6340 Fax: 34-6341

Post your story for our newsletter "Kawaraban"!

A newsletter is issued four times a year by ACA endeavors to establish friendship between ACA support members and promote international exchange activities. Why don't you post your experiences, such as notes of your travels abroad and other subjects on international exchange?

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