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1. Medical Services on Weekends

Hours: 9:30a.m.- 2:00p.m., except noon-1:00p.m.(Hours are available for all locations.)

Sun. 11: Tokai Village Hospital ph. 029-282-2188

Sun. 18: Ogata Clinic ph. 029-282-4781

Sun. 25: Ibarakihigashi National Hospital ph. 029-282-1151

Ibaraki Prefecture 24 Hour Emergency Medical Information Control Center, ph. 029-241-4199

Ibaraki Children's Resource Line, ph. #8000 (touch-tone phones and mobile phones) or 029-254-9900: everyday 6:30p.m.-00:30a.m., Sundays, public holidays, Monday 29 December, 2014- 3 Saturday January, 2015 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

2. Light Vehicle Tax

2014 tax notices for small cars have been sent out to owners.

Deadline for paying: Monday 2 June, 2014

Place to pay: Payments can be made at banks, some convenience stores and the Japan Post Bank (in Kanto and Yamanashi prefectures) designated on the back of the notice. Other: If paying by direct debit from a bank account, please ensure there is sufficient balance in your account.

Anyone who has not received or has lost the tax notice, or has junked the car before Tuesday 1 April 2014, please inquire at the Tax Section.

Tax reduction or exemption:

Anyone with a disability or who has difficulty in walking can apply for a tax reduction or exemption.

Eligibility: The car owner should be disabled or share living expenses with a disabled person, and the driver of the car should be either disabled, the caretaker of a disabled person, or share living expenses with a disabled person.

One car (standard size or light car) or motor bike per person may be exempt.

Application: Apply at the Tax Section in the Village Office by Fri. 24 May.

The office is open every day except weekends.

Bring the 2014 tax notice, certification of disability (shougaisha techo), personal seal, and license of the car driver.

Inquiries: Municipal Tax, Tax Section, 029-282-1711 ext. 1117-1119

3. Extension of Administrative Service Time

Date: Every 1st and 3rd Thursday

Time: 8:30a.m.-7:00p.m.

Services and Sections:

Civil Registration Section; Resident registration, seal (hanko) registration, passport issuance, and publishing of other certifications and permissions.

National Health Insurance and Pension Section; Procedures of national health insurance and national pension plan, issuance of Mother and Child Health Handbook (boshi kenko techo)

Social Welfare Section; Procedures for day-care center, application of children allowance and child-rearing

Welfare and Nursing Care Section; Application of long-term care insurance and support of the elderly.

Accounting Section; Payment of tax(except national tax, prefectural tax and national pension premiums) and royalties.

Tax Section; Issuance of certifications, (local) taxpayer assistance (needs reservation)

Waterworks Section; Procedures to supply public water, payment of water and sewage bills.

For more information visit: <http://www.vill.tokai.ibaraki.jp/>

4. Stomach Cancer Check

Appointments are required for the stomach cancer check.

Date:

Monday; 2 & 23 June, 14 July

Tuesday; 10 & 24 June, 22 July

Wednesday; 4 & 25 June, 23 & 30 July

Thursday; 5 & 26 June, 3 & 24 July

Friday; 13 & 27 June, 11 July

Saturday; 19 July

Reception: from 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Place: Kizuna Public Health Center

Application: Appointments are required for the stomach cancer check. Please phone after Friday 16 May (except weekends), from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and make a reservation. If you have recently moved to Tokai-mura, apply also by phone to the Public Health Center.

Inquiries: Public Health Center, ph. 029-282-2797

5. Subsidy for Rubella Antibody Test

Ibaraki Prefectural government will subsidize the expense of antibody tests to protect pregnant women against rubella.

Eligible people: Residents (women) of Ibaraki Prefecture who fulfill all the conditions below.

(1) Born after 1 April, 1990.

(2) Planning a pregnancy, or has high chance of pregnancy.

(3) Have not received a rubella antibody check or the health check for pregnant women.

(4) Have no patient record of rubella at the time of diagnosis.

(5) Have never received a rubella vaccination.

Deadline: March 31, 2015

Application: See the website below and make a reservation by phone at designated hospitals and clinics.

<http://www.pref.ibaraki.jp/bukyoku/hoken/yobo/yobo/.htm>

Inquiry: Ibaraki Prefecture Insurance Prevention Section ph. 029-301-3219

6. New Members for Poran Circle

Poran Circle is a parent and child support group where you can do eurhythmics, and play in the sand with toddlers of Tulip Daycare Center.

Terms: June, 2014-February, 2015

Time: 9:30-11:00a.m.

Place: Tulip Daycare Center

Eligible people and date:

Circle for 1 year old children (born in April, 2012 - March, 2013) meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday. Apply on Wednesday, 14 May, from 9:30- 11:30 a.m. at Tulip Daycare Center by phone.

Circle for 2 and 3 year old children (born in April, 2010 – March, 2012 meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday, apply on Thursday, 15 May, from 9:30- 11:30 a.m. at Tulip Daycare Center by phone.

There is a limit of 20 pairs for each circle.

Cost: Free

Others: Pre-school children meet every Friday from 9:50 - 10:30 a.m. for eurhythmics. No appointment necessary.

Inquiries: Tulip Daycare Center ph. 029-282-3158

7. Tokai-mura Wind Orchestra Festival

Robert Childs, who is an authority on brass band, and an internationally famous euphonium player, will perform at a concert with Tokai-mura Wind Orchestra and the students' orchestra of Tokai.

Date: Sun. 29 Jun., 2014

Time: 2:00 p.m. (doors open at 1:30 p.m.)

Place: Tokai Culture Center

Tickets: Admission free (nonreserved seats)/ up to 4 tickets per person. Seating limited to the first 700 people.

Tickets will be handed out starting at 9:00a.m. on Saturday, 31 May at Tokai Culture Center.

Others: Preschoolers are welcome but babysitting is available for 1000 yen per child during the concert, and bookings must be made by Sunday, 22 June.

Inquiries: Tokai Culture Center, ph. 029-282-8511

8. Ryujin(-ohtsuribashi) Big Suspension Bridge Koinobori Festival in Hitachiota City

About a thousand koinobori carp streamers can be viewed, and thrilling bungee jumping from 100 meters high has opened. There are also products on display and a photo contest.

Date: Until Sunday 18 May, 2014

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Place: Ryujin(-ohtsuribashi) Big Suspension Bridge in Ryujin-kyo Valley (2133-6 Kegano-cho, Hitachiota-shi)

Inquiries: Hitachiota-city Tourism and Local Products Association ph. 0294-72-8194

9. Information for playing at rocky shores in Hitachinaka City

Crabs, hermit crabs and little fishes can be interacted with at the rocky shores.

Date: Until October

Location: From Hiraiso to Isozaki beach area

Inquiries: Tourism Promotion Division, Hitachinaka City Office, ph. 029-273-0111

10. The 11th Michi-no-ichi Market at Kasama City

Many professional and amateur craftsmen and artists will exhibit and sell their work at the Michi-no-ichi Market in Kasama, the place where visitors and locals meet.

Time: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (8.June will be until 4:00 p.m.)

Date: Sat. 7 and Sun. 8 Jun., 2014

Place: The intersection between Benten-cho and Kasama Chamber of Commerce

Inquiries: Michi-no-ichi Committee at Sakura Gas, Inc. ph. 0296-72-0119