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## INFORMATION

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Happy New Year 2017 !

May This Year Be Happy and Fruitful



<A View of Mt. Fuji from Senbon Matsubara pine grove>

### Information from City Hall

#### Consultation for Foreigners on Life in Japan

Inquiries: Civic Collaboration Division ☎ 055-934-4717

When: Feb.12 (Sun), 13:30 – 16:00(accept from 13:00 to 15:30)

Where: San-Well Numazu 2F, big conference room

Contents: legal problem, labor problem, immigration procedure, counseling on international marriage, administrative matters, etc.



Applicant: a foreigner or a person concerned.

Collaborating organization: Shizuoka Gyoseishoshi-kai, Shizuoka Bar Association, etc.

Languages of interpreters: English, Spanish, Chinese, Portuguese

How to apply: By phone

\* A person who has reserved beforehand has a priority. Please bring paperwork you need for counseling.

## Events

### International Sports Meeting

Applications & Inquiries:

Numazu Association for International Communication & Exchange (NICE), ☎055-934-4717

When: Jan.28 (Sat), 14:00~16:30 / Where: Civic Gym

Contents: *pankui* race (a race for the buns), an eleven-legged face, etc.

Capacity: 50 people each for Japanese and foreigners

What to bring: gym shoes, towel / How to apply: by phone

### Numazu Sweets Run

Inquiries: Commerce and Industry Promotion Division, ☎ 055-934-4748

This “Sweets & Running” is a perfect event for people who are interested in marathon and diet as well as sweets. You can enjoy seven bite-size sweets from about 15 different kind of sweets station along the 2.5km marathon course.

When: Feb. 26 (Sun), 11:00 ~ 13:00 (In case of rain, it will be cancelled.)

Meeting place: Central Park

Course: circle course between Central Park and Minato-Ohashi Bridge (2.5km per one lap)

Capacity: about 800 people

Entry fee: 1,500 yen (by bank transfer in advance)

How to apply: in person or through the website by Feb. 3 (Fri)

Applications and Inquiries: Numazu Running & Skills Station, ☎ 055-952-3222

Website: <http://n-sta.com/>



### Numazu Sweets Festa on the same day

You can get many kinds of sweets, and enjoy a variety of performances such as kids dance, street performance, high school cheering group, singer and songwriter in

Time:



Numazu, etc. Where: Central Park

10:00 ~ 16:00 (It will be canceled only in case of heavy rain.)



※ Please refer to the website above for more information.

## Events

### Photo Rogaining Nippon 2017 in Numazu ~ Visiting the Numazu Heritage part II ~

Inquiries: Numazu Heritage Promotion Division, ☎ 055-934-4811

When: Mar. 19 (Sun), 9:15 ~ (It will be held even if it rains.)

Meeting place: Kira Messe Numazu in Plaza Verde

Game area: within a 5 kilometer radius including the meeting place

Class Category: 3-hour Class, 5-hour Class (The Classes are further divided into sub-categories by gender, age, etc.)

Capacity: 140 teams or 350 people for each class

Fee: Adult = 3,300 yen /person (3-hour Class), 3,800 yen /person (5-hour Class)

Junior high school students and younger = 1,000 yen / person (for both Classes)

Application Deadline: Feb. 26 (Sun)

※For more information, please refer to the website below.

Applications and Inquiries: Photo Rogaining NIPPON 2017 Numazu Office, ☎ 03-5776-5342

Website: <http://photorogaining.jp/2017numazu/>

#### ~ What is Photo Rogaining? ~

Photo Rogaining is an orienteering sport that combines sightseeing and scoring points by visiting checkpoints with the event map in a certain amount of time then taking photos that looks the same as the sample photos on the checkpoint list. Checkpoints are scored differently, so each team strategizes, choosing which checkpoints to visit, and in what order, in order to maximize their score within the time limit.

A lot of people from inside/outside the city will take part in this event on the day.

Please cheer them on at the checkpoints.



**Photo** At the checkpoints, you have a photo taken in a designated pose.

## Events

### 2017 Numazu Flea Market & Consumer Exhibition

Inquiries: Garbage Control Promotion Division ☎ 055-934-4743 / Civic Consultation Center ☎ 055-934-4841

**When: Feb. 5 (Sun) 10:00 ~ 14:30**

**Where: Plaza Verde (Kiramesse Numazu)**

**Fee: Free**

※Please bring your own bag for shopping

### ◆Flea Market

There are 176 booths. You may find items that you have been looking for.



### ◆Consumer Exhibition

#### \*Stage Events

Time	Content
11:00 ~	The award ceremony for “Numazu Environmental friendly activity contest”
11:40 ~	The class for traffic safety and crime-prevention
12:50 ~	The short drama performance on “consumer”
13:20 ~	<i>Kamishibai</i> (paper play) on “consumer”

#### \*Booth at the site

- Vegetables directly from the farm and local products will be sold.
- Environmental friendly activities and consumer life are introduced through panels.

Let's participate in the quiz rally and get a nice prize! It will make your life more convenient and comfortable.

### Let's Learn to Have Better Communication Lectured by Yoshimoto Comedians

Yoshimoto comedians and “*Enmusubi tai* (matchmakers in Numazu)” will support you to find your future husband or wife.

Applications and Inquiries: Policy Planning Division, ☎ 055-934-4704

When: Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> (Sun), 18:30~21:00

Where: Numazu Raccoon Yoshimoto Gekijyo (Ootemachi)

Applicants: 30 ~ 40 year-old single man and woman

\*Please bring your driver's license or passport. We check your date of birth.

Capacity: men and women (30 people each)

How to apply: Visit Numazu city homepage and fill the application form by Feb. 3 (Fri).

Lecturer: Denis, Trendy angel and Abe Kouji

Contents:

- Enjoy Yoshimoto comedy shows live
- Comedians give you advice on meeting a new partner, being in the relationship, marriage and making up with your partner based on their experiences.

- Let's enjoy talking among the participants!

※Please visit city website for further information.





## **Child Raising**

### **Let's expand The Circle of Easy Child Raising!**



#### **Event**

##### **Cooking Class for 3-year-old kids**

When: ①Feb.9(Thu) 10:00~13:00 ②Mar.2(Thu) 10:00~13:00

Where: Health Center (cooking room)

Applicants: children living in Numazu born between Oct.1, 2013 and Apr.1, 2014, and their parents

Capacity: 18 pairs (in order of arrival)

Fee: 220 yen for a person (ingredients and insurance fee)

What to bring: *Boshi Kenko Techo* (mother and child health handbook), hand towel, apron, bandana (for mums & kids), spoon & fork for kids

How to apply: by phone from Jan.24 (Tue) 8:30

Applications & inquiries: Health Promotion Division (Health Center) ☎055-951-3480



#### **Information**

##### **Eye Exam for Children**

When: Feb.23(Thu), Mar.23(Thu) 14:40~

Where: Health Center

Contents: eyesight test by orthoptist, consultation about eye-related problems (about 20 minutes per person.)

Applicants: children from 3-year-old to pre-school age

Capacity: 3 children per day

How to apply: by phone

Applications & inquiries: Health Promotion Division (Health Center) ☎055-951-3480



#### **Information**

##### **"How to Throw a Ball" Lesson**

Softball players of Hitachi Softball Club will instruct children how to throw a ball.

When: Feb.25 (Sat) 9:00~12:00

Where: Ooka elementary school (gymnasium, ground)

Applicants: elementary school children who are not good at throwing balls, and their parents

Capacity: about 50 pairs

How to apply: by phone by Feb.3 (Fri)

Applications & inquiries: Sports Promotion Division ☎055-922-7200

## **Information from City Hall**

Applications & inquiries: Health Promotion Division (Health Center) ☎055-951-3480

### **Consultation on Stress and Health Check**



#### **Consultation on Stress**

If you can't sleep, have no appetite, feel uncomfortable, etc., how about talking with a clinical psychotherapist?

When: Feb.16(Thu), Mar.9(Thu) 13:30~16:30 (about an hour per person)

Where: Health Center

Applicants: people aged 18 and older, who's having mental issues (a person is not going to a clinic), or their family members

Capacity: 3 people each day (in order of arrival)

How to apply: by phone from Jan.23(Mon) 8:30



#### **Health Check**

If you are worried about weight fluctuation and life-style related diseases, or need a barometer of health care, how about taking a health check?

When: weekdays 9:00~16:15

Where: Health Center

Contents: bone density, body composition, carbon monoxide concentration measurement, etc.

Applicants: people aged 20 and older living in Numazu

How to apply: by phone

### **Subsidy on Fertility Treatment and Infertility**

Kinds of treatment: general fertility treatment, particular fertility treatment, male infertility treatment, or infertility

Amount of subsidy: half of the whole amount of treatment including health insurance treatment

Maximum of subsidy for a couple: 300,000 yen per year

Term of subsidy: for 5 years

\*Please see our homepage for details.

### **Weekend Service for the Delivery of Vaccination Tickets**

When: Feb.18(Sat) 8:30~12:00

Where: Health Center

Contents: providing vaccination tickets, consultation on vaccination, etc.

What to bring: *Boshi Kenko Techo* (Mother and child health handbook) for a child

\*You cannot have a vaccination shot at the counter.



## **Classes, Lectures**



### **Hanging Basket Class**

Applications and inquiries: Numazu-city Ryokkasuishin Kyogikai

Numazu City Hall 〒410-8601 ☎ 055-934-4795

When: Feb. 16(Thu), 13:30 to 15:00

Where: Senbon Plaza, Multi-purpose Hall

Lecturer: Mr. Yoshimi Hamashima (a green adviser)

Applicant: people living in Numazu

Capacity: 40 people(in case of a lot of applicants, there will be a drawing.)

Fee: 2,500yen( for materials)

Things to bring: thin plastic gloves and flower scissors

How to apply: write address, name, age, telephone number(contactable on the day), the name of the class, e-mail address(if you have it.) on a double sided post card and send it by mail or e-mail.

e-mail address: [ryokuti@city.numazu.lg.jp](mailto:ryokuti@city.numazu.lg.jp)

Deadline: Feb. 8(Wed), no later than the day.

\*One post card or one e-mail has only one application.

### **Elementary Qualification Course to Prevent Dementia- Useful Even at Home**

Application and inquires: Brain Activation Trainer Association, Okada-san ☎ 090-3254-9735

Inquiries: Longevity and Care Division ☎ 055-934-4835

It is the lecture to learn the knowledge and training menus of dementia prevention, which is helpful in homes and communities.

When: Feb. 11(Hol) from 10:00 to 17:00

Where: Numazu Rosei-kaikan, No.3 meeting room (takashima hon-cho)

Capacity: 30people (first come first served basis)

Fee: 7,560yen(including text books)

How to apply: by phone from 10:00 on Jan. 23(Mon.)

## **Events**

### **Calligraphy/ Poster Work Exhibition of Bright Election Enlightenment**

Inquiries: Election Administration Commission Secretariat Office ☎ 055-934-4815

A display of excellent works of calligraphy and posters for bright election enlightenment created by children and students in the city.

When: Feb. 10(Fri) to 15(Wed) (It is closed on 13(Mon))

Where: Numazu City Library, Exhibition Hall

### **Lecture on Dementia Prevention**

Application and inquiries: Longevity and Care Division ☎ 055-934-4866

When: Feb. 25(Sat) ①14:00 to 15:00②15:15 to 16:15

Where: San-Well Numazu, Multi-purpose Hall ① Mr. Nobutake Nagasawa (the director of Numazu-city Dentist Association) gives the lecture on the importance of oral care in dementia prevention. ② Brain health check using screens (the results will be mailed.)

Applicants: ① Anyone ② The people aged 65 to 84 who participated in ①.(except the people who have certified nursing care insurance).

Capacity: 100 people (first come first served basis.)

How to apply: by phone from 9:00 on Jan. 23(Mon)

### **Bicycle Festival, Cycle Style *Izu* in KIRA Messe Numazu**



Inquiries: Policy Planning Division ☎055-934-4798

Some demonstration booths of sporty bicycle will get together at the site. Lessons for road bikes and mountain bikes and trial ride are available there.

There is a café booth. Women also can enjoy participating in them.

When: Jan. 28(Sat), 10:00~15:30

Where: Plaza Verde, Kira Messe

\*No reservation is required. Come to the venue on the day. Please refer to the website about the details.

### **Photo Exhibition “*Enashi Saijiki* (Annual Events), the Life at the Beach**

Inquiries: History & Folklore Museum ☎055-932-6266

Through the photos which were taken from 1955 to 1996 in *Enashi* in *Nishiura area* in *Numazu*, we look back on people's life at the beach.

When: Feb. 7(Tue) ~May 7(Sun), 9:00~16:00

Where: History & Folklore Museum

Fee: 100 yen for an adult, ¥50 for an elementary and a junior high school student as the fee for Numazu Imperial Villa Park.

Off day: Monday (except Holiday), next day of Holiday and the last weekday of each month

### **Rape Blossoms Festival in Ita**

Inquiries: *Ita Miryoku Sosityutsu* Project Executive Committee, Okuda-san  
☎090-3304-6582

Tourism & Exchange Division ☎055-934-4747

Why don't you eat Ita's local special dish, such as deep fried rape and miso soup with deep-sea fish, seeing “Ita's rape blossoms' field” and Mt. Fuji.

When: Feb. 5(Sun), 10:00~14:00 (If it rains, it will be postponed to 12<sup>th</sup>)

Where: around rape blossom field (in Ita)





## **Information from City Hall**

### **Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> (Tue) is the Due Date of the Payment for Municipal & Prefectural Tax and National Health Insurance**

Inquiries: Tax Collection Division ☎055-934-4732

National Health Insurance Division ☎055-934-4727

Please be sure to pay the fees.

\*Payment at night time is available as follows.

Jan. 26(Thu), 17:15~20:00

\*Payment on Sunday is available as follows.

Jan. 29(Sun), 9:00~15:00

Where: Tax Collection Division, City Hall 2F.

National Health Insurance Division, City Hall 1F.

### **Night Acceptance and Consultation of Water Bill Payment**

Inquiries: Water and Sewage Service Division ☎055-934-4853

When: Jan. 24(Tue), Feb. 7(Tue), 17:15~20:00

Where: Water and Sewage Service Division (Water Utility Department Build. 1F)

### **Explanatory meeting for Nakahara ruins at the excavation site**

Inquiries: Cultural Promotion Division ☎055-952-0844

The explanatory meeting for Nakahara ruins (the Kofun period ~ Nara period) will be held at the excavation site once every 30 minutes.

When: Feb. 5(Sun), 10:00~12:00 (carried out even in light rain)

Where: The planned construction site for new freight station (in *Ipponmatsu*)

\*Parking lot is limited. Please ride together. City staff waits at the site and shows you the way.

\*Please come directly on the day.

### **Tax Reports for Municipal & Prefectural Tax for 2017**

Inquiries: Municipal Tax Division ☎055-934-4735

We receive tax reports for municipal and prefectural taxes for fiscal 2016. Please come to one of the places below. If you hand in final income tax return, you don't need this report.

when	where	
Jan.25(Wed)	Ooka Chiku Center Uchiura Chiku Center	9:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00
Jan.26(Thu)	Ooka Chiku Center Shizuura Chiku Center	9:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00
Jan.27(Fri)	Ashitaka Chiku Center	9:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00
Jan.31(Tue)	Hara Chiku Center	9:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00
Feb.1(Wed)	Numazushi Shoko-kai Heda Branch	10:00 - 12:00, 13:00 - 15:00

	Hara Chiku Center	9:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00
Feb.2(Thu)	Ohira Chiku Center, Nishiura Chiku Center	9:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00
Feb.3(Fri)	Ashitaka Chiku Center	9:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00
Feb.7(Tue)	Katahama Chiku Center	9:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00
Feb.8(Wed)	Ukishima Chiku Center	9:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00
Feb.9(Thu), 10(Fri)	Kanaoka Chiku Center	9:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00
Feb.16(Thu),Mar.15(Wed) except for Saturdays & Sundays	Numazu City Hall 1F multi-purpose space	9:00 – 12:00, 13:00 – 17:00

\*We will not accept at the Cultural Center this year.

### **Have You Claimed Two Welfare Benefits?**

Inquiries & applications: Special Welfare Benefits Office ☎ 055-934-4848

A guide for application has been sent to eligible people. Please submit the application form on time.

#### **<Special Welfare Benefit>**

Applicant: A person who is not imposed municipal tax in 2016.

Allowance: 3,000 yen per person

\*If a person who supports his/herself is imposed tax or receives welfare, he/she is excluded.

#### **<Benefit for disability/survivors basic pension>**

Applicant: A person who receives disability or survivor basic pension among people who are eligible or temporary welfare benefit.

Allowance: 30,000 yen per person

\*If you receive temporary welfare benefit for supporting elderly people with low income then you can't apply.

Due date: Feb.10 (Fri)

### **Be careful about PM2.5 (micro particle substance)**

Inquiries: Environmental Policy Division ☎ 055-934-4740

#### **What is PM2.5?**

It is a particle under 2.5-micrometers which floats in the atmosphere. Its diameter is one-thirtieth as long as that of a single hair. According to an immunological survey, it has been obvious that PM2.5 is easy to be inhaled into the deep bottom of lungs. \*One micrometer is one-thousandth as long as 1 millimeter.

#### **What to do if “the information calling for attention to PM2.5” has been announced?**

When the prefectural government announces “the information calling for attention to PM2.5”, the information will be provided for people through each area's simultaneous radio transmission. Those who have disorders in their respiratory system or their circulatory system, small children and elderly people need to pay more attention to PM2.5.

\*To refrain from going out if you don't have to.

\*To refrain from working or playing outdoors

\*To wear virus-proof masks or dust-proof masks that can deal with PM2.5 more effectively.

· There are 30 measurement stations all over the prefecture and they are making observation of air pollution 24 hours a day. Their measured data and forecast information can be checked on the website “Shizuoka Prefecture Air Pollution Constant Observation System.”

### **Free Law Consultation**

Inquiries: Japan Patent attorney association(Tokai Branch) ☎055-211-3110

Public Relations Division(Citizens Consultation Center )☎055-934-4700

You can consult lawyers and certified public accountants for free on matters such as law problems, land registrations, tax affairs etc.

When: Feb. 4(Sat) 10:00-15:00

Where: the meeting room of Plaza Verde 4F

\*No reservation is required. Come to the venue.

### **Job Interview Gathering**

Inquiries: Tokaido Sigma ☎055-954-2211

Commerce and Industry Promotion Division☎055-934-4749

This gathering is for about 20 companies in Numazu who will have interviews for job seekers. We also have seminar for job hunting, advice on how to write a resume, have your photograph taken for resume.

When: Feb.23 (Thu), 10:30-16:00

Where: Plaza Verde Convention Hall A

Applicants: job-seekers for companies in Numazu, under about 45 years old

### **Free Events**

#### **Try Tai Chi**

Inquiries: Shizuoka Chicana Martial Art Association ☎090-1834-5835

When: Jan.27 (Fri) 13:30-15:00

Where: Numazu City Gym, Kendo room.

What to bring: sport wear and shoes

\*No reservation is required. Come to the venue.



#### **New Year Lecture**

Inquiries: Numazu HojinKai (Numazu Corporation Association) ☎055-925-7755

When: Feb. 7(Tue) 15:30-17:00

Where: Numazu Riverside Hotel 4F

Theme: Great lovers for One Hundred Mountains of Japan,

Lecturer: Yosuke Tanaka (Professional Adventure racer)

\*"Adventure racing" is a multi-disciplinary team sport involving navigation over an unmarked

wilderness course with races extending anywhere from two hours up to two weeks in length.

How to apply: by phone

### **Lecture “Dementia and healthy life expectancy”**

Inquiries: Hoon-kai ☎055-931-1431

When: Feb.11 (Sat. Holiday) 10:00-12:00

Where: Hoon-kai, Lecture hall

Lecturer: Dr. Morio Kamiya

\*No reservation is required. Come to the venue.

### **Information**

### **Opinion Survey FY 2016 on Municipal Administration**

Inquiries: Public Relations Division, ☎055-934-4702

The opinion survey was conducted between June 21 and July 4, 2016. It was covering 2,100 citizens chosen at random.

#### **About Ashitaka Smart Interchange**

##### **① Do you know “Ashitaka Smart Interchange” opened?**

About 80 % of the citizens answered they know “Ashitaka Smart Interchange” opened.



##### **② Have you ever used “Ashitaka Smart Interchange”?**

More than half of the citizens answered they’ve used “Ashitaka Smart Interchange.”

##### **③ Do you think “Ashitaka Smart Interchange” made citizens’ life more convenient?**

About 2 out of 3 citizens answered Ashitaka Smart Interchange made citizens life more convenient.

#### **About “100 treasures in Numazu”**

##### **① Do you know “100 treasures in Numazu,” which are treasures designated by City depending on citizens’ opinions?**

About 53.9 % citizens can tell what 100 treasures in Numazu are like.



\*The articles on 100 treasures in Numazu often appear on Numazu Newsletters.

## About Numazu Tea

### ① Have you ever drunk Numazu Tea?



More than half of the young citizens answered they haven't.

### ② How do you drink green tea?

It depends on their generations. Some prefer to drink tea using teapot. Others prefer drinking Pet Bottle tea.



## Machinaka Events in February

### “Fuji-san no hi” (the day of Mt. Fuji) Special Exhibition



~The Everlasting World of Mt. Fuji painted by Aoki Yoko~

When: Feb. 1(Wed) ~ 28(Tue) / Where: *Numashin* Bank ☎ 055-962-5200

### Setsubun (the day to celebrate the coming of spring) Festival



~Let's knock devil's masks with a ball and get a gift!~

When: Feb. 3 (Fri) 10:00 ~ 15:00 (as long as there are gifts)

Where: in front of Marusan Bookstore (Numazu Nakamise branch) ☎ 055-963-2580

### Numazu Sweets Festa



~You can enjoy sweets made in Numazu and stage events!~

Inquiries: N-sta ☎ 055-952-3222

When: Feb. 26 (Sun) 10:00 ~ 16:00 / Where: Chuo Koen park

## Events

### Moriyama Naotaro 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour : “You are Certainly OK!”



Fifteen years have passed since Moriyan Naotaro made a debut as a popular singer. His familiar songs are “*Sakura*,” “*Natsu no Owari*” (the end of summer) and so on. He is going to give concerts around Japan.

Inquiries: Cultural Center ☎ 055-932-6111

Cultural Promotion Division ☎ 055-934-4812

When: July 15 (Sat) 18:00 ~

Where: Cultural Center (Big Hall)

Fee: 6,900 yen (all seats reserved, Children under 6 years old can't enter the hall.)

Ticket sale: at the ticket counter in Cultural Center and other ticket offices in the city  
after Jan. 28(Sat)

## **Feature**

### **Come on, *Miu!***



Miu Hirano, a table tennis player, was born in Numazu in 2000. She moved to Yamanashi pref. at the age of two and started playing table tennis. She won the Female World Cup in October, 2016 as the first Japanese player. She was awarded the “Breakthrough Star” in Dec., 2016. This award is given to the most brilliant player in the year. She is practicing very hard now in order to win the Tokyo

Olympics in 2020. We'd like to cheer for her.

Inquiries: Public Relations Division ☎ 055-934-4703