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Okinawa-shi Yakusho Bunka Geino Ka (B1) 💒 26-1 Nakasone-Cho, Okinawa City, Okinawa 904-8501



Events

► The 7th **Okinawa City Brass Band Fes**tival

You're sure to feel satisfied by the outstanding passionate performances.

March 18 (SUN)

Okinawa Civic Hall (1-1-1Yaeshima, Okinawa)

FREE Admission

Contact: 文化芸能課 (Culture & Traditional Arts Division) TEL:098-929-0261

► The 40th Okinawa City Culture Festival

-Creation Towards the Future, Feeling of the Leap Culture-

Stage Performances

Period: Feb. 9 (Fri.) - Mar. 9 (Fri.)

Venues: Ashibina Theater

(2-28-1 Chuo, Okinawa City Korinza Mall 3F)

Okinawa City Civic Hall-Middle Hall

(1-1-1 Yaeshima, Okinawa City)

Music Town "Oto-Ichiba"

(1-1-1 Uechi, Okinawa City Music Town 3F)

Fee: ¥1,000

*The performance schedule and venue will differ depending on each performing category. Please contact below for details.

Contact: Okinawa City Cultural Association

Tel: 098-932-6883



► Individual Number Cards Will be Issued on the Weekend Shown Below

In addition to weekdays, the City Residential Division will be open on the following date to issue individual number cards.

Open Date & Time:

February 24 (Sat.) & 25 (Sun.)

9:00-11:30 *Available only in the morning.

Where: City Residential Division counter, Oki-

nawa City Hall 1F

Note: You must contact the Residential Division in advance before visiting to confirm what " you will need.

Contact: Shimin Ka (Residential Division)

Ext. 3127/3128

Pro Baseball Pre-season Match

Hiroshima Carp

vs. Rakuten Golden Eagles

Event Date: Feb. 24 (Sat)

Open: 11:00 Start: 13:00 Venue: Okinawa City Koza Shinkin Baseball Stadium

Advanced Ticket (At door)

(Non-reserved seats only): Ìnfield Adult: ¥2,000 (¥2,500) Child: ¥1,000 (¥1,000)

Outfield Adult: ¥1,000 (¥1,500) Child: ¥500 (¥500)

Tickets are available at Familymart, Lawson. Okinawa Chamber of Commerce. Okinawa City Tourism Association *Please use public transportations.

*Parking space is limited. Free shuttle bus available from Aeon Rycom from 10:00-14:00, and end of game to 17:30.



Contact: Hiroshima Carp Support Association TEL:098-938-8022



Total Population: 141,448

[Japanese Population] Male: 67,849 Female: 72,458 [Foreign Population (43 Countries)] Male: 885 Female: 608



The Okinawa City Hall's Bunka Geino Ka (the Culture & Traditional Arts Division) selects excerpts from the city's public relations newsletter (Koho Ókinawa) and published them in English and Chinese in hopes of better serving our community of residents who may have difficulty reading or understanding Japanese. These articles are translated by the Culture & Traditional Arts Division staff and are provided for reference only. Administrative services are provided in Japanese only (unless otherwise indicated). For English support, please email: kokusai@city.okinawa.okinawa.jp. You can also view monthly issues of the newsletters and other information about living in Okinawa City by clicking the ENGLISH/中文 link on the Okinawa City

Administrative Announcements

▶ Please Note:

•February is the payment deadline for the following taxes:

Real-estate tax (4th term)/ Long-term care insurance premium (9th term)/ National health insurance premium (8th iterm)/ Medical care for the elderly insurance premium (8th term).

If you use automatic bank transfers, payments will be withdrawn on February 28th. Make sure you have enough money in your bank account the day before.

▶ Issue Copies of Residence **Certificates at Convenience Stores Nationwide With Your** "My Number" Card

Available Certificates: Copy of your residence certificate/ inkan registration certificate/ family registration (Koseki Zenbu Jiko Shomei Sho) certificate/ copy of family registration-family history

Hours: 6:30-23:00

(Except for New Year's holidays on Dec 29-Jan 3 and for maintenance on an irregular basis.)

Please contact below for more details. Contact:

For resident record, etc.-Shimin Ka (Residential Division) Ext.3123

For income certificate, etc.—Shisanzei Ka (Property Tax Division) Ext.2252

National Health Insurance System Will Change After April 2018

In order to maintain our Universal Healthcare System towards the future...

Until now, this system was managed under each municipality. It will now be managed by both the municipality and Okinawa Prefecture.

What difference will this change will make:

-Starting FY 2018 (April 1, 2018), Okinawa Prefecture will become the National Health Insurance insurer. (You can continuously submit notifications or consult your municipal office.) -After FY 2018 (April 1, 2018), 沖縄県(Okinawa Prefecture) will be printed as the insurer on your new certificate.

Below shows how the certificate will look after April 2018:

▶ Basic Life-saving Certification

(Category 1)

<CPR/AED/Homeostatic method etc. used in Adults>

(Date/ Time/ Location/ Capacity) Feb 17 (Sat)/ 09:00- 12:00/ Misato Br. Fire Dpt./ Capacity: 30

Feb 27 (Tue)/ 04:00- 17:00/ Awase Br. Fire Dpt./ Capacity: 15

(Category 3)

<CPR/AED/Homeostatic method etc. used in infants or children>

(Date/ Time/ Location/ Capacity) Feb 22 (Thu)/ 14:00- 17:00/ Awase Br. Fire Dpt./ Capacity: 15

Classes are provided in Japanese only.

Fee: Free

(Certificates will be issued to all participants who complete the class.) Please call below to sign up.

Contact: 沖縄市消防本部 (Okinawa Shi Shobo Honbu)

Okinawa City Fire Department Headquarter TEL:098-929-0900



The form of the certificate will change due to Okinawa prefecture to become one of the insurers.





National Health Insurance is the last stronghold of the Universal Healthcare System. We would like to ask for your understanding and cooperation for the revision of system after FY 2018 in order to establish a sustainable system of social security.

Contact: Kokumin Kenko Hoken Ka

(National Health Insurance Division) Ext. 2120

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► FY 2018 Tax Filing for Residential Tax and **National Health Insurance Premium**

Period: FEB 16 (Fri)~ MAR 15 (Thu) (not including weekends) * March 11 (SUN) is the only day open on a

weekend.

Hours: 9:00 - 16:00 Place: Okinawa City Hall 1F

To reduce congestion, residents in each area will be scheduled as follows:

<February>

16 (Fri)/ Miyazato, Chibana

19 (Mon)/ Goya, Higashi

20 (Tue)/ Awase,

21 (Wed)/ Murokawa, Moromi-

zato, Kubota, Akemichi

22 (Thu)/ Teruya, Koja, Yaeshima, Residence on base

Check out the designated

date for your residential area.

23 (Fri)/ Goeku, Ageda, Ozato, Awase-Daisan

26 (Mon)/ Nakanomachi, Hiyagon, Awase-Daiichi

27 (Tue)/ Center, Yamauchi, Noborikawa

28 (Wed)/ Misato, Yoshihara, Sumiyoshi

<March>

1(Thu)/ Minamitobaru, Matsumoto, Ikehara, Kaihocho

2(Fri)/ Kamara, Yamazato, Takahara

5(Mon)/ Shiromae, Sonoda, Higashitobaru, Yogi, Awase-daini

*If you are not able to visit on the designated day, you can visit on any other day above or before March 15 (Thu). Business owners are recommended to file their tax between February 23 (Fri)-March 8 (Thu).

Contact: Residential Tax Division Ext. 3249/ 3252- 3255

► FY 2017 February & March Residents' Public Health Checkup Schedule

Please check the schedule below and make sure not to miss the date for your own health management.

You can also get it at medical facilities.

Sign-in during the reception hours provided below.

Feb. 2 (Sun) 8:30-10:30/ 13:00-14:00

@ Okinawa City Hall

Feb. 25 (Sun) & Mar. 11 (Sun) 8:30-10:30

@ Industrial Exchange Center

(1-11-25 Awase, Okinawa City)

*Stomach cancer screening only provided in the morn-T-GTP

ing on the dates given above.

*Make sure to bring your insurance certificate and check-up coupon.

Contact: 市民健康課

(Residents' Health Division) Ext. 2240

► File Your City & Residential Tax to **Complete Your Pension Process**

The filing period for city and prefectural residence tax and national health insurance premiums for the fiscal year 2018 is between February 16 (Fri) and March 15 (Thu).

If you would like to apply for national pension premium exemptions, welfare or disability pensions, you must complete filing your city and prefectural taxes. Your records will be used to determine the results of your application and will help your application process to go smoothly.

*Premium contributions are approved as a "social insurance contribution" tax deduction. *Please see the "Tax Filing for Residential Tax" col-

umn on the left for the detailed schedule.

Contact: Shimin Ka, Kokumin Nenkin Tanto (City Residential Division National Pension Administration) ext.2131/2133/ 2134

► Announcement from the Okinawa **Tax Office: Tax Filing Consultation**

Tax filing consultations will be available between: FEB 16 (Fri)-MAR 15(Thu)

*Except for weekends and Japanese Holidays. **Consultation Hours/**

8:30-16:00

Place/Okinawa Chamber of Commerce and Industry Hall (4-15-20 Chuo, Okinawa City)

Contact: Okinawa Tax Office 098-938-0031



► The Old Okinawa City Designated Trash Bag Can't be Used After April 1st.

NOTE:

-You can use the old bag to take out cans, glass bottles and PET bottles.

-You cannot return or change the old bag.



Due to the reversion of the trash processing charge on July 1, 2017, the form of the bag changed and handles have been added to the new bag. March 31, 2018 will be the last day that the old bag can be used. We would like to ask for your cooperation. Contact: Environment Division Ext. 2223-2226

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More events and announcements..

▶ Okinawa Marathon **Pre-event: AED Training.**



This is held mainly for marathon volunteers and supporters to support the safety of marathon runners.

You might be the one to save a life!

February 17 (Sat) 14:00-18:00 (Sign up as you show up)

Venue: Okinawa Comprehensive Athletic Park Gym

Basic Life-Saving Class: 90 min. Practical basic AED operation: 30 min.

*You can stop by and join the 30-min practical class for basic AED operation.

Classes are designed for people aged 10 and older.

Classes and services are provided in Japanese only.

Contact: 沖縄市消防本部 (Okinawa-shi shobo honbu)

Okinawa City Fire Department Headquarter

TEL:098-929-0900

▶2018 Okinawa Marathon Traffic Control

The 25th Okinawa Marathon will be held on February 18, 2018 (Sunday).

Traffic will be regulated for the duration of the race.

Your adherence to traffic control during this time is vital to the safety of the over 10,000 participants. Your understanding and cooperation on this matter is appreciated.

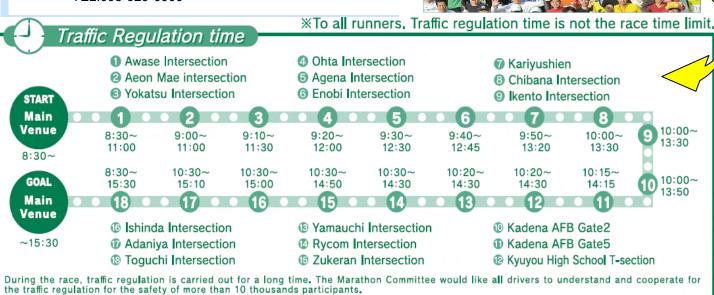
Contact: Okinawa Marathon Executive Of-

TEL: 098-938-0088

E-mail: kokusai@okinawa-marathon.com

http://www.okinawa-marathon.com/eng/ index.html





Okinawa City Library News

Book readings & hand games: Saturdays, Feb. 10*, 17 & 24 starting at 3:00 pm *Feb.10: Special program by JICA Okinawa Theme: Africa Continent Days Closed: Feb. 5 (Mon), 11 (Sun: National Foundation Day), 12 (Mon), 19 (Mon), 22 (Thu: for inspection), and 26 (Mon).

*Up to 20 books per person.

Address: 2-28-1 Chuo, Okinawa City Korinza Mall (1F) TEL: 098-929-4919

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Contact KIP for free Japanese classe legal consultations, fun events and MORE! 1-17-15 Chuo, Okinawa City TEL 989-6759 FAX 989-6758 Monday-Sunday 10:00~ 21:00 E-mail: okinawa_kip@yahoo.co.jp https://ja-jp.facebook.com/ociakip

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