



Excerpts of the Newsletter issued by Abiko City Phone:04-7185-1111

## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Abiko's Municipalization

Day of Abiko: Born as the 22<sup>nd</sup> City of Chiba pref. on July 1<sup>st</sup>,1970

### “Abiko” Supporters

Lots of words of cheer were sent to us from those who have close relations with Abiko and are playing important roles in various fields such as Isao Aoki and Nahoko Uehashi of the Honorary citizens, Nobuyuki Hanawa of the Home Ambassador. I am very pleased to have received their words of cheer which express their hearty love to Abiko. I will continue to do my best to convey our city's charm to the children who will bear the future in cooperation with citizens and those supporters related to Abiko. **Junichiro Hoshino, Mayor of Abiko**

### Words of Cheer of Isao Aoki, Professional Golfer

Abiko is a very memorable place for me in which I was born, grown up and became a professional golfer. When I participated in overseas tours, I used to remember Abiko each time I played at a golf course similar to that in Abiko Golf Club. Let's continue to preserve and promote Abiko's virtues. I will be pleased to join the activity. **Isao Aoki**

### Other Celebrities who sent us Words of Cheer:

Nahoko Uehashi, Author; Seiji Ebihara, Professional golfer; Osamu Oota, Chairman of Japan Rugby Top League; Aoi Onishi, Professional golfer; Kei Ogura, Singer song writer; Makoto Kaneko, Fielders General Coach of Hokkaido Nihon Ham Fighters; Natsuki Koyata, Author; Kohzo Tashima, Chairman of Japan Football Association; Nobuyuki Hanawa, Knights.

### Message from Abiko City Council Commemorating 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Abiko City

#### “Proceeding to the next 50 years being full of hope and pride”

We are going to take a step toward the coming 50 years together with all citizens while facing various issues such as low birthrate and aging population, aging public facilities, novel coronavirus infection. For the new 50 years, we, City Council, will continue to value the rich nature of Abiko, bonds between people and wishes of the people having connections with Abiko. And we will do our best to build up an attractive hometown where all residents may continue to live safely and without any problems. **Ichiro Nishigaki, Chairman**

### **Invitation to the 2020 Japan Bird Festival (JBF)**

On the theme of “Encouraging closer coexistence of people and wild birds”, this event is held every autumn where people who love birds and appreciate natural environment gather and give presentations of their daily research and/or activities. \* Due to the influence of the novel coronavirus infections, the festival might be cancelled. Therefore, exhibitions fee will be claimed after holding 2020 JBF is decided (scheduled to be fixed on August 5<sup>th</sup> (Sat))

Exhibition dates: November 7<sup>th</sup> (Sat) & 8<sup>th</sup> (Sun),2020 \* Rain or shine

Venue: Teganuma Aquatic Park & Water Museum, Abista etc.

Items for the booth: Research and/or activities for birds or natural environments, food and drinks, product sales

Eligible parties: NGO, NPO, administration, students, voluntary groups, enterprise, shops etc.

Application deadline: August 14<sup>th</sup> (Fri),2020

Application/enquiries: JBF Executive Committee office (in Teganuma Section) ☎7185-1484

\*For further details, please refer to JBF's HP ( <http://www.birdfesta.net/> )

### **Cancellation of the 63<sup>rd</sup> Abiko Citizen's Cultural Festival**

This year's Citizen's Cultural Festival is cancelled to prevent possible expansion of the novel coronavirus infection. No call for citizen's participation will be made. We appreciate your understanding.

Enquiry: Culture and Sports Section, Board of Education ☎7185-1601

### **Let's observe insects living in the valleys of Okahotto and Ichibu!**

#### **Summer Insects Observation Meeting**

Date: July 23<sup>rd</sup> (Holiday) 9:00AM~0:30PM

Meeting Place: in front of the school building of Chuo Gakuin High School

Lecturer: Mr. Shin Akiyama, Biology Club Advisor at Chuo Gakuin High School

Capacity: First arrival 50 people Fee: ¥50.- (for insurance)

Items to bring: loupe (magnifying glass), insect cage, insect net, water, boots, long sleeve shirts, long pants

Application/ enquiry: Teganuma Section ☎7185-1484

### **Application for the Special Cash Payment to be made not later than August 25<sup>th</sup>**

For details of application form etc., please refer to city's HP.

Enquiry: Call center for the special fixed benefit

(City) ☎7185-1763 (weekday days 9AM~5PM)

(Government)☎ 0120-260020 (every day 9AM~6PM)

**Public facilities such as public halls, community centers etc. will be re-opened/ re-started from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 (as of June 19<sup>th</sup>). However, there are some unavailable places, restricted activities or limit to the number of people. Please refer to the city's HP for details.**

### Advisory Service- July, 2020

**\* Reservation required**

ITEM	DATE/TIME	PLACE	CONTACT
Legal Advice	July. 7th,9th,16th,21st and 28th 9:30 - 15:30	Civic Consulting Room 2F, Abiko City Office	Secretarial Sec. *7185-1714 Call for appointment after 8:30 on July 1st
Tax Matters	July 17th (Fri) 10:00 - 15:00	Tax Collection Consulting Room 1F, Abiko City Office	Tax Collection Sec. *7185-1349 Call for appointment after 8:30 on July 13 <sup>th</sup>
Daily life advice	Week days except national holidays 8:30- 17:00	Social Welfare Sec. 2F, West Annex	Social Welfare Sec. Ext.394
Child matters in general	Week days except national holidays 8:30 - 17:00	West Annex 1F	Child Consulting Sec. 7185-1821
Domestic Violence	Week days except national holidays 8:30 - 17:00	West Annex 2F	Social Welfare Sec. 7185-1113

### Public Health Care Center Programs –July, 2020

**Tel:04-7185-1126**

Item	Date	Eligibility
Maternity class (Shiawase Mama & Papa Gakkyu)	4, 11, 18 (Sat) *Reservation required	Expecting women of 20 weeks or over, and their family
Consultation for 4-month-old children	7 (Tue) and 14 (Tue)	Children born in Feb.,2020
Health Checkup for 18-month-old infants	30 (Thu)	Infants born between Sept and Oct 5, 2018
Dental Checkup for 2 year and 8 month-old children	16 (Thu)	Children born between Aug 7 and Sept 10, 2017

Health Checkup for 3-year-old children	2 (Thu)	Children born between Oct 3 and Nov 30, 2016
Dental Checkup for 5-year-old children	16 (Thu)	Children born between Apr 11 and May 21, 2015
Baby Food Class for 4 to 6 month-old babies	31(Fri) * Reservation required	First 30 applicants (parents)
Baby Food Class for 8 to 9 month-old babies	8 (Wed) *Reservation required	First 20 applicants. Children born in Oct, 2019

**Child care support information in July for infants and parents living in Abiko “Free of charge**

Some of the public facilities will be open from July by changing the available dates. Gardens of nursery school and the like are open to the public. Let’s experience a lot together.

Period: Till March, 2021 except August, 2020 (Rain out) No reservation required.

Enquiry: Nursery section Ext.459 Please contact for details. Details available on the city’s HP.

**—Health Care—**

**1. Sudden illness at night or on Holidays- Introduction of Hospital**

Call Fire Station at 7184-0119. They will advise you an appropriate holiday/night emergency hospital or pediatrician. Before going there, talk with the hospital through telephone about your sickness or injury. In an imminent case, Call 119 for an ambulance.

**2. Child’s Sudden Illness at Night- Telephone consultation by Nurses**

Call #8000 or 043-242-9939 Hours: 19:00-6:00/next day, A nurse will advise you about the care to be taken for your infant/child.

**3. Sudden Illness at Night and Holidays-Telephone consultation by Nurses**

Call #7009 or 03-6735-8305 Hours: week days and Saturdays 18:00-23:00

Sundays, Holidays and Year- end/New Year holidays: 9:00-23:00

**4. Getting sick or toothache on Holidays (Contact: Holiday Clinic at 7187-7020)**

(1) Dentist: 9:00-11:30 (2) Internal Medicine & Pediatrician: 9:00-11:30,13:00-16:30

Note: Holidays: Sundays, National holidays, Year- end/New year holidays

Please do not hesitate to call for an ambulance in case of serious injury or acute illness.

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