

# Earthquake!

- 1 . **Protect yourself.**
- 2 . **Turn the gas off.**
- 3 . **Evacuate to the shelter.**

We have lots of earthquakes in Japan. Are you always prepared for it? First, make sure you are safe, then turn off all sources of fire and evacuate to the shelter. These are the main points of this issue.



Do you know where the main valve of the gas supply is?

- 1、**Protect yourself!** . . . Be always prepared for keeping your living room safe from earthquake, especially anchoring furniture and the likes to avoid falling down.
- 2、**Turn off all sources of fire.** . . . “Turn off fire, if you feel a quake”. It should be your motto! First turn the gas off, and close the main valve, if possible. A fire, which is a secondary disaster, causes a lot of damage to you. If you usually take care not to start a fire, you can avoid a serious damage. Do you know where the main valve of the gas supply is? Please confirm and keep it in mind. Always keep neat and tidy around the gas ring.
- 3、**Confirm the location of the refuge and shelter** . . . Discuss with your family member how to cope with a earthquake and decide on a meeting place and ways of contacting one another in case family members become separated. In each city and town, lots of refuges and shelters are designated. Confirm the location of the refuge and shelter nearest to your home. If you do not know where they are, contact with city hall, or town hall.

**An annual big event for citizens of foreign nationals**

**Fujimishi International Exchange Forum**

**Heart to heart *de Otomodachi* (Make friends at the forum)**

Japanese and citizens of foreign nationals living, studying or working in the same community get together, understand each other and exchange friendship. You can enjoy this event with your family. Please come and join us.

When Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> (Sun.) 12:30 ~ 16:30

Where Municipal Fujimino Exchange Center  
(Nearest • Fujimino station )

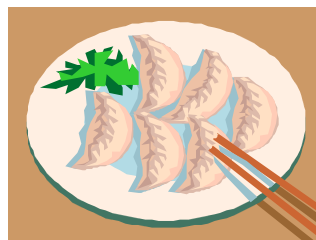
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[ Experience corner ] Try on ethnic dress or kimono and get a picture of yours taken • tea ceremony • tai chi chuan • wai wai talk • hanamoji (Chinese traditional arts, letters like flower)

[ Food-tasting & Attraction ] foreign foods

[ Opinions of foreign nationals in Japan ] Speeches in Japanese by foreign nationals

Host :Fujimishi, Fujimishi Board of Education, Fujimi International Friendship Association



## INFORMATION

### Each member of the family will have a national health insurance certificate from Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>.

A health insurance certificate will be issued to each member of the family enrolled in the national health insurance from Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. Size of the certificate is nearly the same as telephone card. New certificate will be sent to every household with certificate of mail acceptance by the end of September. If you do not receive it, please contact the insurance pension section of the city office or the branch office. Current certificate become invalid after Oct.1<sup>st</sup>. Please be careful not to lose the new small certificate.

**October 1<sup>st</sup>. is National Census Day**

**A census taker will visit your home to distribute a census form at the end of September. Please fill the form by October 1<sup>st</sup>. The census taker visits your home to receive it later.**

### **Invited!**

#### **Chinese language volunteer teacher**

Day: every Friday

Time: 10:00 am to 12:00

Place: Fujimino International Cultural Exchange center

Qualification: not required

Japanese class students of Chinese nationals are also welcome. If you are not good at Japanese, you have no problem. There are many Japanese student eager to learn Chinese. You will be able to learn Japanese at the same time.

### **Please join the forum of foreign national residents on city policy and services.**

Kamifukuoka-shi holds three forums of foreign national citizens on city policy and services for their comfortable living in the city. Now applicants are invited. Place of each forum is different. Please call FICEC (phone no. 275-0370).

First forum: Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> (Wed.)

Second forum: Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> (Wed.)

Third forum: Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> (Wed.) '06

### **Do you know the meaning of “Trafficking”?**

Originally, “Trafficking” was used to mean illegal deal of firearm or drugs. Now it means a kind of “sale of women and children”. Trafficking of persons into slavery-like practice really exists in Japan. If you hear about trafficking or someone asks your advice on it, please contact us. Japanese government is now planning to make trafficking offences law and present it to the ordinary session of the Diet next year.

### **New Fujimino-shi starts on October 1<sup>st</sup>, '05**

**Do you know merger of Kamifukuoka-shi and Oi-machi? New city is called Fujimino-shi. Accordingly, organization of city hall will changed and name of the sections in the office will also change. Overview of city hall will be given in next issue. If you want to know anything about it, please contact the planning section of each city and town hall.**