# Fukui City Newsletter ~April No. 1459~

### **Changes in the National Health Insurance Tax Rate**

The National Health Insurance Tax is essential to funding the National Health Insurance System. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in these revisions.

#### \*4 Key Revisions

- 1 Medical Care Insurance tax raised by 0.5%
- ② Medical Care Insurance fee the average insured person will rise by  $\frac{1}{2}$  300

|                  | Percent of Income | Average Payment |
|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 2015 Fiscal Year | 7.1%              | ¥29,600         |
| 2016 Fiscal Year | 7.6%              | ¥29,900         |

③The maximum limit of the health insurance tax has been increased by  $\frac{1}{20,000}$  for both the basic Health Insurance Premium and the Insurance Tax for Elderly Healthcare. All members of the National Healthcare System are responsible for paying these taxes relative to their income. The below chart illustrates the <u>maximum possible</u> yearly tax burden. Adding both taxes, the maximum yearly burden has increased from  $\frac{1}{200,000}$  to  $\frac{1}{200,000}$ .

|   |                  | Healthcare Tax Limit |
|---|------------------|----------------------|
| Health Insurance<br>Premium             | 2015 Fiscal Year | ¥520,000             |
|   | 2016 Fiscal Year | ¥540,000             |
| Insurance Tax for<br>Elderly Healthcare | 2015 Fiscal Year | ¥170,000             |
|   | 2016 Fiscal Year | ¥190,000             |

4 New criterion for Health Insurance Tax abatement for insured individuals and families.

|             | 50% Abatement                                       | 20% Abatement              |  |
|-------------|---|----------------------------|--|
| 2015 Fiscal | Family income <u>below</u> Family income <u>bel</u> |                            |  |
| Year        | $\pm$ 330,000 + (Number of                          | ¥330,000 + (Number of      |  |
|             | insured X $\pm 260,000$ )                           | insured X $\pm 470,000$ )  |  |
| 2016 Fiscal | Family income below                                 | Family income <u>below</u> |  |
| Year        | ¥330,000 + (Number of ¥330,000 + (Num               |                            |  |
|             | insured X $\pm 265,000$ )                           | insured X $\pm 480,000$ )  |  |

Contact: Health Insurance and Pension Division, (0776) 20 – 5383

## Medical Subsidy for Infants and Children: For parents or guardians of children up to and including middle school aged students

Please be advised that the Medical Subsidy for Infants and Children changes for students entering primary school. Parents or guardians of children who entered primary school in April should be advised that they are now responsible for a copayment in child healthcare expenses. Please reference the following for copayment amounts:

| Service                                     | Pre-school<br>Children | Primary School Children                                     |
|---|------------------------|---|
| Hospital Visits                             | Free                   | ¥500/month for each medical institution                     |
| Hospitalization                             | Free                   | ¥500/day for each medical institution (maximum ¥4000/month) |
| Medication Dispensed<br>Outside of Hospital | Free                   | Free  |

Contact: Child Welfare Division (0776) 20-5412

# Forest parks will be open for camping and barbecuing area

#### **Kunimidake Forest Park**

April 25<sup>th</sup> (Mon)- November 30<sup>th</sup> (Wed) 6-1, Aza-Kichihirayama, Kunimi Motomachi 22, Fukui

#### **Rhythm Village**

April 20<sup>th</sup> (Wed)-October 31<sup>st</sup> (Mon) 20-23, Nishinaka-cho, Fukui

#### SST Land

Until November 30<sup>th</sup> (Wed) Sasadani-cho 115, Fukui

#### Kigokoro no Mori

Until December 15<sup>th</sup> (Thu) 34-5-1, Asadanicho, Fukui

### **Event**

#### The Art of Fukui

The Fukui City Museum of Art will be displaying winning artistic pieces from fields including nihonga, painting, molding, sculpting, calligraphy, handcrafting, and photography. The exhibition will be held from Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00~17:15. There will be an opening ceremony on May 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 and the exhibit will be officially opened at 10:00. Museum entry permitted until 16:45. Come and sharpen your aesthetic perception!

#### Walking the Three Mountains of Asuwa

Stretch your legs and get some good exercise walking around Mt. Asuwa and its neighbors, Mt. Hachiman and Mt. Osagoe.

When: Saturday, May 28th from 8:15 to 11:30.

**Where:** Participants will meet at the Asuwa Fureai Center

\*The event will continue unhindered in light rain; however, in case of severe weather the event will be moved to Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>.\*

¥ 400 Participation fee (Including insurance) Limit 30 participants

Please register by phone by Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>
<u>Contact:</u> Asuwa Fureai Center, (0776) 34-8769

# Free Consultations, May

| Contents   |                  | Date  | Time   | Location · Phone<br>Number  |
|--|------------------|---|--|---|
| Legal  |                  | 5/17 (Tues)   | 13:30 ~ 16:30 Reserve by<br>Phone, early arrival 10<br>people              | Citizen Services and Consultation Office  20 5303   |
| Human Rights Concerns                                      |                  | 5/11(Wed) 25 (Wed)  | 13:30 ~ 16:00  | Citizen Services and Consultation Office  20 5544 (For consultations Only)                              |
| General Concerns   |                  | 5/20(Fri)   | 13:30 ~ 16:00 ( Up to 30 minutes per person )                              | Citizen Services and<br>Consultation Office<br>お20・5544 (For<br>consultations Only)                     |
| Notary Public  |                  | 5/13(Fri)<br>5/18(Wed)                                    | 13:00 ~ 16:00 ( Services for foreign residents also available on the 13th) | Citizen Services and Consultation Office  20 5544 (For consultations Only)                              |
| Labor and Social Security<br>Attorney                      |                  | 5/12 (Thurs)  | 13:00 ~ 16:00  | Citizen Services and Consultation Office  な20・5544 (For consultations Only)                             |
| Administrative   |                  | 5/9 (Mon) 16 (Mon) 23 (Mon)                               | 10:00 ~ 12:30  | Citizen Services and<br>Consultation Office<br>お20・5544 (For<br>consultations Only)                     |
|  |                  | 5/10(Tues)  | 10:00 ~ 12:30  | Koshino Kouminkan  58 89 • 2182   |
|  |                  | 5/25(Wed)   | 13:00 ~ 15:00  | Shimizukita Kouminkan   |
| Consumer Affairs   |                  | 5/12(Thurs) 26 (Thurs)                                    | 13:30 ~ 16:30 (Lawyers will be present, appointment required)              | Consumer Affairs Center<br>( Phoenix Plaza,1F)  |
| Consumer / mar   |                  | Monday to Friday (Excluding Holidays)                     | 8:30 ~ 17:00   | <b>君</b> 20・5588 (For consultations Only)   |
| Small to Medium Enterprise Labor                           |                  | Monday, Wednesday, Friday<br>( Excluding Holidays )       | 9:00 ~ 17:00 (<br>Appointments Required)                                   | Labor Policy Division<br>(Aossa 5th Floor)<br>20 • 5321   |
| Management ( For Small Enterprise Entrepreneurs/Founders ) |                  | Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,<br>Friday (Excluding Holidays) | 8:30 ~ 17:00<br>(Appointments required)                                    | Division of Commercial and Industrial Promotion  20.5325  |
| Youth (Young Telephone)                                    |                  | Monday to Friday (Excluding Holidays)                     | 8:30 ~ 17:00   | Youth Protection Center<br>お26・4949<br>な0120・57・4970<br>( For consultations Only )                      |
| Education ( School Refusal Issue )                         |                  | Monday to Friday, excluding holidays                      | 9:00 ~ 16:00   | Challenge Classroom<br>(Furuichi 3 cho-me)<br>\$\frac{15}{2}\$ 56.4150                                  |
| Mother Dial  |                  | Everyday, Excluding Tuesday                               | 9:00 – 20:00   | Child Support Center<br>(Aossa 5F)  |
| For Women and<br>Children Only                             | Pediatric<br>s   | 5/12 (Thurs.) 26 (Thurs.)                                 | 13:30 ~ 15:30<br>(Reserve by Friday of the prior week)                     | <b>☎</b> 20· 1541   |
|  | Legal<br>Counsel | 5/2 (Mon.) 21 (Sat.)                                      | 13:00 ~ 15:30<br>(Reserve by Friday of the prior week )                    | (For Consultations Only)  |
| Language Development                                       |                  | 5/7 (Sat.) 21(Sat.)                                       | 9:00 ~ 12:00<br>(Reservation Required )                                    | Language Class (Phoenix<br>Plaza, 2F) Division of<br>Welfare for the Disabled<br>\$\mathbf{T}\$ 20.5435 |
| Marriage   |                  | 5/15 (Sun)  | 13:30 ~ 15:30<br>(Reservation Required )                                   | Aossa 503 Kaigishitsu<br>Child Welfare Division<br>\$\mathbf{T}\$ 20.5696                               |