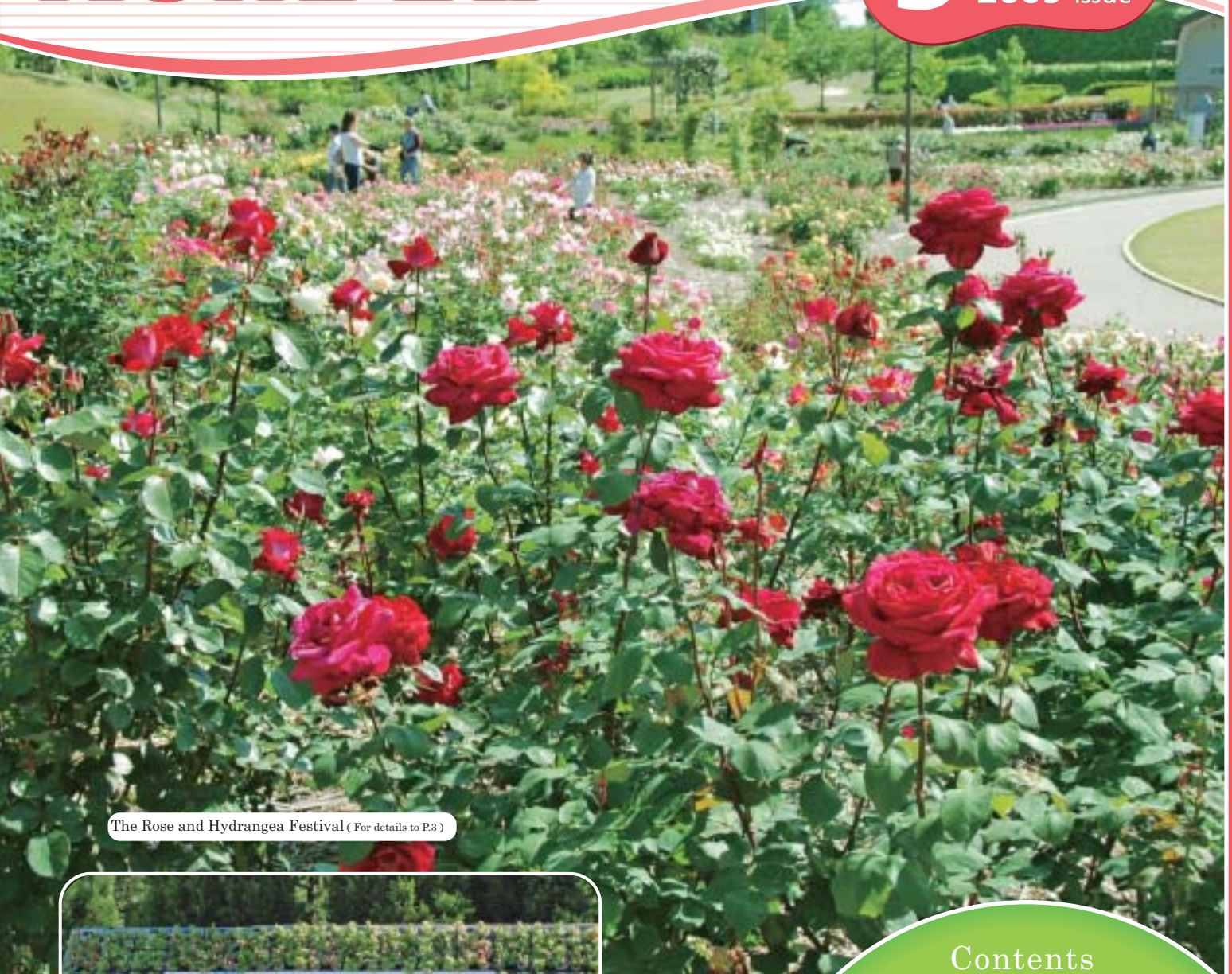


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Population of foreigners / 9,232 residents
Population of Komaki-city / 153,581 residents

Current as of April 1, 2009

Have you applied for child allowance yet?



Child allowance income is re-evaluated every year in June. The allowance amount from June onward is determined according to your income the previous year (2008). Those who did not receive child allowance in 2008 (during the period of June 2008 to May 2009, as per your 2007 income) should apply during the month of May. (Government employees can apply at their place of work.) Those who do not apply will not receive child allowance even if their total income is low enough for them to qualify.

Those currently receiving child allowance will be sent notices by mail during the first 10 days of June.

Submissions and Inquiries

Fill out all the required items on the proper application form (available at the Child-Raising Assistance Division, community centers, and civic centers) and submit it to the Child-Raising Assistance Division (tel. 76-1129).

Do you know about the childbirth incentive?



To celebrate the birth of children in Komaki, promote their healthy growth, and provide peace of mind in raising them, we provide a special childbirth incentive.

Prerequisites for Qualifying:

1. This allowance is provided for families with 3 or more children, from the third child onward.
2. Your household's main residence must be in the city of Komaki.
3. You must be registered in the Komaki residents' register or in the alien registration system at least a year prior to the birth of the eligible child.

Incentive Amount: 200,000 yen per eligible child

Submission Requirements Bank passbook in the applicant's name (post office passbooks excepted) and personal seal

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Wakuwaku Fishing

The artificial pond here is stocked with fish, allowing children to try their hand at catching fish while providing an opportunity to play in the mud and experience the responsibility that comes with looking after living creatures.

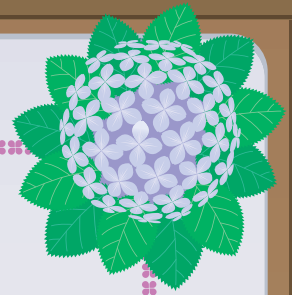
- **Date** / Tue. May 5, 2009 (a national holiday), 10:00 am - 11:30 am
(but in the case of rain, the event will be switched to Wed. May 6, same time)
- **Location** / Wakuwaku Taiken Hiroba, Sakanatori Pond
(go north 100 m from the Mori-kita gate at Shimin Shiki)
- **Aimed at** / children attending elementary school in Komaki and younger
(those not yet in school should be accompanied by a guardian)
- **Attendance capacity** / unlimited • **Cost** / free
- **Items to bring** / footwear, a scoop net, a carry-home container, the child's Komapo card
- **Applying** / go directly to the event grounds on the event day (free participation)
- **Inquiries** / Lifelong Learning Office TEL 76-1179





Shimin
Shiki no Mori

The Rose and Hydrangea Festival



Sat. May 30 - Sun. June 14

Free Admission

Shimin Shiki no Mori, at Komaki Sogo Koen

Main festival grounds: Kutsurogi Hiroba

Festival hours: 9:00-18:00 in May, 9:00-19:00 in June

The festival will not be closed any days during this period.

However, some events might be cancelled in the event of rain.

We also hope you will enjoy the toboggan, park golf, and disco golf events held during this time. Note: the park golf event will be closed Mon. June 1 and Mon. June 8 for maintenance.

There will also be a concession area!

Saturday, May 30

Nagoya Kochin Crockpot Feast

A delicious meal made with stewed spring Kochin chicken, which originated in Komaki, is on the menu again this year. A feast for the whole family!

Put on in cooperation with Daisokajinka.

Begins at 12:00
First come, first serve
(1,000 people, free of charge)

The Rose and Hydrangea Festival is famous for this!



Hilarious! The Sarumawashi Show

Enjoy the variety show put on by our monkey!

1st Show: 11:30
2nd Show: 14:00

Our monkey's silly acting is so cute, you'll die laughing!



Instruments of the World Orchestra "LEEO" Eco-Concert

Enjoy the warmth of the eco-music put on by this unique musical group which participated in the Aichi Expo.

1st Show: 12:00
2nd Show: 14:30



The contest between families is on!

The Shimin Shiki no Mori/ Midori Trivia Contest

Compete in a trivia contest with the themes "flower" and "green" and win great prizes!

1st Contest: 12:30
2nd Contest: 15:00

The battle to break the record is on!

Aluminum Can-Crushing Contest

Anyone can compete at the fun Ecodome. Come give it your best shot!

Put on in cooperation with the International Can-Crushing Association

Sunday, May 31

The Yatterman Character Show Part 2

Attendance is free

1st Show: 11:30
2nd Show: 14:00



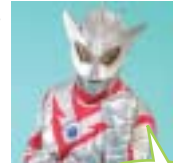
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The Official Tsuburaya Productions Wrestler

Children's Pro-Wrestling Workshop by Ultraman Robin

Ultraman Robin, an emissary from the M78 nebula where monster wrestlers are engaged in a life-and-death struggle, teaches budding champions of justice how to wrestle.

1st Show: 12:30 2nd Show: 15:00
More details available at <http://www.sgp-pro.com/>



Let's save our earth together!

Paper Airplane-Building Challenge

Build an airplane of your own design and do your best to make it fly!
Multipurpose Recreation Ground (Tamokuteki Hiroba)
Put on in cooperation with the Paper Plane Club / Kaze

Saturday, May 30, and Sunday, May 31

Citizen's Activity Club Exchange Square

All the city's various activity clubs will have exhibits here!

Put on in cooperation with the Komaki Citizens' Activity Network

The Bamboo Installation at Shiki no Mori

Join in the fun of making shapes out of bamboo!

*Finished works of art will be on display until Sunday, June 14.



Let's all make art out of bamboo!

Sunday, June 14

See what you can dig up! The Flea Market at Shiki no Mori

Go with friends or family!

10:00 ~ 16:00

To apply for a booth or request information:

Garagia Hill

Tel: 090-2618-8402

Website: <http://garage.moo.jp/furima.html>



Sponsored by the City of Komaki Direct inquiries to the Urban Development Department TEL 76-1191

Information for Individuals Awaiting Periodic Assignment of Vacated Prefectural Housing

An information guide is being given out to individuals waiting for prefectural housing.



How to apply: by mail
 Distribution period: Wed. April 15 - Thurs. May 14, 2009
 Distribution location: the service window at the Building Dept. (main building 2nd floor, excluding days the offices are closed)
 Application period: Thurs. May 7 - Thurs. May 14, 2009
 Selection date: Wed. June 3, 2009
 *The offering house and numbers of house are listed in the information guide.

Inquiries: Building and Repairs Section, Building Dept, Komaki City Hall TEL 76-1143

Members and Volunteers Wanted for the Komaki International Association (KIA)

People of many different nationalities live within Komaki. There are many programs we promote in order to improve the lives of foreigners and understand one another better. New members who are interested in international exchange and are able to support or contribute to these efforts are welcome.

- **Who can join:** individuals and organizations with an interest in multiculturalism
- **Cost:** Annual membership fee (one unit)
 Companies and organizations: 5,000 yen
 Individuals: 2,000 yen
 Junior members (high school students and younger): 500 yen



*Those who join this year may participate in May's general meeting and exchange event.

Address applications and inquiries directly to:

The Komaki International Association (KIA) Administration Office (Komaki Community Center, 4th Floor)
 TEL 76-0905 FAX 71-8396 E-mail kia@ma.ccnw.ne.jp

First-Term Japanese Classes



- **Details:** A-F are beginner's courses, G is lower-intermediate, H is intermediate, I is advanced
 Saturdays A, H 13:00-15:00 B, I 15:10-17:10
 Sundays H, F 8:30-10:30 G, E 10:30-12:30
 A, D 13:00-15:00 B, C 15:10-17:10
- **Date:** every week, Saturday and Sunday, depending on the level
- **Location:** Komaki Civic Center, 4th Floor, Chess Room and Rose Room
- **Intended for:** foreigners
- **Cost:** 2,000 yen for your KIA membership plus 1,000 yen for course tuition
- **Period:** May 9 - July 26 • **Materials:** writing utensils

Address applications and inquiries directly to:

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The following taxes must be paid by Mon. June 1.



Light Motor Vehicle Tax (Term 1)

National Health Insurance Tax (Term 1)

Nursing Insurance Dues (Term 1)



Please be prompt with payment! Obey the rules regarding payment for everyone's sake.

Direct bank account withdrawal is convenient and can help you avoid missing payments.

When paying through direct withdrawal, please check your account balances the day before.

The City Hall Income Tax Office is open the following Sundays for tax consultations and payment.

- Date Sun. May 10, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Sun. May 24, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Taxes can be paid at the Komaki Station branch office Monday to Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and national holidays, for your convenience.

- Service hours are 8:30 am to 5:15 pm.
- The Komaki Station branch office is closed Dec. 31 and Jan 1.

For more information, inquire at the Income Tax Office:

TEL 72-2101 extensions 276 ~ 279

TEL 76-1117 • 76-1118 (Direct lines)

Tax Q&A

Q I stopped working at the end of October 2008, and then I paid my city and prefectural tax in January 2009, but I have heard that in June I will receive another bill for city and prefectural tax. Is this true?

A The city and prefectural tax you paid in January 2009 was based on the **income you earned in 2007**. This tax would have been deducted from **your salary during the period from June 2008 until May 2009**. However, in your case, this tax could not be deducted from your salary since you left your company during that period. Thus, in January 2009, you were sent a tax bill for the remaining income tax that had not been deducted.



Information Regarding Checkups

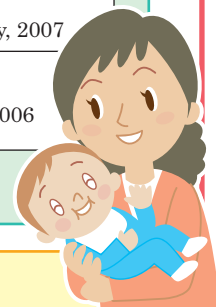


Mother & Child Checkup Calendar

*Please remember to take your maternal and child health handbook with you when you go!

Item	Dates	Hours	Who it's for
	Tue. May 12	Admitting Hours 1:05 pm - 1:55 pm	Infants born in December 2008
	Tue. May 19		Infants born in January 2009
	Tue. May 26		
	Fri. May 8 Fri. May 15 Fri. May 22	Admitting Hours 1:05 pm - 2:15 pm	Children born in November, 2007
Dental exams for children aged 2 years 3 months	Thur. May 14 Thur. May 21	Admitting Hours 9:00 am - 10:10 am	Children born in February, 2007
	Wed. May 13 Wed. May 20 Wed. May 27	Admitting Hours 1:05 pm - 2:15 pm	Children born in May, 2006

Note: Admitting hours for health checkups vary according to the child's birthdate.
Instructions regarding checkup scheduling will be sent to you, so be sure to check them.
For more details, call the Health Center at 75-6471.



Cancer (colective) Examinations

Examination	Who it's for	2009
		May
	Registered residents of Kosaki who are 40 or older and were born on an even-numbered year during the Taisho or Showa eras, as well as those born on odd-numbered years but did not get examined in 2008, may be examined.	25

Note: exams for stomach cancer, colon cancer, and osteoporosis can be done once each during the period from May to March of the following year.

Uterine cancer and X-ray breast cancer exams only need to be done once every two years.

(in accordance with the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare's "Guidelines for Cancer Prevention Education and Examinations")

For More Information Regarding Cancer Exams and Osteoporosis Exams...

Each month's issue includes information on which examinations you can be admitted for.
Feel free to contact the Health Center for an examination. (Mon - Fri, 8:30 am - 5:15 pm)

Exemptions

Individuals described to the right may receive cancer examinations (but not osteoporosis exams) free of charge.
Be sure to use the correct form when requesting an exam.

1. Individuals 70 years and older
2. Bedridden individuals 65 and older
3. Individuals from households receiving welfare
4. Individuals from households exempt from city resident tax

Vaccine	Dates	Hours	Who it's for o what's involved o how to apply	Location
Polio	Thur. May 14 Fri. May 29	Admittance 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Who it's for: children born between Oct. 17 2001 and Jan. 16 2009, who have not received two doses yet. (Those who have received instructions regarding fourth-month vaccinations should give priority to the BCG shot.) What to bring: your maternity passbook and vaccination coupons. Note: those with diarrhea or canker sores on the day of the vaccination may not receive shots. Those who regularly see a doctor or were seeing a doctor until recently should consult with their regular doctor, as well as those taking medicine.	Ajioka Shimin Center
	Thur. May 21			Tobu Shimin Center
	Thur. May 28			Kitazato Shimin Center

Note: Polio vaccines will not be administered at the Civic Center from April until June due to construction.
Please visit your nearest community center.

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Note: Please see the relevant service counter for more details regarding any of the items contained herein.