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A request from the fire department!

Please make an effort to do the following things to prevent fires.

Ten ways to stay safe by preventing fires at home!

4 habits

Don't *smoke* when sleeping



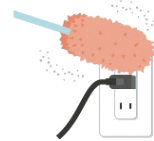
Don't put flammable things near *heat* sources



Stay near open flames when cooking

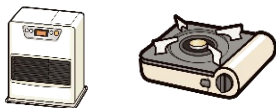


Keep electrical outlets clean

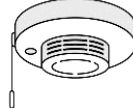


6 countermeasures

Use stoves and gas burners that have *safety devices*



Install *smoke detectors* (devices that sense smoke and heat and sound an alarm) at home ※Check regularly



Use *flame-resistant* curtains and sheets



Have a *fire extinguisher* on hand



Elderly and disabled persons should confirm a *path of escape* ahead of time



Help others living nearby



If there is anything you are unsure about, please call the Fire Prevention Department of the Fire Department (*Shobokyoku Yoboka*)

☎ 028-625-5505



Be Prepared for Landslide Disasters

If heavy rain or sudden rain continues in the coming season or if a large earthquake occurs, landslide disasters are likely to occur. It is important to have proper knowledge of landslide disasters and always be prepared.

Prepare for landslide disasters by looking at the “Utsunomiya Disaster Prevention Hazard Map” in advance for landslide disaster warning areas (places where it is highly likely for a landslide to occur).

In Utsunomiya City, the “Utsunomiya Disaster Prevention Hazard Map” was distributed to all households in the city in 2024. The hazard map includes disaster prevention information for such disasters as landslides and floods, as well as evacuation plans (escaping to a safe place), and how to prepare in advance to prevent disasters. You can also refer to it on the city's website, so please take a look at it in advance.

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Utsunomiya City Disaster
Prevention Hazard Map ⇒



【Contact】 River Division ☎ 028-632-2686

○ Always be prepared.

▼ Evacuate as soon as possible.

People living in a landslide disaster warning area should quickly evacuate to a place that is not in a landslide disaster warning area if they sense danger. Also, people living in a place other than a landslide disaster warning area should evacuate immediately if they sense danger.

▼ Think about where to evacuate in advance.

Please consider not only schools, but also friends' or acquaintances' homes in safe places as evacuation locations.



↑ Utsunomiya City URL

Evacuation site information



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Vehicle evacuation sites are available when there is storm & flood damage

▼ Be careful of where you sleep!

A landslide disaster may occur while you are sleeping. Always sleep in a room on the second floor of a home that is on the valley side and away from a cliff.

▼ Keep a stockpile of home emergency supplies (items always on hand at home) and emergency items (items to be taken with you in the event of evacuation).

Prepare valuables (money, driver's license, etc.), drinking water, food, light source, digital information device (cell phone, charger, etc.), clothing, towels, medical products (medicine), daily life necessities (face wash, dental products), glasses, contact lenses, masks, disinfectant, etc. to sustain you for about three days.

50th Furusato Miya Festival

- 🕒 August 2 (Sat) & 3 (Sun)
4:30PM - 9:00PM
- 😊 This is the largest summer festival in Utsunomiya City. You can enjoy a parade, dancing, omikoshi floats, drumming, and outdoor vending booths of various organizations.
- @ Main Street, Orion Square, Banba Square, etc.
- ☎ Furusato Miya Festival Organizing Committee
(Furusato Miya Matsuri Kaisai linkai)
028-643-8331

Utsunomiya Fireworks Show

- 🕒 August 9 (Sat) 6:30PM - 8:30PM
*In case of strong rain or wind, then it will be August 10 (Sun) instead.
- 😊 About 30,000 fireworks will be set off in the summer night sky.
Take the bus (bound for Yanagita Shako) from JR Utsunomiya Station.
- @ Dojojuku Green Space Park
(Kinugawa Riverbed)
- ☎ Tokutei Hieiri Katsudo Hojin Utsunomiya Hyakunen Hanabi
028-600-3980

Summer Vacation Intensive Japanese Lessons



- 🕒 July 22 (Tues) – July 31 (Thurs) 10:00AM - 12:00PM
(No class on Saturday & Sunday) (Total 8 lessons)
- 😊 Children of foreign nationalities attending elementary and junior high schools in Utsunomiya City can study Japanese together.
- Cost** Free
- Sign up** Call, fax, or send an e-mail to the Utsunomiya City International Association (UCIA) with the student's name, address, guardian's phone number, school name, grade in school, nationality, and number of years living in Japan to sign up.
- @ Utsunomiya International Plaza (UIP) (5th floor, Omotesando Square, 4-1-1 Baba-dori, Utsunomiya City)
- ☎ Utsunomiya City International Association (UCIA)
TEL: 028-616-1870 FAX: 028-616-1871 ✉ucia@ucia.or.jp

International Exchange Salon 🎵



- 🕒 4th Saturday 4:00PM – 6:00PM
July 26 (Sat)
- 😊 An opportunity to enjoy interacting with people from various countries.
- Cost** Free
- @ Utsunomiya International Plaza (5th floor, Omotesando Square, 4-1-1 Baba-dori, Utsunomiya City)
- ☎ 028-616-1563

Starry Sky Film Viewing



- 🕒 July 26 (Sat) 7:00PM
- 😊 "Oshiri Detective Cosmic Front"
- Cost** Free
- Limit** First 50 people
- Sign up** N/A
- @ East Library (Higashi Toshokan)
Audiovisual Library (Shichoukaku Library,
3-5-1 Nakaimaizumi)
- ☎ 028-638-5704



We asked Guillaume of France about French bread, famous people of Orléans, activities in the community, his job, etc.

Bonjour! (Hello in French.)

Guillaume's hometown of Orléans is a sister city of Utsunomiya City, and exchanges between the two cities are flourishing.

UCIA: Is French bread really popular in France?

Guillaume: Traditional French bread is called baguette. Bakeries are open from 6:00AM to 1:00PM. I enjoyed buying fresh bread every morning for breakfast. French people often eat bread, but it is not their staple food, and they also eat it with cheese, etc. for lunch and dinner.

UCIA: Who is a famous person in Orléans?

Guillaume: Jeanne d'Arc is also known as the "Maiden of Orléans," and is famous. He was a soldier and national heroine in the 15th century Kingdom of France. Jeanne d'Arc freed Orléans, so the Jeanne d'Arc festival is held every year on May 8. However, it seems that Jeanne d'Arc stayed in Orléans only for one night.

UCIA: Is there anything you are making a special effort on raising your children?

Guillaume: I read French picture books to my children and speak French to them at home. I tell them to speak Japanese when they are out and about so that they do not come across as being rude. At such times, my children sometimes correct my Japanese

and it makes me think that "Japanese is more native to my children!"

UCIA: What kind of activities are you doing in the community?

Guillaume: In the area where I live, one person from each household is supposed to be a member of the fire department. When there is fire department training, I participate in the "morning training" from 5:00AM to 6:30AM three times a week. I'm learning how to help other people in case of a disaster. It is early in the morning, but I am enjoying it. I am able to form deep bonds with my neighbors.

UCIA: What kind of work are you doing?

Guillaume: I am running the Chazal French School and teaching French. I also teach at high schools and universities. I make any effort to provide fun classes by teaching not only the language, but also about French culture, customs, and recent events.

UCIA: Is there something you are hoping to do in the future?

Guillaume: I like mechanics, so I hope to be able to repair motorcycles. It would be nice if I could participate in a circuit race.

UCIA: Guillaume, Merci! (Thank you!)

Utsunomiya International Plaza (UIP) Services

Consultation times have changed.

**General consultation
in various language!**



※Assistance in other languages is possible using a tablet that can interpret and translate multiple languages.

		Spanish	Portuguese	Vietnamese	Chinese	Thai	English
UIP ☎028-616-1564	3:00PM – 6:00PM	Mon	1 st & 3 rd Mon		Tues	Wed	Fri
			4 th Sun (by appointment only)				
City Hall ☎028-632-2834 (Business hours only)	9:00AM - 12:00PM	Thurs		—	—	—	Thurs
	2:00PM - 5:00PM	Thurs		2 nd Thurs	3 rd Thurs	1 st Thurs	—

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UCIA's Official LINE

We send out information on fun exchange events and everyday life information. Please register as a "Friend" to use it as an information gathering tool.



"Oh-ii!" is available in easy Japanese, English, Chinese, Portuguese, Thai, and Vietnamese. You can also read it on the Utsunomiya International Exchange Association's (UCIA's) website at <https://www.ucia.or.jp>

