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Feb 23

Whiskey made in Akkeshi Town, a relatively small town in Kushiro Subprefecture, is sure to be sold out wherever you go. However, you might have a chance to try it if you are in Akkeshi. The Hokkaido Akkeshi Distillery's first batch of whiskey, named the "Akkeshi New Born", is available to customers to buy by the glass at their distillery.

Feb 27

Dried natural kelp production in Oshima Subprefecture for 2017 hit a record-low volume of 566 tons not seen in over 40 years. Coastal sands in breeding grounds caused by bad weather due to low pressure and the rising temperature of sea water are thought to be the causes. For comparison, more than 5,600 tons of kelp were produced in the same subprefecture in 1980.

March 3

The Japan Soba Association announced that a group of farmers in Etambetsu Town called the "Etambetsu Soba Bukai," located just outside of Asahikawa, won the 2017 Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Award. It is the 3rd year in a row for a group from Hokkaido to win this award.

March 3

For the first time, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries conducted research on the consumption of game meat. Hokkaido ranked first with 503 tons, and Hyogo, with 117 tons, a distant second. A contributing factor is that the government has encouraged farmers to consume the animals that are hunted to prevent overpopulation.

March 7

Asahi Bio Cycle (a subsidiary of Asahi Group Holdings) and Hokkaido University collaborated in developing fertilizer using brewer's yeast cell wall, a byproduct of brewing beer. The collaboration showed that the fertilizer increased the potato's immunity, which could lead to a reduction in the use of agricultural chemicals.



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DRUM TAO ~ Drum Rock Tempest ~**DRUM TAO ~ ドラムロック 疾風 ~**

DRUM TAO is a drum and dance ensemble made up of the most passionate drummers in Japan. When they first made their international debut at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe Music Festival, their shows sold out for 25 days straight and have been performing internationally ever since. What make this group different from any other drum ensemble? The training. These performers train from 5:00 in the morning until 22:00 at night, starting with a daily 20km run, moving on to martial arts practice, drum practice, and more. Only after three years of harsh training are they allowed to perform for audiences. The raw intensity of their performances could only be accomplished by those trained to be athletes. What are you waiting for?

Date: 4/7 (Saturday)

Time: Opens 16:30, Starts 17:00

Venue: Asahikawa Civic Culture Hall, Large Hall (7-jo-dori 8-chome)

Admission: Special Seating ¥7,000, Regular Seating ¥6,000

Ticket Office: MountAlive MEMBERS, Doshin Playguide, Lawson Ticket (L code: 12348), Ticket Pia (P code: 103-353), E Plus (<http://eplus.jp>)

For Further Information Contact: MountAlive: 011-623-5555

**Super Live Show in Asahikawa****スーパーライブ笑 in 旭川**

Laughs, laughs, and more laughs! The Super Live Show in Asahikawa gathers comedians from across Japan, featuring popular groups like Sandwich Man, U-ji Koji, and Instant Johnson. Experience a traditional style of stand-up comedy in Japan known as "manzai" featuring two performers who exchange fast-paced, witty dialogue. The comedy duo Sandwich Man won the M-1 Grand Prix manzai competition in 2007 and remain one of Japan's most beloved manzai groups. This is your chance to experience Japanese comedy!

Date: 4/8 (Sunday)

Time: This show has two showings on the same day. Showing #1 Opens 13:00, Starts 13:30. Showing #2 Opens 16:00, Starts 16:30

Venue: Asahikawa Public Hall (Inside Tokiwa Park)

Admission: Reserved Seating ¥4,000

Ticket Office: Lawson Ticket (L code: 11398), Ticket Pia (P code: 484-391)

For Further Information Contact: 0166-22-3400

**English Study Hokkaido International Exchange Event #3****English Study Hokkaido 第3回国際交流イベント**

English Study Hokkaido, an international community meet-up group in Asahikawa, is throwing its third International Exchange Event! Gather for delicious Jingsukan, drinks, and meet Japanese and foreign residents in Asahikawa! The last event had nearly 60 people so be sure to sign up online in advance to secure your spot!

Date: 4/8 (Sunday)

Time: 19:30-21:30

Venue: Jingsukan Pub (3-jo-dori 7-chome, Yoshitake Park Bldg. 2F)

Admission: Foreign Participants ¥1,500, Japanese Participants ¥3,000, Children ¥500

Contents: All-you-can-eat (Jingsukan) and drink

For Further Information and to Sign Up: <https://www.facebook.com/english.hokkaido/>

Notes: The admission fee is the same even for those who come half-way through. Those who visit the Facebook event page and press the participation button have the highest priority.

**Brit Club****ブリティッシュ クラブ**

Are you interested in British culture? Brit Club is a club for anybody who likes the UK or is interested in the UK. Enjoy learning about the culture of this wonderful country over tea and snacks!

Date: 4/14 (Saturday)

Time: 14:00-16:00

Venue: WOWN (7-jo-dori 7-chome, Nakajima Place 702)

Admission: ¥500 (Includes tea and snacks)

Attendance Cap: 15 people

For Further Information Contact: 080-6096-7957



Swing Messengers Orchestra CoCoDe Live スウィング・メッセンジャーズ・オーケストラ ココデ・ライブ

Come enjoy jazz and swing in the afternoon brought to you by the Swing Messengers Orchestra! The concert will be divided into 2 parts: performances by the entire group (Big Band) and performances in small groups (1-2 songs each). "Whisper not," "The Diamond State Rag," "Oleo," and "Moanin'," are just a part of the selection you will hear.

Date: 4/15 (Sunday)

Time: Opens 13:30, Starts 14:00

Venue: Community Support Center CoCoDe (Miyamae 1-jo 3-chome)

Admission: Adult ¥1,000, Junior High School Student ¥500, Elementary School Students and under are free

Ticket Office: Yamaha Music Retailing Store, OLIVE Restaurant, Swan, Kawai Asahikawa Shop, FM Riviere, Gyokkodo, Maifurendo, Fukido

For Further Information Contact: 090-2053-5582



SAKAMOTO Fuyumi Concert 2018

坂本冬美 コンサート

The current 3rd most popular enka singer in Japan, Ms. SAKAMOTO Fuyumi is coming to Asahikawa! Winning a popular song contest at 19 years old, she debuted as an enka singer a year later and was well received. In addition to enka, she was a vocalist in the rock band "HIS". She has even appeared on NHK's invite-only New Year's Eve Song Battle 29 times! Now it's your chance to see her perform live in Asahikawa, so don't miss this opportunity!

Date: 4/17 (Tuesday)

Time: This concert has two showings on the same day. Showing #1 Starts 14:00, Showing #2 Starts 18:00

Venue: Asahikawa Civic Culture Hall (7-jo-dori 8-chome)

Admission: Reserved Seating ¥6,500

Ticket Office: Gyokkodo, Coach and Four

For Further Information Contact: 011-261-9991

Notes: If you are interested but unsure about the price, you can see this performance for ¥1,000 as a "Test Viewing". The seating location may not be in place optimal for viewing. Please contact Trust Creative Planning Co. at the phone number above for more information.



Asahikawa Youth Brass Band The 51st Subscription Concert

旭川市青少年吹奏楽団 第51回定期演奏会

The Asahikawa Youth Brass Band is back at the Civic Culture Hall playing a variety of well-known Japanese and foreign songs! Hear foreign classics like "I Got Rhythm," "Danny Boy," and "Sousa March Carnival." On the Japanese side, enjoy songs like "Yosakoi," "Osho", and songs from Ghibli movies like "Kiki's Delivery Service."

Date: 4/29 (Sunday)

Time: Opens 13:30, Starts 14:00

Venue: Asahikawa Civic Culture Hall, Large Hall (7-jo-dori 8-chome)

Admission: General Admission ¥800, High School Students and under ¥500. Tickets available for purchase day-of the concert

Ticket Office: Yamaha Music Retailing Store, Asahikawa Civic Culture Hall Shop

For Further Information Contact: 090-6694-0050



Swan Pure Sound Bouquet vol. 8

スワン・ピュア・サウンド・ブーケ

This is no ordinary piano concert. These musicians travel across Japan performing incredible concerts and they range from 3rd year in Elementary School to 3rd year in University. They are the students of SHIBUYA Aika, a professional pianist born in Asahikawa who has been playing concerts and entering competitions throughout Japan. Please enjoy what is sure to be a wonderful concert!

Date: 4/29 (Sunday)

Time: Opens 14:30, Starts 15:00

Venue: Asahikawa Taisetsu Crystal Hall, Concert Hall (Kagura 3-jo 7-chome)

Admission: Purchase in Advance ¥1,000, Purchase Day-of ¥1,500

Ticket Office: Yamaha Music Retailing Store, Crystal Hall Shop

For Further Information Contact: 0166-53-5540



EVENTS IN ASAHIKAWA FOR APRIL

Asahikawa Living

Vegetarian Dining in Asahikawa

By Lianna Hrycyk

If there is one thing I know for sure, it's this: when you walk through the Asahikawa city center, a ramen shop will always be a stone's throw away. You might also smell sizzling fried chicken, yakiniku, and barbequed lamb in the distance... Asahikawa is a foodie paradise for meat lovers.

This reality is a dream come true for my carnivorous friends, but it left the vegetarian in me intimidated when I first moved to the area two years ago! Luckily, I have discovered several delicious vegetarian havens in a sea of ramen. Read on to learn about a few of my favorite spots for a vegetarian-friendly meal:



Option 1 – Conveyor-Belt Sushi

Sushi restaurants are my go-to for a quick, no-hassle meal. You can always count on being able to order rolls made with cucumber and pickled gourd, as well as rice in sweet, deep-fried tofu.

My favorite spot: Toriton / 回転寿しトリトン旭神店, Kyokushin 3-jo 5-chome, Asahikawa, Hokkaido

What to order: いなり (rice in deep-fried tofu pockets), ゆずいなり (rice in deep-fried tofu pockets, seasoned with yuzu), 梅じそ巻き (pickled plum and perilla leaf roll), かっぱ巻き (cucumber maki roll), かんぴょう巻き (pickled gourd maki roll), 梅オクラ nigiri (pickled plum and okra), なす nigiri (eggplant sushi, request it made vegetarian without dried fish flakes by writing “カツオなし” on the order sheet).

Tip: In spring and summer, sushi made with seasonal vegetables will occasionally be offered as a special. Keep your eyes peeled for asparagus tempura sushi rolls.

Option 2 – Okonomiyaki and Kushikatsu

Okonomiyaki is a cabbage-based savoury pancake made with meat and fish, and topped with dried fish flakes. A vegetarian version can be easily requested. This restaurant also serves plenty of skewered, deep-fried foods (kushikatsu) if you're craving some greasy goodness!

My favorite spot: 粉もんず2条昭和通店, 2-jo-dori 6-chome, Asahikawa, Hokkaido 070-0032

What to order: The chef here is understanding and used to accommodating for vegetarians (they've heard my special order many times). Tell the waiter you're vegetarian and that you'd like okonomiyaki without meat or fish, but with vegetables instead. I also recommend the deep-fried kushikatsu skewers of cheese or tomatoes – I've ordered more than I care to admit!

Tip: Always specify no dried fish flakes on your okonomiyaki by saying “カツオなし” (pronounced “katsuo nashi”), as they are often considered a topping, and not “fish”!

Option 3 – Nepalese and Indian Curry

These curry shops often have a vegetable or bean curry made without meat. Bonus – many shops also have staff who speak English!

My favorite spot: ダイニングアンドネパール, Toko 5-jo 6-chome, Asahikawa, Hokkaido 078-8345

What to order: I love this shop as it is affordable and delicious. The staff is lovely and will guide you through the vegetarian curry options. Don't forget to order some garlic cheese naan on the side. This shop also has a flavorful vegetarian version of Hokkaido's famous soup curry – score!

Tip: You can upgrade any curry into a creamy spinach-based green curry. I haven't been able to find green curry anywhere else in the city.

Whether you are a strict vegetarian or are simply looking to include more vegetables in your diet, I hope you'll check out and support these fantastic restaurants listed above. Vegetarian dining can be a challenge, but with a little searching, your taste buds will be rewarded. *Itadakimasu!*



Hello Asahikawa!

Name: Meng Ling Tong

Home Country: China

Interviewed: March 8th, 2018

If you live in Asahikawa or are just passing through and would like to be interviewed for "Hello Asahikawa," email us at cir_kokusai@city.asahikawa.hokkaido.jp!

AIC: **So Meng, what brings you to Japan?**

Meng: I came here to study various medical techniques as a graduate student. Specifically, I wanted to study about liver transplants. I started here as soon as I graduated from my medical school in China. When I was little, I really liked manga and anime and that left a big impression on me. I was really interested in Japan, so at that time I knew that if I ever got the opportunity to go to Japan I would take it.

AIC: **Where are you from originally?**

Meng: I'm from Dalian, China. It's in the northeastern part of the country next to Korea.

AIC: **How does living here compare to living in Dalian?**

Meng: The snow is the most difficult thing about living here. There's too much of it! Winter in Dalian is cold but compared to Asahikawa it's nothing. It snows in Dalian too, but it melts quickly. It's completely different compared to Asahikawa. I was shocked. This is what it's like living in the North, I suppose!

AIC: **Is there something that you particularly like about Asahikawa or Japan in General?**

Meng: Yes, there are quite a few things I like about this area. I like to exercise so I enjoy the skiing here. I don't have a lot of opportunities to go skiing here but I go once in a while. About once every 2 months. If a friend comes to visit me we'll go a few times throughout the week but I don't go that much by myself. I also like Japanese food. Sushi and ramen are my favorites. I'm a big fan of ramen so I often travel outside the city to highly rated ramen shops.



AIC: **What is your favorite ramen shop in Asahikawa?**

Meng: My favorite is a place called "Furuki" in Asahikawa. It's a small shop and the business hours are short, but when you go there it's always crowded. If you ever have the chance you should go!

AIC: **Yeah, I'll give it a try! Now, what are your hobbies?**

Meng: Besides exercising I enjoy reading, particularly medical textbooks and magazines. I like to read materials that relate to my studies.

AIC: **Is there anything you miss about China?**

Meng: As for food, I miss gyoza. On new years my family gets together and we make gyoza. Of course I like eating it and making it, but the atmosphere the whole family talking and making gyoza together is so much fun. Whenever I visit home I contact my friends immediately and we go out to eat. There's nothing too interesting around my house so they'll come pick me up and we have fun together. Also, the time I spend with my family and relatives is really important to me and I miss them.

AIC: Do you speak any foreign languages?
Meng: I speak a little Japanese and although I can't speak English very well, I can read and write in it. I often read medical-related articles and essays written in English.

AIC: How long do you plan to be in Asahikawa?
Meng: I've lived here for 5 years already and I plan on being here for another 2 years or so. Once I graduate I am going to study under one of my teachers here and learn about liver transplants more in-depth. Once I acquire the skills I need I am going to head back to Dalian. I want to be able to help people over there. That is my goal right now.

AIC: How do you feel about karaoke?
Meng: I like karaoke but I'm awful at it (laughs). My superiors at work invite me out for karaoke quite a bit. I usually just sit back and listen to everyone's singing. When it gets to my turn I'll say something like "Sorry I'm not feeling well today!" (laughs). I can't sing very well, but I absolutely love music.

AIC: Thank you for letting me interview you!
Meng: You're welcome.



★ Movies ~ April ★

*The 1st day of every month is "Movie Day" in Asahikawa. Admission (tax included) is ¥1,100 for Adults, ¥800 for High School Students and Under at all theaters.

*<Aeon Cinema Only> Every Monday is "Happy Monday." Admission is ¥1,100 (tax included) for all.

★ **Aeon Cinema:** Miyashita-dori 7-chome / 0166 – 74 – 6411
 URL: cinema.aeoncinema.com/wm/asahikawa (Japanese)

Now Showing

- honey (Japanese)
- The Commuter (English)
- Valerian and the City of a Thousand Planets (English)
- Red Sparrow (English/R15+)
- Tomb Raider (English)
- The Boss Baby (Japanese/Anime)
- Laughing Under the Clouds (Japanese)
- Chihayafuru Part3 (Japanese)
- Coco double feature w/ Olaf's Frozen Adventure (Japanese/Anime)
- Sakura Guardian in the North (Japanese)
- Last Winter, We Parted (Japanese)
- Kids on the Slope (Japanese)
- Ultraman Geed the Movie: Connect Them! The Wishes!! (Japanese)
- Doraemon the Movie: Nobita's Treasure Island (Japanese/Anime)
- Principal (Japanese)
- Black Panther (English)
- Ku Kai (Japanese)
- The Greatest Showman (English)
- The Crimes That Blind (Japanese)

Coming Soon

- Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle (English) 4/6
- Detroit (English) 4/7~4/19
- Thomas the Tank Engine the Movie: Big World! Big Adventure! (English/Anime) 4/7
- Pacific Rim Uprising (English) 4/13
- Crayon Shin-chan: Burst Serving! Kung Fu Boys ~Ramen Rebellion~ (Japanese/Anime) 4/13
- Detective Conan the Movie: Zero's Executioner (Japanese/Anime) 4/13
- Inuyashiki (Japanese) 4/20
- Ready Player One (English) 4/20
- Avengers: Infinity War (English) 4/27
- My Little Monster (Japanese) 4/27
- Laplace's Witch (Japanese) 5/4
- Maquia: When the Promised Flower Blooms (Japanese/Anime) 5/11~5/24
- Love x Doc (Japanese) 5/11

Movie schedules change often. Please call the theater for confirmation and details.

★ Movies ~ April ★

*<Cineplex 7 Asahikawa and Dinos Cinemas Only> Every Wednesday is “Ladies’ Day.” Admission is ¥1,100 (tax included) for women at all theaters.

*<Dinos Cinemas Only> Every Thursday is “Men’s Day.” Admission is ¥1,100 (tax included) for men.

★ **Cineplex 7 Asahikawa:** Nagayama 12-jo 3-chome Western Powers Nagayama / 0166 – 49 – 1000

URL: <http://www.unitedcinemas.jp/asahikawa/index.html> (Japanese)

Directions: Take Dohoku Bus No. 66, 72 or 665 at Bus stop No. 18 in front of Feeeal Asahikawa Department Store (1-jo-dori 8-chome). Get off at “Nagayama 10 (ju)-jo 3 (san)-chome.”

Now Showing

- Crusher Joe the Movie (Japanese/Anime) ~4/6
- Red Sparrow (English/R15+)
- Laughing Under the Clouds (Japanese)
- Tomb Raider (English 2D, Japanese 4DX2D)
- Pretty Cure Super Stars! (Japanese/Anime)
- Coco double feature w/ Olaf's Frozen Adventure (Japanese 2D, 4DX2D/Anime)
- Last Winter, We Parted (Japanese)
- Sakura Guardian in the North (Japanese)
- Kids on the Slope (Japanese)
- Doraemon the Movie: Nobita's Treasure Island (Japanese/Anime)
- Principal (Japanese)
- Black Panther (English 2D, Japanese 4DX3D)
- The Shape of Water (English/R15+)
- The Greatest Showman (English)
- Tonight, at the Movies (Japanese)
- Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri (English)
- The Crimes That Blind (Japanese)

Coming Soon

- Atarashi Chizu: Kusoyaro to Utsukushiki Sekai (Japanese) 4/6 ~4/19
- Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle (English 2D, Japanese 2D, 4Dx2D) 4/6
- Crayon Shin-chan: Burst Serving! Kung Fu Boys ~Ramen Rebellion~ (Japanese/Anime) 4/13
- Pacific Rim Uprising (English) 4/13
- Detective Conan the Movie: Zero's Executioner (Japanese/Anime) 4/13
- Ready Player One (English) 4/20
- Inuyashiki (Japanese) 4/20
- Avengers: Infinity War (English) 4/27
- Marmalade Boy (Japanese) 4/27
- Laplace's Witch (Japanese) 5/4
- Blood of Wolves (Japanese/R15+) 5/12
- Peter Rabbit (English) 5/18

★ **Dinos Cinemas:** Taisetsu-dori 5-chome / 0166 – 21 – 1218

URL: <http://cinema.sugai-dinos.jp/pc/> (Japanese)

Directions: Take Dohoku Bus No. 61, 62, 67 or 667 at Bus stop No. 18 in front of Feeeal Asahikawa Department Store (1-jo-dori 8-chome). Get off at “Nippon Seishi mae.”

Now Showing

- The Post (English)
- Red Sparrow (English/R15+)
- The Boss Baby (Japanese/Anime)
- Laughing Under the Clouds (Japanese)
- Tomb Raider (English)
- Chihayafuru Part3 (Japanese)
- Coco double feature w/ Olaf's Frozen Adventure (Japanese/Anime)
- Last Winter, We Parted (Japanese)
- Sakura Guardian in the North (Japanese)
- Shimajiro:Mahou no Shima no Daibouken (Japanese/Anime)
- Principal (Japanese)
- Doraemon the Movie: Nobita's Treasure Island (Japanese/Anime)
- The Shape of Water (English/R15+)
- The 15:17 to Paris (English)
- Black Panther (English)
- Ku Kai (Japanese)
- Macross Delta the Movie: Passionate Walkure (Japanese/Anime)
- The Greatest Showman (English)
- Tonight, at the Movies (Japanese)

Coming Soon

- Code Geass: Hangyaku no Lelouch (Japanese/Anime) 4/6~4/19
- Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle (English) 4/6
- Pacific Rim Uprising (English) 4/13
- Detective Conan the Movie: Zero's Executioner (Japanese/Anime) 4/13
- Crayon Shin-chan: Burst Serving! Kung Fu Boys ~Ramen Rebellion~ (Japanese/Anime) 4/13
- blank13 (Japanese) 4/13~4/26
- Ready Player One (English) 4/20
- Avengers: Infinity War (English) 4/27
- My Little Monster (Japanese) 4/27
- Blood of Wolves (Japanese/R15+) 5/12
- Peter Rabbit (English) 5/18

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AIC Japanese Language Course



Are you new to Japanese and looking for a way to improve your language skills? The Asahikawa International Committee will provide a Japanese Language course that meets every Wednesday from April 4th to June 6, 2018, for a total of 10 lessons. This course will teach "Introductory" and "Beginner" level Japanese so if you don't have much experience with Japanese then this is the perfect opportunity to improve! Due to a limited number of Japanese teachers, both levels will be taught in one class. If you're a student, you can join for free! There are a limited number of spots available so be sure to register quickly!

Dates: Every Wednesday from April 4th, 2018

Time: 15:45-17:15

Charge: ¥3,000 for 10 lessons to be paid in full on the first day. (Fees for textbooks are separate).

*Tuition fees will be waived for those receiving city welfare aid, students, etc.

*No portion of the tuition fee will be reimbursed in the event of absence.

Seat Limit: 8 people

Location: Asahikawa International Center Common Meeting Room 1 (1-jo-dori 8-chome Feeeal Asahikawa)

Please contact AIC at the number listed at the bottom of this page for more information or to register.

FUN FRIDAYS

Interesting activities, such as quizzes, discussions, songs, games, handcrafts and many more, all in English! Come meet new people, relax, and relate on Fun Fridays!

Dates: April 13th & 27th, May 11th & 25th, June 8th & 22nd

Times: 1:00pm-2:00pm ~Afternoon~ 2nd and 4th Friday of the month
6:30pm-8:30pm ~Night~ 2nd Friday of the month

Location: Asahikawa International Center, Common Meeting Room (1) (Feeeal Asahikawa 7F 1-jo-dori 8-chome)

Charge: ¥1,500 for 3 months (Free for volunteer leaders)

The AIC offers many services to make your life in Asahikawa more enjoyable. Here are just a few:

Volunteer Guide: Volunteers are registered to help translate and interpret.

Event Volunteer: The AIC plans many exciting events throughout the year, such as Friendship Parties. Why not become a volunteer and help plan these events?

Homestay: Families are registered to welcome you into their homes for an overnight stay or just for an afternoon visit.

For further information or to register, please contact AIC.



The Asahikawa International Center (Feeeal Asahikawa 7F 1-jo-dori 8-chome) has free wifi available for public use free of charge. Registration for a user card is needed, if you are residing in Asahikawa. Please feel free to come by anytime, as well as check out some of the other services and activities available at the Asahikawa International Center .

Spread the Word...

Contribute to the AIC newsletter and share any interesting information you may have with other readers. You may write on any topic including, items to buy or sell, offers for culture/language exchanges, or write an essay about your life in Asahikawa or your hometown. The article should not be profit related! Please send your submissions to us at the AIC.



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