# Think globally; Act locally

#### What does Active Line mean?

Active Line is a nonpolitical, nonreligious, non-profit organization that is actively seeking to form lines of communication with citizens of the world through volunteer activities. Active Line wishes to set itself apart from other "friendship" organizations by making efforts to improve the attitudes of Japanese nationals toward resident foreign people in Japan. As of October 1, 2000 there were 5, 652 people with different languages and cultures living in Hachioji. This simple fact suggests that creating an open world society in which everyone lives in harmony, is becoming increasingly important in the Hachioji area. The goal of Active Line is to think globally and act locally. Active Line would like to broaden its vision. We would like to see ourselves as members of an international community, not a "closed" local society. Active Line wants to help develop the Hachioji area from a global perspective.

## The Beat Goes On!

Plan now for the Saturday, November 18th, 6:30 PM performance of "Evening of African and Japanese Drum" sponsored by Active Line. This collaboration of musicians will feature: Mr. Osuman Orando Bingle of Ghana, Mr. Latvr Sv of Senagal, and the Bushu Imakuma Daiko group of Japan. During the performance, foreign musicians will share highlights about their cultures with the audience. Mr. Bingle sings Ghanaian folk music accompanied by the traditional drum, kpanlogo, and plays a "talking drum", which has been used for work communication in Africa. Mr. Sy was the leader of a percussion band, "African Djemmbe", which played official welcome ceremonies for visiting dignitaries like Margaret Thatcher and Francois Mitterand. In 1995 he came to Japan and can be found playing traditional Western African, jazz, rock, and classical Japanese music. The Bushu Imakuma Daiko group, designated a drum preservation group by the Imakuma Shrine, was founded in 1979 by six people. This "Evening of African and Japanese Drum" will surely get the 8th floor of the Kitano Civic Center, located in front of the Kitano Station on Keio Line, beating. Parking is available in the Kitano Town Building, and will be free for 1 1/2 hours with a 2,000 yen or more purchase from Daiei Supermarket. All seats are nonreserved. For more information, please call Manfred Hiltl in German/ English at 0426-63-2529 or Yumiko Sato in English/Japanese at 0426-68-5208. Don't miss it!

#### アフリカンドラムと和太鼓の夕べ

ガーナとセネガルの伝統音楽と武州今熊太鼓との共演 アフリカのドラム と日本の太鼓、そしてあなたの命の鼓動をひとつに

> 演奏者: オスマン・オランド・ピングル (ガーナ) ラティール・シー (セネガル)

八王子市川口地区郷土芸能保存会・武州今熊太鼓 日時:11月18日(土) 6:30 P M ~ 8:30 P M

場所:北野市民センター (八王子市北野町545-3) きたのタウンビル8階 京王線「北野駅」下車徒歩1分

入場料:¥1,000 (1ドリンク付き)

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人は誰でも、自分 を閉じ込めている殻 に気付き、自らこれ を打ち破ろうとしな ければ、外の世界に 触れることも、外の 世界からの呼びかけ に応えることもでき ません。広い世界に 心を開き、異なった 文化、異なった言語 を持つ人々と共生し ていくことで私達は 心の豊かさやゆとり を得ることができ、 自分の住む町を開か れた、誰にでも住み やすい地域に育てて いくことができま アクティ ヴラインは、これま での単なる「友好団 体」ではなく、私達 日本人の中にある 「外国」、「外国人」と いう意識やそこから 生まれる姿勢を見直 し、すべての人と隣 人になれることを目 指そうというグルー プです。

「Volcano」 は火山です。一人 人の心の中の思いが マグマのように溢れ 出て、一つの流れと なる時、その流れは 変化を促す力となっ てくれるでしょう。

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# Life Stories: "By the Edge" By: Julie Fine



Following the sound of the whistle, I made my way to the edge of the pool for the mandatory 10 minute break. My eyes met an outstretched hand and a smiling face with a red bathing cap. Grasping the hand, I remained in the pool thinking about where I had met this

man before. Was he connected to someone at work? Had I met him around my apartment?

In a ridiculously loud voice, the man asked me, "What time did you go to sleep last night?" A little taken aback by the question, I responded tentatively, "1:00." As I climbed out of the pool, my hand remained attached. Following the second question, "Are you feeling fine?", realized that I had never met this person before. Still holding my hand, he asked what my name was, and when I responded, "Julie", he became quite enthusiastic. chan, Julie-chan", he proclaimed loudly. At this point, I found myself seated on the bench being patted on the head like a dog. "Do you have hair?", he asked as he removed my purple swimming cap to inspect what was underneath. I accepted a half embrace from Curiosity and shot back a question. "What's your name?" I queried. "Kondo Noriyuki," he responded proudly and he grinned famously. "Julie-chan. Julie-chan. Are you feeling fine? Where do you live? What time did you go to sleep last night? Julie-chan. Are you feeling fine?" "Yes, I'm fine.", I answered.

Nonplused about meeting a non-Japanese person, his interest seemed rather in having his questions answered. Feat completed, he shuffled off to a nearby spot on the tile floor. During the remainder of the 10 minute pause Noriyuki sporadically blurted out, "Julie-chan, are you feeling fine?" Each time I nodded in response, he'd smile contentedly as if I'd given him a large yellow balloon. As the whistle blew marking the completion of the break, Noriyuki gleefully bounded into the pool. Humming to himself, with the odd squawk and squeak, he was oblivious to those around him.

Just moments before the pool closed, I found myself resting at the side of the pool. No sooner had I tried to catch my breath, when I was approached by a woman. "America, is that where you're from? Oh Canada, huh? Well, when did you get here? Six weeks ago? Well then, what do you do here? Are you a student? University teacher? What then? Oh, you're a teacher. Are you married? No? How old are you? Twenty-seven, eh? Do you live alone? You do? Where do you live? Oh, that's close to here. Your Japanese is good. You understand?"

I turned from the woman with many questions, propped myself up and climbed out of the pool. I had had enough questions for the day. As I was about to enter the women's changing room, I heard a familiar voice. "What time did you go to sleep last night? What's your name? Are you feeling fine?" This time the questions were not directed at me, but rather the pool staff. "Ah", I thought, "How are **they** going to deal with Noriyuki and his yellow balloon?"

#### ライフ・ストーリー:「プールの端っこで」 ジュリー・ファイン

ホイッスルの音に従って、私は決められた10分間の休憩の為、プールの端まで泳いで行きました。差し伸ばされた手と、赤い水泳帽をかぶった笑顔が私の目に飛び込んできました。その手をつかみ、プールの中で、この男の人にどこで会ったのか思い出そうとしていました。仕事の関係の人かな、住んでいるアパートの近くであったのかな。

声でその男は私に、「昨日の晩、何時に寝たの?」と尋ね ました。その質問にしばし呆気に取られて、ためらいが ちに「1時」と答えました。プールから這い上がった時、私 の手はまだ握られたままでした。「気分は良いかい?」と いう二番目の質問を受けた直ぐ後で、この男とは会った ことがないとはっきり思いました。私の手を握ったまま で、私が何という名前か尋ねました。そして、「ジュリー よ」と答えると、とても熱心になって「ジュリーちゃん、 ジュリーちゃん」と大声ではっきりと言いました。この 時、私はベンチに腰をかけてまるで犬の様に頭をなでら れているのに気が付きました。「髪の毛はあるかい?」 と、中に何があるか確かめようと、私の紫色のスイミン グキャップを頭から取りながら尋ねました。半分抱きし められながら、質問をぶつけ返しました。「お名前は?」 と尋ねました。「コンドー・ノリユキ」と誇らしく答え、 にっこりと笑いました。「ジュリーちゃん、ジュリー ちゃん、気分は良いかい?」「どこに住んでいるの?」 「昨日の晩、何時に寝たの?」「気分は良いかい?」「え え」と私は答えました。

彼は日本人でない人との出会いに当惑しながら、興味は自分の質問への回答にあるようでした。驚くべき矢継ぎ早の質問が終わって、彼はタイルの床に上がって近くの場所まで足を引きずりながら行きました。10分の休憩時間が終わるまで、時々「ジュリーちゃん、気分は良いかい?」と口に出していました。私がこれに答えてうなずく度に、彼はまるで私が大きな黄色の風船をあげたように、満足して微笑みました。休憩の終わりを告げるホイッスルが鳴ると、ノリユキは上機嫌でプールに飛びこん



で行きました。ガーガー、キーキーと奇妙な音を立てて、一人鼻歌を歌いながら、そんな事を気にも止めていませんでした。プールが閉まる前、私はプールサイドで休んでいました。一息つく間もなく、一人の女性が私に向かって歩いてきました。アメリカから来たの?ああカナダ?

そう?えーと、いつ来たの?6週間前?えーと、それでここでは何をしているの?学生さん?大学の先生?それで何なの?ああ先生。結婚してるの?まだ?年はいくつ?えー、27?一人で暮らしているの?そうでしょう?どこに住んでいるの?あーここの近くね。あんた日本語が上手いね。わかる?私はたくさんの質問を浴びながらその女性から離れて、身体を支えてプールから這い上がりました.今日はもう十分な質問を受けました。女性用の更衣室に入ろうとした時、聞きなれた声が聞えてきました。「昨日の晩何時に寝たの?名前は?気分は良い?今度は、質問は私にではなくプールのスタッフに向けられていました。「あー」と私は考えました。「あの人達は、ノリュキと彼の黄色の風船をどんな風に扱うのかしら?」

# Life Stories: "Everybody's Cat—Noraneko (stray cat)" By: Manfred Hiltl

In June of last year, two months after moving into a house in a quiet Hachioji neighborhood, six cute kittens, followed by neko okasan, (mother cat), climbed over a wall into our garden. The mother, a real white beauty, had three kittens as white as her, one brownie, and two spotted ones.

Sunbathing on the stones in our garden, the kittens soon found themselves playing and chasing around in our house. *Okasan* (mother) waited patiently outside. Being young and cute is the best time you can have in Japan, not only as a cat. We only fed the kittens occasionally, but they always returned after playing in the neighborhood. The kittens grew up; at the end of July we went to Germany. At that time we'd already noticed that *okasan* was pregnant again.

Shortly after returning to Japan at the end of August, okasan appeared with 3 new kittens. After a couple of days, two of them disappeared and were never seen again. So it was just mother and one white kitten—the smallest and weakest. At this time, it was the never-ending rainy season of 1998. The baby cried, tried to eat, but was already sick and weak. The mother always carried it by the neck to the neighbor's roof when she left and stayed there at night. Less than two weeks later, on a rainy Sunday morning, Mother brought the kitten to a cardboard box lined with newspapers we had in front of our dining room. The kitten's cries became weaker and weaker and it had stopped trying to nurse from the mother. Although too young to die, within two hours its body didn't move anymore. With the mother gone and the flies approaching, I dug a hole and buried koneko (little cat), placing a stone on top. The rain continued.

After two days of crying and searching for her baby, neko okasan became a regular at our house. Spending nights outside, Mother could always be found waiting outside the dining room in the morning when we got up. On January 3rd, local tomcats increasingly prowled around the house. It's mating season again! Two of the tomcats were real outlaws—terminators (tougher than Arnold Schwarzenegger), survivors. We called one Mr. Handsome. Mother cat became increasingly nervous. Saturday, January 23rd, was the night of all nights. I did some research via e-mail with some German friends who knew a lot about cats. I learned the gestation period is 63 days, plus or minus 7 days. One month later, okasan started checking out every room and closet in the house, crawled in every box, and even went to the off-limits second floor, looking for a warm, cozy, and safe place to give birth. Her belly grew larger and larger. (Continued on Page 4)

ライフ・ストーリー: みんなの猫・野良猫 マンフレッド・ヒルティル





- 1. Learn Japanese—Free private and small group lessons with volunteer teachers. Please contact Toshiko Sonoda in Japanese/English at 042-594-0157 for more information.
- 2. Active Line Meetings—Saturdays, December 16, 2000 and Janauary 20, 2001. Checkmark 2:00 PM. Hachioji Rosei Kaikan lobby. (5minute walk from Keio-Hachioji station) For a map, contact Yumiko Sato in English or Japanese at Phone/FAX: 0426-68-5208. Everyone is welcome!
- ボランティア教師による個 1. 日本語学習 人または小グループのレッスン。無料。問い 合わせ:園田とし子 Tel: 042-594-0157
- 2. アクティヴライン定例会議 (土)、2001年1月20日(土)、2時から4時ま で。八王子労政会館1階ロビー。(京王八王子 駅から徒歩約5分)興味のある方はどなたで も歓迎。

(continued from Page 3)How many kittens will it be this time? In the meantime, 62 days had passed since mating. We had left for vacation and returned on April 1st.

e 3) Where is Mother? Where are the babies? Mother appeared soon, but alone. Her belly looked much smaller; there was some blood around her tail. The next day she came with one female brownie in her mouth. We knew who the father was. And the other kittens? Nobody knows. I prepared a cardboard box for Mother and her baby. The kitten

sleeps and nurses, sleeps and nurses. It doesn't have to fight for milk with any siblings; it has all 6 nipples for itself. It takes a week before baby "Bobo" opens its eyes. Mother often carries Bobo to a hidden place in the house. This gives Mother a sense of security when she leaves the house. When I leave the house. I put the box outside. When I return and open the entrance door. I can see Mother's white head looking out of the box. Soon I open the dining room door to let Mother and Bobp inside. It takes about two weeks before a kitten can walk alright and another two weeks or so before it can climb or jump. The language of cats is quite discriminating: Where is Bobo? I'm hungry! Where are my other babies? I'm lonely! Come to me. Come, I've caught a bird or a lizard! Sorry, I can't express all the varieties of cat language.

Mother is constantly licking Bobo's fur and its excrement organs, so there is no need to worry about pee pee for the first month. In the meantime, Bobo is almost two months old and is a cute happy kitten—running, jumping, climbing, and playing. It is cared for by his mother and us. However, its happy life will soon come to an end. Mother mated two weeks after giving birth on April 11th. We were puzzled. Apparently, because she had lost all except one kitten in her March delivery, her survival instincts told her to mate again to compensate her previous losses. When a mother cat has new kittens, the previous ones are abandoned and are considered strangers or intruders to her territory. So, we don't know yet what to do after the June delivery? Back to nature. Back to outdoor life.

#### アクティヴライン メンバー募集 一緒にやってみませんか

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今度は何匹生れるのだろうか。そうこうするうち に、62日が過ぎ私達は休暇で出掛け4月1日に戻っ てきた。母親は、赤ん坊はどこだろう?母親はす ぐやって来た。が、一人ぼっちだった。彼女のお 腹は小さくなっているようだし尻尾の周りには血 がついていた。翌日、彼女は赤ん坊をくわえて やって来た。たった一匹、茶色の女の子だ。私達 は誰が父親かが分かる。でも他の人達は?誰も知 らないことだ。私は猫の母子にダンボールを用意 した。

赤ん坊は眠っては飲み、飲んでは眠った。六つ の乳首を独り占めして、兄弟と争うこともなく。 赤ん坊は(私はボボと呼んでいたのだが)目を開け るのに1週間かかった。母親は時々ボボをどこか 家の中の秘密の場所に連れて行こうとした。それ は出掛ける母親に安心感を与えるのだ。私が出掛 ける時は箱を外に出しておく。帰ってくると玄関 のドアを開ける音を聞いて、箱から外を見ている 母猫の白い頭が見えるのだった。食堂のドアを開 けて2匹を入れてやるまで箱の外で待っていた。 子猫は何とか歩けるようになるのに約2週間かか る。登ったりジャンプしたり出来るまでにはもう 2週間あまり必要だ。猫の言葉は本当に分かりや すい。ボボはどこ?お腹がすいた。他の赤ちゃん はどこへ行ったの?私は寂しいの。こっちへおい で.おいで、小鳥またはトカゲを捕まえたの。残 念ながら私は全ての猫語を言い表すことは出来な いのだが。

母猫はいつもボボの毛やお尻を舐めているから 最初の1ヶ月はおしっこについて心配する必要は ないのだ。そのうちボボは2ヶ月になった。可愛 い幸せな子猫、走ったり跳ねたり、登ったり遊ん だり、母親や私達に大切にされて。しかし、幸せ な生活はやがて終わるものなのだ。4月11日誕生 2週間後、母猫は再び、つがった。私達は驚い た。が、それは3月の出産で一匹を除いて全ての子 猫を失ったせいだと思う。生存本能がもっと子猫 を生み前回の損失を埋め合わせるようにと告げた のだ。母猫が新しい子猫を産むと前の子猫は母猫 にとって他人であり、いわば縄張りへの侵入者で ある。だから、私達は6月中旬の出産の後どうすれ ば良いのか分からないのである。自然に帰れ、戸 外の生活に戻れ!

Do you have a question for Hanako-san? Would you like to express your opinion? Have a personal story to share? Please send contributions to the address printed on the back page of the newsletter in either Japanese or English. All are subject to space availability. Contributors may remain anonymous in Volcano if so stated, but name and phone number will be retained in the editors' files.

「花子さん」に 質問がありません か?あなたの意見 を発表してみませ んか?分かち合い たい経験はありま せんか?

このニュースレ ターの裏面に記載 されている住所ま でご投稿をお願い します。日本語で も英語でも結構で す。

掲載は全て紙面 の都合によりま す。なお、投稿さ れる時は、必ずお 名前とお電話番号 を記入して下さ い。ご希望があれ ば、紙面上では匿 名にさせて頂きま す。

### Dear Hanako-san

Question: Can you explain the custom of gift-giving in Japan?

**Answer:** Japanese love to give gifts, yet you'll find gifts to be impersonal and the act itself to simply be a formality for the sake of good human relations. Gift-giving seems endless and is complex. (No meaning and makes little sense!) Main Types—O-chugen (mid-year) gifts are given when inquiring about the health and well-being of 主たる贈り物のタイプ friends and work associates in the hot summer months. O-seibo (year-end) gifts are given as a token of appreciation for everything someone has done for you during the past year. Hikkoshi-soba (moving-in noodles) is a custom requiring new residents of a neighborhood to go door to door handing out soba (buckwheat noodles) to their neighbors while at the same time introducing themselves and expressing hope that they will become good neighbors. Recently, small towels and sweets are given instead of soba. Of course, one should not go empty handed the first time they pay someone a casual visit at their home. A gift of flowers, wine, or little cakes will be seen as a symbol of respect and affection for the host. These are known as temiyage.

Gift Ideas—Popular items for o-chugen and o-seibo include special gift sets of beer, sake, wine, green tea, tea, coffee, cookies, chocolate, Japanese sweets, salad oil, sesame oil, fresh meat, sea food, fruit, towels, tableware, soap, and laundry detergent. Gift certificates are also popular, especially from department stores, and the following: beer, rice, ice-cream, books. exclusive hotel dining, flowers, etc.

**Etiquette**—A letter/postcard/note is usually sent separate of the gift. Keep in mind that everyone you send a year-end gift to is also a candidate for a らせることなく友人や近所の方に分けましょ Japanese New Year's card. Send a thank you letter/postcard for each gift you receive. A phone call is also acceptable.

**Large Quantities**—Since frig space is limited and storage space in general is lacking, share fresh food that you receive with friends and neighbors before it spoils.

Recycled Gifts—Consider bazaars and "used-gift いでしょう。欧米の考えでは、キャンディ、 companies" for buying/selling unopened and

unwanted gifts. It's a means of doing

economical shopping. "Usedgift companies" buy gifts at low prices and resell them at a discount.

#### 花子さんへ

·Q:日本の贈答習慣について説 、明してください。

A:日本人は贈り物好きです が、贈り物は非個人的で、そ の行動自体が、良い人間関係

のための単なる形式的なものだと気が付くで しょう。贈答は際限がなく、複雑です。(意 味がなく、訳も分かりませんが!)

お中元は、真夏の 暑い時、書中見舞いを兼ねて友人や会社関係 に贈られます。お歳暮は、年末に1年の感謝を 込めてお世話になった方に贈ります。引越そ ばは、引越先の近所に「今後よろしく」という 挨拶をして回り「そば」を配ります。最近で は、「そば」の代りにタオルやお菓子を配るこ ともあります。もちろん、ちょっとした訪問 でも手ぶらでは行きません。その家の人に敬 意や好意を表すため花や、ワイン、ちょっと したお菓子などを持って行きます。「手土 産」と呼ばれるものです。

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## Information Briefs— **Music Concerts/Theater**

#### コンサート/劇場 情報

#### **Tama Wind Philharmonic Family Concert**

Date: Sunday, November 19, 2000

Time: 2:00-4:00 PM Place: Hachioii Ichou Hall

Admission: Free

Call: 042-339-3616 (Japanese) Tama Wind Philharmonic

#### "My Town, My Asia" (Japanese,

Korean, Chinese music)

Date: Friday, November 24, 2000

Time: 6:30-8:30 PM Place: Hachioji Civic Hall Admission: 4,300 yen (S-seats),

3,500 yen (A-seats)

Call: 03-5362-3450 (Japanese) Minshu Ongaku Kyoukai

#### **Vienna Clarinet Trio**

Date: Tuesday, November 28, 2000

Time: Starts 7:00 PM

Place: Minami-Osawa Cultural Hall

Admission: Free

Call: 0426-70-7715 (Japanese) Minami-Osawa Ongaku Kyokai

#### "Japanese Sounds Toward the 21st Century"

Sho, Sangen (old Japanese instruments)

and *Kokyu* (Chinese fiddle)

Date: Sunday, December 10, 2000

Time: 1:30 PM Place: Ichou Hall Admission: 1000 yen

Call: 0426-62-8300 (Japanese) Shokyoku, Midori-no-kai

### "Noh Farce World" (theater)

Date: Sunday, January 21, 2000

Time: Starts 2:00 PM Place: Hachioji Ichou Hall Admission: 5,000 yen (SS-seats),

4,000 yen (S-seats), 3,000 yen (A-seats)

Call: 0426-21-3005

多摩ウィンドフィルハーモニー ファミリーコンサート

日時:11月19日(日) 時間: 2:00~4:00PM

場所:八王子いちょうホール

入場料:無料 問い合わせ先: 下里 042(339)3616

#### 私の町 私のアジア

(日本、韓国、中国) 日時:11月24日(金) 時間:6:30~8:30PM 場所:八王子市民会館 入場料:4,300円 (S席) 3,500円 (A席)

問い合わせ先:

民主音楽協会 03(5362)3450

ウイ ン・クラリネット・トリオ

日時:11月28日(火) 時間:7:00PM~ 場所:南大沢文化会館

入場料:無料

問い合わせ先:0426(70)7715 南大沢音楽協会ソレイユ音楽事務所

#### 日本の響来、21世紀へ

筝、三絃、胡弓による演奏

日時:12月10日(日) 場所: いちょうホール 入場料:1.000円

筝曲翠の会 (吉田)

0426 (62) 8300

問い合わせ先:

#### 狂言の世界

日時:2001年1月21日(日)

時間:2時開演 場所:いちょうホール 入場料:5000円(SS席)

4000円(S席)、3000円(A席) 問い合わせ:0426(21)3005

Why the name "Volcano"?

Volcano means "kazan" in Japanese. The reason why we chose the name "Volcano" for our newsletter lis because we believe people's

opinions, ideas, and feelings should not lie "dormant" or become "inactive" like volcanoes. "Magma" exists in everyone and it needs to voluntarily erupt once in a while to soothe one's soul.

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#### Join Us!

- Help gather resources and exchange information with other organizations
- As a Korean, Chinese, Spanish, Japanese, etc., volunteer teacher/ translator/interpreter
- In planning, executing, or assisting with events
- As a computer assistant— Microsoft Windows 95 needed, with Japanese/ English capabilities
- With the publishing and mailing of the newsletter
- Etc., make your own proposal

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