

Celebration of the 70th anniversary and the completion of new plant is held

Welcome address

Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, I am pleased to welcome 300 and more guests here today. According to a Japanese custom, 70 years old has been called "Koki" and has been celebrated as one of happy punctuation marks in his or her life.

Today, we celebrate both our company's 70th anniversary and the completion of new plant, both which are owing to a great support by today's all attendants. We express a great thanks for it.

At this new plant we are going to use natural gas taking place of conventional fuel oil, by which we think we can reduce the 25% of carbon dioxide emission, and at the same time, we are going to produce the highest quality alloy through the newest facilities

Today, keeping environment and saving resources are greatest task for us, and we would like to contribute more and more for the world as an excellent aluminum recycler with the all efforts of our staff.

We wish we will be prosperous together with all of you, customers, suppliers and all concerns in the future. Thank you very much.

Takashi Amano, President

Congratulatory message

Since the establishment of company, the first President Hanzo Amano's spirit, social contribution-ism, has been handed down until today continuously and brilliantly. At the same time, I believe this great success has been owing to the distinguished leadership of successive Presidents and the great efforts of superior and industrious staff.

Nishio City and I are pleased at this great success and the excellent development of Asuka Industries, Inc.

May you keep continuous growth as one of the representative companies in Nishio City through the aluminum recycling business activity in the future.

Yasumasa Sakakibara, Mayor of Nishi City

Congratulatory message

Congratulations on the 70th anniversary and the completion of new plant. Since aluminum recycling business started in 1957, Asuka Industries, Inc. has built up an excellent leading position in the aluminum world during a half century.

I do honor this great progress brought by both the big leadership of successive Presidents and the good work of all staff. Especially, President Takashi Amano has a rich overseas experience, and moreover has an attitude to make up an affectionate company by local people. We would like to learn such a splendid action by his initiating.

Being a steady supplier of important base metal for our main industry, automobile parts suppliers, please make the greatest efforts for economic development in Nishio City in the future.

Katsuhisa Tsuzuki, Chairman of Nishio Chamber of Commerce & Industry

In the morning on March 24 at our new plant, the ceremony to celebrate the completion of new plant was held very solemnly according to Shinto rites, where the Shinto priest and all of us appreciated the safety during overall constructions, and invoked our safe operation and prosperity in the future.

After a grave ceremony, our all new facilities and buildings were opened for many guests, and the grand celebration of the 70th anniversary and the completion of new plant was held very lively.

At first, President Takashi Amano made a welcome speech, and then two distinguished guests: Mr. Yasumasa Sakakibara, Mayor of Nishi City, and Mr. Katsuhisa Tsuzuki, Chairman of Nishio Chamber of Commerce & Industry, addressed congratulatory messages.

After the speeches, Mr. Harvey Rosen, Vice President of Alpert & Alpert Iron and Metal, Inc. Los Angeles U.S.A., led a toast "Kanpai" in lively Japanese, and then a big reception was opened.

In front of guests, various cookings were demonstrated: green tea service, baking shell, squid and eel, and other some kinds of traditional Japanese dishes, every which attracted lined guests.

All guests enjoyed the splendid banquet thoroughly, and at last it was concluded successfully with three cheers by Mr. Seisuke Matsuo, Chairman of Central Japan Diecasters Cooperative Association.

After the reception, Mr. Harvey Rosen planted a memorial young tree near our front gate of new plant, which will be a very good remembrance for all of us.

At last, we here show the distinguished guests with our heartfelt thanks.

Mr. Yasumasa Sakakibara, Mayor of Nishio City. Mr. Manichiro Kawakami, Mr. Masatoshi Inagaki and Mr. Kiyoji Asai, Members of Aichi Prefectural Assembly. Mr. Katsuhisa Tsuzuki, Chairman of Nishio Chamber of Commerce & Industry. Mr. Shikio Ninomi, Chairman of Nishio City Assembly. Mr. Toshiaki Kobayashi, Mr. Masaaki Inagaki and Mr. Toru Suzuki, Members of Nishio City Assembly. Mr. Kazuo Onoda, Mr. Tokihiko Saito and Mr. Hirotaka Tani, City Officers. Mr. Shigenori Shimamura, Master of Fire Station. Mr. Koji Miyagawa, Chairman of Tokyo University of Science Businessmen Club.

<Photos> Page 1 and page2 below are President Takashi Amano's address. The top on page 2 is Mr. Yasumasa Sakakibara, Mayor of Nishio City. The middle on page 2 is Shinto rites ceremony of completion. The top on page 3 is Mr. Katsuhisa Tsuzuki, Chairman of Nishio Chamber of Commerce & Industry, the center is Mr. Rosen's kanpai and the below is generous party. Page 4 is Mr. Rosen and memorial plantation.

Company news

A new graduate joined us on March 20. She is Miss Minami Nakane, who wants everyone's warm guidance and support. Photo on page 4 shows Miss Minami Nakane

We were very much afraid the reception would go on uneventfully. Conventionally, our parties had been held at big hotel's banqueting halls, but everyone could satisfy.

We received a delightful number of congratulatory messages and memorials. Thank you ever so much.