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From the Editor

This year has seen an unusually warm spring. As a result, the blooming season for the cherry blossoms was a lot earlier than normal. Hopefully you were still able to catch sight of some beautiful blossoms or maybe even enjoyed a hanami (cherry blossom viewing) with friends before the petals disappeared. There are many great spots to view the famous blossoms in Iwaki such as Matsugaoka Park, Ogawa Suwa Shrine and along the Shin and Yada rivers.

I am quite fortunate to be the editor of Iwaki Vision at Iwaki City Hall as it means I can pass by the cherry blossoms along the nearby river on my daily commute. I can also view the pink flowers of the park in front of Alios from the 5th floor where our office is.

By the time of publishing this edition, the blooming period will have well ended for this year. However, you may want to plan a visit to the city hall or Alios so you can also enjoy a hanami at the park or by the river next April!

- Ben



The cherry blossoms of Taira Central Park viewed from the 5th floor of Iwaki City Hall

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