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***** LETTER FROM THE EDITOR*****

Welcome to the thirteenth issue of Safe Community Weekly News in 2004, the electronic Safe Community Weekly News is edited by the Norwegian Safety Promotion Centre- a WHO CC Affiliated Safe Community Support Centre on behalf of Safe Communities Network.

WHAT IS NEW AT SAFE COMMUNITIES?

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**Collaboration on Community Based Actions for Safety Promotion in Europe
Sustaining the European Safe Community Network and Eurosafe**



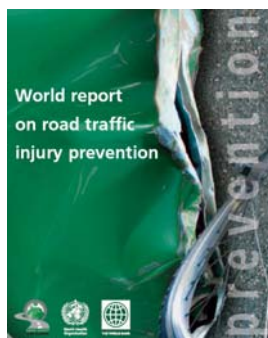
A meeting took place at the Consumer Safety Institute, Amsterdam on March 26th, 2004 and was attended by Dr. Wim Rogmans director of Consumer Safety Institute, Netherlands, Dr. Rupert Kisser director of the Austrian Institute for Home and Leisuretime and Yousif Rahim coordinator of the Norwegian Safety Promotion Centre / chairman of the European Safe Community Network. The purpose of this meeting was to: discuss the issues related to the Safety Promotion in Europe and having a join effort to apply for projects through EU Programme of Community Action in the field of Public Health.

A meeting resulted in a common agreement on various issues related to supporting the Safety promotion initiatives in all levels and sustaining the European Safe Community Network to achieve the goals for creating more safe communities in Europe. The group has agreed on priorities and activities for future collaboration.

The process of collaboration and future actions will be presented at the 13th International Safe Community Conference in Prague- Czech Republic and 7th World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion in Vienna, Austria.

World Health Day

World Health Report on road traffic injury prevention



The World Health Organization and the World Bank have jointly produced this World report on road traffic injury prevention. Its purpose is to present a comprehensive overview of what is known about the magnitude, risk factors and impact of road traffic injuries, and about ways to prevent and lessen the impact of road crashes.

The document is the outcome of a collaborative effort by institutions and individuals. Over 100 experts, from all continents and different sectors – including transport, engineering, health, police, education and civil society – have worked to produce the report.

It will be fully downloadable from the World Health Day website <http://www.who.int/world-health-day/2004/en/> in English and French on the 7th April. Summaries in Arabic, Chinese, Spanish, Russian, English and French will also be available on this site on the 7th.

The people can also order it directly from WHO. There are special rates for those from developing countries. During the coming months we will also have the full document available in Arabic, Chinese, Spanish and Russian.

Order online: <http://bookorders.who.int>

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7th Australian Injury Prevention Conference
2nd Pacific Rim Safe Communities Conference
15 – 17 September 2004. Mackay, Quesland, Australia

For more information, please visit the conference website
<http://www.aipn.com.au/conference2004.htm>

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7th SYMPOSIUM WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION
PREVENTION OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS ON ROADS
2004

October, 14th and 15th 2004.
Novi Sad, Serbia and Montenegro

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

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Home Accident Surveillance System (HASS) and Leisure Accident Surveillance System (LASS)

The *2000-2002 Home and Leisure Accident Surveillance System report shows that changing fashions and the latest crazes lead to more accidents*. Statistics revealed 12,300 people falling on wood floors in 2002. Five years earlier the figure was only 2,900. Many of these accidents involved slipping when walking about at home barefoot or wearing socks. Falls on carpets also increased from 55,000 to 70,000. Copies of the report can be ordered from <http://www.dti.gov.uk/ccp/topics1/safety.htm#hass>

HASS and LASS are two linked databases holding details of accidents that caused a serious enough injury to warrant a visit to a hospital. The data was collected in 16-18 UK hospitals.

In May 2003, ministers announced that the DTI would no longer fund the collection and publication of HASS and LASS data. This has, therefore, stopped with the publication of the 24th Report. Copies of the reports can still be ordered below.

The DTI has also ended its enquiry service based on the HASS/LASS database. The database has been transferred to RoSPA and all enquiries about HASS and LASS statistics should be addressed to RoSPA at:

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