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

Welcome to the nineteenth 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?

In this issue:

DESIGNATION: Motala Safe Community, Sweden.

SITE VISIT: Qingnian Park Community, China

COURSE: Injury Surveillance, atool for Safety Promotion, Shandong University, China

KEY NOTE SPEAKERS: 13th International Conference on Safe Communities

MEETING: European Safe Community Network, 3rd June 2004. Prague, Czech Republic

CONFERENCE: Sattelite conferences and meetings, 7th World Conference on IP&SP

Re-designation

Motala Safe Community, Sweden.



Safe community agreement signed by Johan Andersson, Chairman of executive committee, Motala municipality, Yousif Rahim representing WHO CC, Mona Pütsep, director, Swedish Safety Promotion Program and Anna-Lena Sörenson, Chairman of Health and Medical Committee, County Council.

On 10th of May 2004 in the nice ceremony at the Municipality house in Motala, the re-designated program for Motala as a Safe Community started.

Motala was first designated as a Safe Community in 1990. Motala was the 4th designated WHO Safe Community. Under the re-designation ceremony, different aspects of safe community program and network at all levels local, national and international presented.



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Motala
municipality



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Swedish Rescue
Services



Robert Ekman
Swedish Rescue
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Johan Andersson
Motala
municipality



Anna-Lena Sörenson
County



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Will Qingnian Park Community be the first Safe Community to be designated in mainland China?

On the request of the Mayor of Jinan and the District Director of Huaiyin District a site visit was made by Lars-Gunnar Hörte-Injury epidemiologist, and Leif Svanström, Director of the WHO CC on Community Safety Promotion in **Qingnian Park Community** on the 12th May 2004.

A formal application was handed over now to be screened and valued together with the findings from the site visit. Plans are started on the timetable to a designation.



Increasing Traffic problems



Site visitor Lars-Gunnar Hörte inspecting fire extinguishing material



Two target group representatives: The children & the elderly



Vulnerable groups; From a community rehab centre; The event well guarded by journalists.

Rapporteur: Leif Svanström

24 students in China are studying Injury Surveillance as a tool for Safety Promotion



The study Group in front of School of Public Health, Shandong University, China



Lars-Gunnar Hörte guiding one of his students in Jinan

During the last two months students at the School of Public Health at Shandong University in Jinan, China has followed the internet-based Course on Injury Surveillance led by Lars-Gunnar Hörte, Injury Epidemiologist and Leif Svanström, professor at the Karolinska Institutet in Stockholm, Sweden. One week of the training is organised in Jinan, where the students are trained both in the theoretical and practical parts of coding and registration of injuries. The training includes writing a paper on the methodological issues of injury surveillance and the implications for safety promotion.

For more information about Injury Surveillance Course – internet-based contact:

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Key Note Speakers

13th International Safe Community Conference, Prague 2-4 June 2004



Dr. Etienne Krug, MD, MPH

Dr Krug was appointed Director of the Department for Injuries and Violence Prevention at the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland in October 2000. He has co-ordinated the development of WHO's first World Report on Violence and Health published in 2002 and preparations for World Health Day 2004, dedicated to Road Safety. He also chairs the International Organizing Committee for World Conferences on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion.

Before joining WHO he worked in the Division of Violence Prevention at the CDC in Atlanta; in Mozambique, El Salvador and Nicaragua for Médecins sans Frontières; as Health and Nutrition Coordinator for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees during the Rwandan genocide; and as Human Rights Observer in Haiti.

Dr Krug holds a degree of Medical Doctor from the University of Louvain in Brussels, Belgium and a Masters Degree in Public Health from Harvard University.



Marcia Rom, JD, is the Projects Director for the Alaska Injury Prevention Center.

She is involved in an Alaska Suicide Follow-Back Study, Teen Driving Initiatives and is coordinator for the Anchorage Child Abuse Prevention Network.

She is especially interested in analyzing the impacts of media on youth and learning how to utilize marketing techniques to promote positive attitude and behavior change. She is also an attorney and uses her legal background to look at legislative initiatives and regulations and their impact on injury prevention as well as ethical and legal issues in research.



Professor Leif Svanström

Leif Svanström, Head of the World Health Organisation Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion.

He have spent my professional work, almost 40 years, with Public Health Sciences - research as well as practice in prevention.

The last 23 years have served as a professor in Social Medicine at the Karolinska Institutet , which is a Health University in Stockholm.

He is active in almost everything that has to do with Public Health research -as well as training. But the focus is on Safety promotion and Injury prevention.



Professor Dinesh Mohan

Dinesh Mohan is Henry Ford Professor for Biomechanics and Transportation Safety and Co-ordinator of the Transportation Research and Injury Prevention Programme at the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi. He has co-authored and edited three books on safety.

He is the recipient of: the APHA International Distinguished Career Award, the Association for Advancement of Automotive Medicine's 1991 Award of Merit and the 1991 International Association for Accident & Traffic Medicine's International Award and Medal for outstanding achievement in traffic safety.

European Safe Community Network meeting

June 3, 2004. Prague, Czech Republic

The purpose of the meeting is to review the activities, developments and sustaining the Safe Community movement in Europe:

The meeting will provide an opportunity to know each other, exchange information, ideas and opinions on a wide variety of topics related to Safe Community.

Who:

The meetings are free to attend and open to any interested person in the field of Injury Prevention, Safety Promotion and other related areas.

When:

Thursday 3rd June 2004.
17.00 – 19.00

Where:

The National House in Smichov, Prague, Czech Republic

Agenda:

- Introduction to the European safe Community Network
- Presentation of the Safe Community developments in Europe
- Status and future work
- Task forces: action groups, bulletin, websites and agenda for activities and participation in the forthcoming Safe Community activities.

Participation

We would like to Know about your participation. If you would like to participate in this meeting, we would appreciate if you send us an email to: rahim@norsafety.no

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We're looking forward to seeing you all!

7th World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion

SATELLITE CONFERENCES AND WORKING MEETINGS

CAPACITY BUILDING FOR INJURY PREVENTION: WHO'S TEACH-VIP CURRICULUM - WORKING MEETING

Date: Monday, June 7, 2004
Time: 17.30 to 19.30
Location: Austria Center Vienna

Organiser: WHO Injuries and Violence Prevention.
Contact: David Meddings
E-Mail: meddingsd@who.int

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INJURY PREVENTION INITIATIVE FOR AFRICA (IPIFA) - WORKING MEETING

Date: Monday, June 7, 2004
Time: 17.30 to 19.30
Location: Austria Center Vienna

Organiser: IPIFA.
Contact: Ronald Lett / E-Mail: lettenis@yahoo.com or
Wilson Odera E-Mail: iphmu@African.co.ke

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PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION - WORKING MEETING

Date: Monday, June 7, 2004
Time: 17.30 to 19.30
Location: Austria Center Vienna

Organiser: Pan American Health Organization.
Contact: Alberto Concha-Eastman
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SAFE KIDS WORLDWIDE – INFORMATION MEETING

Date: Monday, June 7, 2004
Time: 17.30 to 19.30
Location: Austria Center Vienna

Objectives: This meeting is open to all conference participants in order to introduce SAFE KIDS Worldwide and to give the chance of networking with SAFE KIDS Worldwide members.

Organiser: SAFE KIDS Worldwide.
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