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

Welcome to the fourth issue of Safe Community Weekly News in 2006, the electronic Safe Community Weekly News is edited by the European Safe Community Network, International Safe Community Support Team and the WHO CC on Community Safety Promotion on behalf of Safe Communities Network.

WHAT IS NEW AT SAFE COMMUNITIES?

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AWARD: The Royal Children's Hospital Safety Centre, Melbourne, Australia

CONFERENCE: 3rd International Safe Schools Conference April 9, 2006 Cape Town

CONFERENCE: 15th International Safe Communities Conference, Cape Town, South Africa

CONFERENCE: 1st European Conference on Injury Prevention & Safety Promotion

**Second PhD Course on Safety Promotion/ Injury Prevention Research
&
3rd Evaluation Course for Degree of Master in Safety Promotion**



Greetings from Stockholm-cold and dark. Time to study Safety Promotion Evaluation/Research. 16 students at PhD level and 16 at Masters level- for five productive weeks.

Under leadership of Professors Joaquim Soares & Leif Svanström; Drs Eija Viitasara, Stephen Lawoko and Reza Mohammadi. Course Coordinator Moa Sundström

Opening Ceremony of Taiwanese Community Safety Promotion Center (TCSPC)

The promotion of Safe Community program has been successfully implemented in Taiwan. In order to sustain the program in the designated communities and share the experience with other communities to develop Safe Community program based on indicators as published by the World Health Organisation (WHO) Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion, Karolinska Institutet, Sweden. , Taiwanese Community Safety Promotion Center was established on 19th Jan. 2006.



L to R: Lu Pa, Director of TCSPC, Fu Li-Yeh, Committee Member in the Executive Yuan, Hsiu-hung Wang, Deputy Minister, Department of Health, Shioh-Ing Wu, Vice Director General, Bureau of Health Promotion.



Group picture: participants from main persons four WHO Safe Communities, government officials and leaders of new communities.

Participants included leaders of four WHO Safe Communities, government officials and leaders of new communities. TCSPC is a main center which serves as an integrated center, partnering with national and overseas agencies to improve community safety, providing training, information and resources of community-based safety promotion and injury prevention strategies; supporting the evaluation of Taiwanese Safe Communities at local, regional and national levels and hosting national and international activities.

Four subordinate regional supporting centers (North, Central, South and East) will be established soon and responsible for raising the awareness of Safety of Taiwanese people so as to reduce the occurrence of injury at local and regional levels.

Dr. Lu Pai, Associate Professor of National Defense Medical Center and Chair of Taiwanese Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion Association (TIPSPA), will serve as the Director with overall responsibility for the management and operation of the TCSPC. Mr. Shing-Shu Huang, Secretary General of TIPSPA, is appointed as Chief Coordinator and Ms. Ling-Ling Chang as Coordinator of TCSPC. Both of Coordinators will account for carrying out the management of operational functions.

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SAFETY CENTRE ACHIEVEMENTS ACKNOWLEDGED



Safety Centre staff (left to right) Mary Beech, Helen Rowan and Barbara Minuzzo.

Photo: Alvin from ERC

The City of Melbourne has presented The Royal Children's Hospital Safety Centre with an award for its work in injury prevention and safety promotion. The Safety Centre's contribution to the safety of the City of Melbourne was acknowledged at the Lord Mayor's City Safety Award 2005 ceremony recently.

The Safety Centre is accredited by the World Health Organisation Collaboration Centre (WHO CC) as one of two Safe Community Support Centres in Australia.

In 2000 the City of Melbourne was accredited as a Safe Community. During 2004-2005 the City of Melbourne successfully applied for three of the Safety Centre's Community Safety Education Kits. These comprehensive Education Kits enable a community resource centre to establish a "safety satellite centre" to support parents and carers in their efforts to reduce the frequency and severity of injuries to children.

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ABSTRACT ACCEPTANCE DATE EXTENDED

Building the Networks WHO Safe Communities and International Safe Schools: International and National Perspectives Conference & AFFILIATE CENTRE Designation Dinner March 6-7, 2006 Tucson, AZ USA.

Abstracts acceptance extended to February 4, 2006. Come join your colleagues in warm and sunny Tucson Arizona USA for a conference focused on School and Community Injury Prevention and help celebrate the designation of the latest Affiliate Center to the World Health Organization Collaborating Centre on Community Safety. For more information visit <http://www.intlsafeschools.com/>

3rd International Safe Schools Conference April 9, 2006 Cape Town South Africa

Our annual conference on International Safe Schools is taking place at the Red Cross Children's Hospital in Cape Town South Africa on April 9, 2006. Placed between the traveling seminar and the 15th International Safe Communities Conference in Cape Town, the Conference will easily fit your schedule. Focused on bringing together Educators, Public Health and all other sectors concerned with community based safety for and with schools and their populations. Conference Chair is Annette Holmberg of the Swedish Rescue Service (Annette.holmberg@srv.se) and Conference Secretary is Max Vosskuhler (mlv@intlsafeschools.org) Abstracts are being accepted through 16 February 2006. We look forward to seeing you at the Conference. Remember that Safe Schools is a Main theme of the 15th International Conference on WHO Safe Communities, as well.

For more information and to register, please e-mail either the Chair, or Secretary, or visit <http://www.intlsafeschools.com>

15th International Safe Communities Conference – CAPE TOWN – South Africa
09-11 April 2006, Cape Town, South Africa



<http://www.uct-cmc.co.za/conferences/2006/safecom/info.php>

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1st European Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion

Challenges and Solutions for a Safer Europe
June 25-27, 2006
Marriott Hotel, Vienna, Austria

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