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

Welcome to the sixteenth issue of Safe Community Weekly News in 2005, the electronic Safe Community Weekly News is edited by the European Safe Community Network and the WHO CC on Community Safety Promotion on behalf of Safe Communities Network.

WHAT IS NEW AT SAFE COMMUNITIES?

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DESIGNATION: Konjic, Bosnia & Herzegovina designated as Safe Community.

SITE VISIT: site visit to four Safe Community Programs in Taiwan.

COURSE: Ph.D. Course on Research in Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion

PROGRAM: Safety Promotion activities in Youth Park community, Jinan , China.

Konjic, Bosnia & Herzegovina designated as Safe Community number 86!



Professor Smajkic, Dr Rudic, Mayor Bubalo and Dr Svanström signing the agreement.



The Mayor with the Safe Comm flag.

In a ceremony in the town Hall of Konjic Municipality in Bosnia & Herzegovina on August 30, 2005 Mayor Emir Bubalo, Dr Aida Rudic and Professor Arif Smajkic signed the agreement with Professor Leif Svanström from the WHO Collaborating Centre.

Konjic started its safe comm program very early- already in 1986 - but was interrupted during the Wars on Balcan in the 1990s. Actually the 2nd Intl Safe Comm Conference was planned to be held there in 1992 but of course had to be cancelled. Now we are more than happy to welcome Konjic into the family of designated communities. More information on the program You will find on the homepage www.phs.ki.se/csp



The audience at the town Hall of Konjic in Bosnia Herzegovina.



The inter- sectoral group that has worked to develop the safe comm program in Konjic.

Site visit to four Safe community programs in Taiwan

The accreditation Site Visit to four communities in Taiwan was undertaken during late April 2005. The site visit carried by Mr. Henk Harberts, chairman for the Australian Safe Communities Foundation. The Taiwan group which includes leadership and support from Associate Professor Lui Pai and the Taiwan Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion Association are also planning the 3rd Asian Regional 'Safe Communities' Conference to be held in 19-22 October 2005.



This is the Team at Fongbin - a feature being the safety of wilderness /whitewater rafting..



The local team of safety promoters at Fongbin, Taiwan



Alishan Community - strongly focuses on local and tourism safety initiatives - pictured are the supporters at the site visit...



Alishan rescue staff member demonstrates the new lifesaving devices located along the river bank



the big group of safe community supporters at Dungshr Community in Taiwan



Police Bike Patrol in Dungshr - highlighting a strong partnership between Police and Community



Some of the home safety volunteers, staff and local resident in Neihu and Henk Harberts (chairman, Australian Safe Communities Foundation)



Site visit to safe public spaces in Neihu - a strong focus on school, public space, retail, playground and home safety issues.

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2nd International Course - A Ph.D. Course Research in Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion 23 January - 24 February 2006 Stockholm, Sweden

Application deadline: **1 October 2005**

Course information

www.phs.ki.se/csp/pdf/Courses%202005%202006/Research_in_Injury_Prevention_&_Safety_Promotion_2006%20PhD%20Course.pdf

Application form

www.phs.ki.se/csp/pdf/Courses%202005%202006/Application_form_PhD_Course_Safety_Promotion_2006.pdf

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Note! Scholarships

The Karolinska Institutet has no scholarships to offer.

We advice you to contact: http://www.phs.ki.se/csp/who_scholarships_en.htm

Safety promotion activities in Youth Park, Jinan, China



On August 6, 2005, when the weather forecast said that the typhoon called "maisha" would load the city of Jinan in the near future, the Promoting Committee on Safe Community of Youth Park Community called on all the workers and residents to act immediately preventing the typhoon from causing injuries.

The committee took some measures for the problem:

Firstly, we instructed some residents who have lower living conditions in studying the ways of dealing with the natural disaster.

Secondly, we checked the places carefully where have some underlying dangers and settled the problems in time.

Thirdly, we also opened a hot-line. If there were some difficulties for any people, they can dial the number 87922374 and the committee will take measures in time to settle the problems.

Although the typhoon did not happen, the measures we have taken are not useless. The residents' safe awareness has been promoted.

On August 8, 2005, the Youth Park Sub-district Office carried out an activity together with the Traffic Police Team of Huaiyin District. The topic of the activity was "Propagating Knowledge on Traffic Safety at Homes". We had organized a special team which included 6 officers from the Youth Park Sub-district Office, 5 traffic policemen and 7 volunteers from the residents.

In the course of the activity, the members of the team visited many residents' home to give out handbooks of traffic laws and regulations and materials of safe knowledge. They also played disc of "Typical Cases of Traffic Accidents all over the Country" at homes of taxi drivers. And their neighbours also came to see the shows. They absorbed lessons from the traffic tragedies and announced that they will pay more attention to traffic safety. The team planned to propagate the knowledge to all the residents of the community.

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