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

Welcome to the twenty-seventh issue of Safe Community Weekly News, the electronic Safe Community Weekly News will be send from Harstad - Norway on behalf of Safe Communities Network.

### WHAT IS NEW AT SAFE COMMUNITIES?

In this issue:

- **VISIT: Harstad Safe Community visited Tartu, Estonia**
- **COURSE: Advanced Nordic Baltic Course on safety Promotion and Injury Prevention Research. Estonia**
- **SEMINAR: Regional Seminar on Community safety Promotion, Mauritius**
- **CONFERENCE: Nordic Conference "Active and Safe", Klepp, Norway**

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#### Harstad Safe Community visited Tartu.

On Friday, 16 August, the delegation from Harstad safe Community Project visited the Tartu City in Estonia. A special meeting took place at the Municipality building, 10 people attended the meeting including Vice Mayor of Tartu, head of health department, Tartu police officers, and representatives from university of Tartu. From Harstad Safe Community project leader Yousif Rahim, Oddvar Bremseth and Johan Petter Bjørnnes, coordinators of prevention activities at Harstad police station were present in the meeting.



At this meeting we were offered the opportunity to present Safe Community Concept, indicators for being a safe community and our experiences with safe community- and injury prevention activities.

We had the opportunity to visit Tartu Police office and to learn about their Violence/Crime prevention activities, Mr. Peeter Rehema, the project leader for Neighbour Watch presented the project which is a pilot project in Estonia.

We believe the visit was a success in the fact that we raised the importance of being a Safe Community, and to assure our commitment to share information and support the Safe Communities Network.



**Dr. Enno Kross,  
MD. Neurologist from Tartu Safe Community project.**



L: At Tartu Police Officers presenting violence prevention activities  
R: Johan Peter Bjørnnes and Oddvar Bremseth from Harstad police station

## Advanced Nordic – Baltic Course on Safety Promotion and Injury prevention Research 17<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2002, Estonia

Advanced Nordic – Baltic course on Safety Promotion and Injury prevention took place in Toila, Estonia from 17<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2002. Twenty Five students participated in the course from seven countries (Cuba, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway and Sweden),



Group photo, in Narva near the boarder to Russia.

During the course following themes were presented:-

- Philosophical, ethical and geographical aspects of safety.
- Use of data for prevention and analysis
- Importance and economy of safety
- Philosophical aspects and essential injury topics
- Widening the aspects and methods for future research



**Course teachers:**

Shrikant Bangdiwala, University of North Carolina, USA

Taie Kaisek, University of Tartu, Estonia.

Pierre Maurice, Centre de Sante Publique de Quebec & Laval University, Canada

Jurma Saari, Finnish Institute of Occupational Health, Finland

Mohammad Seedat, University of South Africa.

Leif Svanström, Karolinska Institute, Sweden

Anita Villerusa, Medical Academy of Latvia, Latvia

Per-Olof Östergren, Lund University, Sweden



Participants during journal sessions.



L: Course participants visited the Oil-shale Museum.

R: Dr. Pierre Maurice and Dr. Shrikant Bangdiwala wearing safety cloths.



Participants had extra opportunity to learn more during evenings, the extra sessions were for **Salsa** and **Merengue** dance training.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Regional Seminar on Community Safety Promotion, Mauritius.

The seminar was held on the 13&14 August 2002 at the Municipality of Quatre Bornes. Sixty participants including those from the neighbouring islands attended the seminar.

The main purpose of the seminar was to bring together all stakeholders and individuals having an interest in the field of Community Safety Promotion under one umbrella and to work out a plan of action for implementation in the community in a systematic and integrated way.

The seminar was organised in collaboration with the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity & Senior Citizen Welfare and Reform Institutions, the Municipality of Quatre Bornes and the Indian Ocean Commission/ Comité de L'Océan Indien(C.O.I.) The official sponsor was the Food and Allied Industry Limited (F.A.I.L). Other sponsors were the Ministry of Environment, the Ministry of Tourism and Leisure, the Lions Club International – Curepipe and Bike World.

The following topics were discussed:

### Day 1

- Accidents and Injuries in Mauritius – An Overview
- Definition and concept of Community Safety Promotion & application of its principles
- Child Safety

### Day 2

- Safety in the Tourism Sector
- Environmental Hazards and Community Safety
- Road Safety
- Safety at Work
- Drugs, Violence and Community Safety
- Food safety



L: Prof. Leif Svanstrom, Mr. Shakeel Panchoo, Mr.Boopen Doobah, Mr. Ahmad Soogali, Prof. Cyril Dalais.  
R: Mrs.Ariane Oxenham, Mayor of the Municipality of Quatre-Bornes, Dr. C.N. Bissoonauthsing, WHO Liaison Officer, Hon. Samiollah Lauthan, Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity & Senior Citizen Welfare and Reform Institutions, Prof. Leif Svanström, Head, WHO Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion, Karolinska Institute, Sweden, Mr.Wilfried Myrtille, Secretary General, Indian Ocean Commission/Commission de L'Océan Indien (C.O.I.) and Mr. Ahmad Soogali, Secretary, CODEPA.



L: Souvenir photograph of the seminar.

R: Mr. Ahmad Soogali leading participants to sing as a relaxation technique.

## NORDIC CONFERENCE IN KLEPP, NORWAY "Active and Safe" 19 and 20 September 2002

The conference will be arranged in Klepp in relation with designation of Klepp as a WHO Safe community on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2002.

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