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

Welcome to a ninth issue of Safe Community Weekly News, the electronic SC Weekly News will be send from Harstad on behalf of Safe Communities Network.

WHAT IS NEW AT SAFE COMMUNITIES?

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- SITE VISIT: Suwon, Korea.

”Site visit” in Suwon, Korea

The City of Suwon with 0.9 million inhabitants are applying for the Safe Community Network Membership.



The site visit was carried through on 12-13 November by Coordinator Moa Sundström.



From left to right:-
Professor Joon Pil Cho, Ajou University Medical Centre,
Coordinator Moa Sundström, Karolinska Institutet, Sweden,
Director Kim Hye-kyung, Gwonsun Health center, and
President of the City & County Councils Kim Yong-seo



Professor Joon Pil Cho at the Ajou University Medical Centre, Department of Emergency Medicine, one of the initiator of the Safe Community programme in Suwon.

The Traffic is the greatest course of death due to injuries in Suwon, and the focus for the prevention programme was to educate the children.

A traffic park was established for traffic safety education for the children. The education was carried out by mothers who are volunteers.



Suicide is the second highest incidence after traffic injuries in Suwon. A 24-hour telephone service line was provided for prevention of suicides.



Hye Young Kim from Ajou University Research team on the suicide prevention telephone counselling.

An education video has been produced for the purpose to inform the public on the Injury problem. This video is presented for the men attending the compulsory military refresher course every 2nd year, and the female teachers in the elementary schools and pre-school teachers.

A balance training programme for the elderly were given to senior residents at the senior citizens' club houses.



Suwon City is hosting the World Cup June 2002 and at the new constructed Soccer Stadium has safety been put high on the agenda.



Suwon City is hosting the 1st Asian Safe Community Conference 25-27 February 2002 this is the international commitment for Suwon Safe Community programme.

We highly recommend you to take part in an interesting conference and to learn from an Asian culture. You will find the Announcement and registration at <http://www.safesuwon.or.kr>

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