

# Jssp

## Safe Community Network News

By Japanese Society of Safety Promotion

TOPICS Vol.012 1st Feb 2009

1. Kameoka City; Developing Safe Community
2. Japan Association of Citizen Safety 5th National Conference in Toda City
3. Miyako Child Safety Center

**Safe Community Network News**  
Vol.012 1st Feb. 2009  
Japanese Society of Safety Promotion  
Responsible Editor; Naoya Hatta  
E-mail:safetyprom@yahoo.co.jp

### **1 . Kameoka City; Developing Safe Community**

Safety promotion is developing steadily in Kameoka City.

Five self government association; Asahi-Cho, Baji-Town, Chitose-Town, Kawarabayashi-Town, Hozu-Town, have started a movement for their safe life

They have held several meeting to study safe community last year, and then work shop have been holding by residents since October 2008. They have been discussing about what their community should be, and what they should do,

In the work-shop, at first they talk about where and what they feel dangerous. After putting them together as problem they should solve, the countermeasures were worked out. These countermeasures were grouped into each organization who conducts that. And they discussed how to carry out the countermeasure they should conduct themselves, and action plan for developing safe community was made.



Work-Shop

At the same time, a questionnaire survey about suicide was carried out in these five areas. The rate of collecting answer was 75% which was great high rate. Kyoto public mental health center and Kyoto Bunkyo University are analyzing that. We hope that they will make an action plan for prevention of suicide, based on the result of workshop and analyze of the questionnaire survey, and then start original activities for safety promotion speedily.

In Shino-town which started safety promotion as a pilot area in Kameoka, new original activities have been started, and their movement is getting more active rapidly. These activities have started by residents in cooperate with universities, fire station, social welfare association, after designation as safe community. For example, " S-Map Project ", that resident make a map plotted dangerous place in their town. " Shino-town safe watch by 10000 residents ", which strengthen the prevention of crimes. " Safe elderly Network " which support a life of an elderly person living alone, so on. These activities will be shown on this news.



Project "S·MAP"

This movement of residents shows us that designation as safe community is not goal, but it is start. Residents are proud on Safe Community, and keep to develop safer community.

### **2 . Japan Association of Citizen Safety 5<sup>th</sup> National Conference in Toda City**

5<sup>th</sup> Japan Association of Citizen Safety National Conference was held as Toda Citizen's Safety Festival in Toda City Saitama Prefecture on 13th December.2008. This festival titled "Developing safer city that everyone wants to keep living" was held to discuss about developing safe city.

This conference programmed a keynote speech and five sectional meetings, and safe city from various angles was discussed.

# Jssp

## Safe Community Network News

By Japanese Society of Safety Promotion

One theme of five sectional meeting was “Design national standard Safe Community”, Mr. Takao Kuramochi (Atsugi city), Mr. Isamu Yamauchi (Kameoka City), Dr. Yoko Shiraishi(Ritsumeikan University), Mis. Yuko Ishibasi (Atsugi City), Mr. Hiro Maeda(Chie of Tamagawa Denenchohu Patorol) presented their activities for developing safe community. After presentation, discussion involved audience was held.

Voluntary activity for prevention of crime is getting more active with tragic case involved children as a start. And governments tend to support these activities, and voluntary movement in community is spreading wider gradually. However there are some problems such as regional difference in the level of concern, a lack of sustainability, it is just as pointing put at this conference. Moreover it is not enough to prevent injury which happens much more than the crime involved children. We think that it was a valuable to present safe community in this conference, because Safe community is a way to solve these problem pointed out in this conference.

Atsugi City had a important role of having this conference. Atsugi city contribute to spread safe community into surrounding areas with big power, it is not only in Atsugi city. I hope that Atsugi city will spread Safe Community into all over Japan with their great power.



Sectional Meetig



Symposium

### 3 .Miyako Child Safety Center in Kyoto

Miyako Child Safety Center which is next to Kyoto Japan Red Cross Hospital, this center is providing the place parents always talk about child care and leran child injury prevention. There are Child Safety House in the center, it is a model house various scene of child accidents in the house are reproduced. Child Safety Goods counter and simulated experience of child view are also in the center.

When Mis Sachie Komatsu who is a teacher of nurse school came to Kyoto for study of safe community, I showed her the center on last December. So I would like to introduce you about this center.

At first we could talk Prof. Atsushi Sawada (Director of this center) about this center and child injury prevention. As recent child injury trend, an accident an infant swallow tissue is increasing. Tissue is really helpful on various occasion of child care, so a box of tissue is often put beside pillow in the bed. In such case, when infants' wet finger happens to touch the tissue, it cling their finger. If they sucks finger tissue clung, tissue are swallowed and infant choked on tissue unfortunately. A fatal accident by tissue does not seem to happen yet fortunately, but there is high risk of death in the case.

Regarding consultation about child care, Prof. Sawada said medical anxiety account for nearly all. We guess that this is caused by isolation of mother. Most of them don't have person who talk about child care, and don't know how child grow up by themselves. Prof. Sawada insisted that parents should to learn how child grow up, not only how to take care child.

After that we were showed inside center by nurse. In simulated experience of child view, we were surprised at child small view. And then we were guide to “Safe House”, it is very easy to see where child often get injury in the house, because real scene of injury is reproduce. We could find



Simulated experience  
of Child view

# JssP

## Safe Community Network News

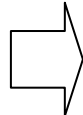
By Japanese Society of Safety Promotion

everything to pay tension, off cause ways to prevent it too. These ways are almost nurses' idea; it is very simple to do that with something we can get easy. So someone can try to do that as soon as going back home. Regarding detail, please look at photo below.

URL: Miyako Child Safety Center: <http://www.anshinkodomokan.jp/>



Living room



Example



Prevent to go up the stairs alone



Dining room

Example



A tablecloth is dangerous when child pull it



Put a electric pot and a rice cooker on height of 63cm and over



Prevention of a burn by touching heater



Bed. Prevent suffocation!



Bath. Prevent to fall in bath!