## **NURDOR**

National Association of Parents of Children with Cancer

### A NEW PARENT'S HOUSE IN BELGRADE!



ON THE 21 OF OCTOBER, SAVSKI VENAC MUNICIPI-ALITY DECIDED TO USE THE TWO APARTMENTS BE-QUEATHED BY MIJODRAG STANOJEVIC AS A PAR-ENT'S HOUSE FOR SHELTERING CHILDREN WITH CANCER AND THEIR PARENTS. THIS BUILDING WILL BE USED FOR TEMPORARY ACCOMODATION UNTIL THE RECONSTRUCTION OF DOCTOR'S TOWER. THE DECISION BECOMES EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY!

WE URGENTLY NEED FURNITURE AND ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES FOR FURNISHING THESE TWO FLATS OF 230 SQUERE METERS WHICH CAN HOUESE 5 FAMILIES AT A TIME. WE SEEK WILLING DONORS TO CONTACT US!

Our recently deceased fellow citizen, Mijodrag Stanojevic, bequeathed in his will two flats (230 square metres, and a garage of 18 square meters) in Colak Antina 16 Street, in Senjak, Savski Venac municipality, requesting that these two have to be used as charity.

Due to this, Savski Venac municipality decided to use the money after selling this above mentioned property and invest in Doctor's Tower reconstruction. This building will be adapted into a Parent's house for temporary housing children with cancer and their parents during medical treatment in Belgrade.

## NURDOR INTRODUCED ITSELF WITH FOUR NEW PUBLICATIONS AT THIS YEAR'S BOOK-FAIR

For the first time upon being founded, owing to a kind invitation of Belgrade's Bookfair organizer, NURDOR had a chance to present itself to a wider reader's audience of this years Bookfair visitors. Those interested could find over 15 different guides and brochures written for parents of children with cancer on our stand . Together with three new publications: 'Preparing your child for staying in Hospital', 'Superheroes', 'Nutrition Guide' all being a result of a project called - 'It's time for a cup of conversation', the visitors could get familiar with our young Martina Malesev's first book -'Do you know what's the best thing in the world?'

Priprema deteta za boravak u bolnici







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#### **Important Information**

- Every day a child is diagnosed with cancer in Serbia
- Every week one child dies from cancer in Serbia
- Over 400 children are cured annually from cancer in Serbia
- Luckily, the percent cured is high, with 60% successful cured
- The most common malignant illness in children is acute leukemia, where the percent cured is the highest, and therapy lasts 105 weeks.



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### SCHOOL IN HOSPITALS

### NURDOR took initiative to resolve schooling issues of seriously ill children

To NURDOR's initiative, a meeting with Zelimir Popov, the assistant of education and science minister, and Bogdan Lazarevic from preschool and elementary school education and upbringing sector, was held. The meeting discussed the problem of education of children with cancer and other seriously ill children who due to their illness are forced to be hospitalized for a long time. Possible means and solutions of this great social problem were also discussed.

We are free to state that we have encountered great understanding and support of those responsible in the Ministry for education and science. The very first dialog was constructive and the first steps in resolving this problem were agreed upon immediately.

Immediately after the meeting, the minister's assistant, Zelimir Popov obliged to proceed solving this burning problem in Nis, where there is no schooling in hospital at all, and in Novi Sad, where there is only schooling for children up to fourth grade elementary school.



The idea was to enable the complete schooling of the children who need elementary education as soon as possible, starting already in this current term.

For secondary school children, due to the variety in the educational programme, certain time is needed to discuss all options and find adequate solution for setting minimum general schooling for everyone that can enable these children a less painful come back to schools and further resocialization.

## **CLOWN DOCTORS - THE DEAREST BIRTHDAY GUESTS**



Throughout the Parent's house in Bezanijska kosa, that September afternoon, there was loud laughter of children, our volunteers and Clown Doctors, who all decided to forget that they are adults in celebrating Milos's birthday.

Noddy and his car birthday cake was given to Milos by Jelena from CreamDreamCakes. With songs, laughter and play we wished our birthday friend all the best and a short return home!



## ALEKSANDAR CAN PROCEED MEDICAL TREATMENT BY MABTHERA

By virtue of Austroline company and good willing individuals who immediately answered NURDOR's call to help Aleksandar and his family to raise money for a medicine required for proceeding medical treatment, we managed to provide the necessary medi-



cine dosage for the first therapy in a very short time. Over 7,500 euros was needed for the complete therapy when to our appeal Roche company, the medicine's importer and our proven friend, informed that they wish to donate the whole dosage. We join Aca's family in being eternally grateful to Roche, Austroline, the



town of Pozarevac and its high and elementary schools and everybody who helped Aca to continue his medical treatment.

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## ANOTHER CHILDREN'S FAIR BEHIND US







For the second time this year, Nurdor accepted the kind invitation of Children's fair organizers welcoming numerous small visitors of the seventh Campina Children's fair from the 14th to 16th of October. With the help of our volunteers, especially Jelena



who relentlessly painted children's faces and our friends from 'Majdaonice', the visitors enjoyed the imaginative creations. During these three days, our great volunteers helped by Wiener Städtische volunteers, gathered dozens of lovely drawings of houses and 29,420 dinars for the project 'Parent's house- Doctor's tower'.



## GRAZIA SHOPPING NIGHT AND NURDOR AGAIN IN ACTION



This autumn too, owing to Atica Media, we were guests at Grazia Shopping Night. During the evening, our volunteers, in a loud lively atmosphere of Knez Mihajlova street, gave away Grazia handbags and invited their fellow citizens to help the Parent's house project 'Doctor's tower'.

71,863 dinars was raised with the help of our volunteers' zest and good hearted ladies. Thank you everybody!



## "SHOW A BIT THAT YOU CARE"

'Show a bit that you care', a group of young enthusiasts willing to 'give it a go and move things a bit' participated in Child's Week manifestation, though rather inexperienced but optimistic group of students, and managed to raise 90,000 dinars which will be used providing bed-clothes for our new Parent's house in



Senjak.

With the donation in bedclothes of a Belgrade firm, they helped the wards at all five clinics where children with cancer are cured.

Dear friends, thank you for that, and regards to upcoming gatherings!

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# "KONZILIJUM" OFFERED TO TRANSPORT OUR CHILDREN FROM PARENT'S HOUSE TO THEIR HOSPITALS

We are grateful to lovely people from Laboratory diagnostics 'Konzilijum' who kindly offered to drive the children from our Bezanijska kosa Parent's house for regular daily therapies at University Children's Clinic and Serbia's Oncology and Radiology Research Centre.



### GIVE NATURE AND NURDOR A HAND



Due to International fair of Environment Preservation, held from the 12th to 14th of October, our friends from 'BIS Recycle Center' and 'Homecenter' set a container for disposing electronic and electric waste. For each kilo of piled waste, 'BiS Recycle Center' will pay 10 dinars to NURDOR's account. The container is placed near 'HOMECENTER' at Bulevar Vojvoda Misic 12, right on the right side entrance to the Fair building (car entrance). You can bring old fridges, washing machines, radio transistors, television sets, air conditioners, kitchen gadgets (mixers, toasters, whiskers, juice extractors...), complete computer equipment (monitors, keypads, mousse, scanners, fax machines, photocopy machines), cables, mobile phones, remote controllers, battery chargers, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, all types of bulbs... EVERYTHING, but EVERYTHING that was powered by electricity or batteries, even toys, Sega's and other games.

YOU CAN BE HUMANE - GIVE NATURE AND NURDOR A HAND - JOIN THE ACTION!

### PRESENTS FOR FIRST GRADE PUPILS – TROPIC TRADE

Our friends from Tropic Trade and Gordana have once again had a surprize for our little fellows. This time they made our first grade pupils happy with gift boxes for their first day at school. In that way, this September too, pink pencil boxes, hearts decorated notebooks, cool pencil boxes for boys, sketchbooks, watercolours, colour pencils and much more brightened up the first school days of children who learn their first letters at hemooncology wards. We are thankful to Tropic Trade and we join their first day at best school wishes.!



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NURDOR's bank account, where you can send your donations at Unicredit Bank, is 170003001071500082.

These children are small but brave, and you be big and ready to help them.

Do not forget that their life depends on the maturity of our adults.

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