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GOAL 2010 - \$15,000

***IMAS will deliver more
EKG machines this year
to Cres and Losinj as soon
as your donations make it
possible.***

***Other requests are being
reviewed by our Board
and may also be donated
when possible.***

From our President

Dear Friends,

Another year has passed since our last newsletter. In the past year, IMAS was busy finalizing deliveries from the 2009 goal. All of the equipment requested has been delivered to our beautiful islands. We have begun to raise funds for new equipment needed. IMAS is communicating with Dr. Branko Lakner and we have received new requests for "Dom Zdravlja in ML", Cres and the local" ambulatas".

We are counting on your support of our Annual Appeal. Your donations during these uncertain economic times are greatly appreciated.

Please save the date for our next Dinner Dance on May 1, 2010, hope to see you.

I thank you in advance.

Rose Maracic
I.M.A.S. President

2008 - 2009 GOAL ACCOMPLISHED

Enhanced DIALYSIS Module (ML) DELIVERED JULY 2008

Local Anesthesia Machine IVRA for Emergency Arm & Leg Surgery (ML) DELIVERED FEBRUARY 2009

Fetus Vitals Monitor CTG for Emergency Transport or Delivery (ML) DELIVERED APRIL 2009

“Oxylog” Portable Respirator for Emergency Unit (ML) DELIVERED APRIL 2009

Three Channel EKG for Emergency Unit (ML), (Cres) DELIVERED JUNE 2009

“Spirometer” to measure Lung Capacity in Emergency Unit (ML) DELIVERED JUNE 2009

Electrolyte Analyzer “Bayer” for Blood & Urine (Cres) DELIVERED APRIL 2009

Weight kg Scale by “Detecto” (Cres) DELIVERED APRIL 2009

Digital Scale (Cres) DELIVERED APRIL 2009

Wheelchair; Glucose Monitor; Blood Pressure Gauge; First Aid Kit (Cunski) DELIVERED AUGUST 2008

Oxygen Tank (Cunski) DELIVERED JUNE 2009

Mission Statement

IMAS, a Not-for-Profit Corporation is a humanitarian foundation created in the USA to support the health services for the people of the islands of CRES, LOSINJ, ILOVIK, SUSAK, MALE & VELE SRAKANE, & UNIJE in Croatia.

Cilj udruge:

IMAS je dobrotvorna I neprofitna udruga osnovana u New Yorku, SAD, s ciljem da pomogne pružanju zdravstvenih usluga stanovnicima otoka CRES, LOSINJ, ILOVIK, SUSAK, MALE & VELE SRAKANE, I UNIJE u Hrvatskoj!

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*It is with sadness that our entire Board mourns the passing of our first President and active member MARIO DUMICIC.

Mario was a good man who helped us aim high and achieve more than we ever hoped for.

OUR ANITA PAGAN...

was walking in the park in Veli Losinj with her sister, Pierina Budinic, last August when she slipped on pine needles. A week later her pain became more severe. Fearing her new hip was damaged, Anita made an appointment to have it X-rayed. Thankfully no bones were broken. On a follow up back in the States, her Dr. Morgan prescribed an ultrasound and found a hematoma to be causing

the pain. He prescribed a local cream and rest. Anita wanted us to know she felt well taken care of by the X-ray technician in Mali Losinj, and most importantly, she was glad to see the X-ray machine to be fully operational. Having local care available made her trip that much more comfortable. We are all glad our newly adopted aunt (teta) Anita is out and about frying her delicious fritule.

Sincerely,
Dusanka Marusic

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE "SOCIETY CHERSINA"

The "Society Chersina" will be celebrating its 100th anniversary next June.

Founded in 1910 in Astoria, its original purpose was to provide aid to maritime workers from Cherso (Cres) who had emigrated to America. Over the years, helping members with financial hardships became less necessary.

The Society today is a social organization that strives to preserve the culture, customs, and dialect of Cherso (Cres) by cultivating a sense of unity, providing charitable donations, and hosting social events. The Society's success is due in large part to the founding members, to whom we are deeply thankful, as well as to all the members since who have worked tirelessly toward preserving its goals.

This longevity is cause for celebration which we will commemorate with a gala event at the

Inn at New Hyde Park

on

Saturday, June 5, 2010

We would like all our friends to please save the date and anticipate a formal invitation in the spring of 2010. We would be honored by your presence and look forward to seeing you in June!

To learn more about us visit our website at:
www.societychersina.com

Submitted by,
Gianna Negovetic

MESSAGE FROM FATHER ELLIS CROATIAN MISSION, ASTORIA, NY

Dragi prijatelji i darovatelji Udruge IMAS,

Ne ostati hladan na tuđu nesreću, učiniti nekome dobro ne pitajući ga ni tko je, ni što je, ni odakle je; ne misliti uopće na to ima li ti čime platiti, hoće li ti nauditi, što će drugi reći - vrlina je življenja. Kada takvo ponašanje shvatimo kao životnu logiku, kao mudrost življenja, onda bez straha možemo reći da smo shvatili bit svoje vjere, da smo pohvatali konce Isusovog učenja i više nam ništa drugo ne treba, sve ostalo se nadograđuje.

Drugim riječima, jednostavnije rečeno, ne postoji bogoljublje bez čovjekoljublja i obrnuto. Uvjeren sam da su mnoga uvažena imena stotinu puta postidjeli neki mali jednostavni nepoznati ljudi, jer su pomagali zato što drugačije i nisu mogli

reagirati, to je upisano u njih, oni ne filozofiraju nego praktično pokazuju što znači neizmjereno ljubiti Boga - pomoći čovjeku, svakom, baš svakom čovjeku u potrebi.

Nemojte nikada nikome u potrebi zalupiti vrata, naići na prometnu nesreću i nastaviti voziti, vidjeti da netko nekoga na ulici ugnjetava i okrenuti glavu i nastaviti hodati, naići na čovjeka koji je pao i slomio se i zaobići ga; i da ne nabrajam dalje situacije.

Netko daleko mudriji od mene jednom mi je rekao: "Tko god dođe k tebi pomogni mu koliko možeš. Možda mu ne možeš ili ne smiješ dati baš ono i onoliko koliko traži, ali nemoj da od tebe ode praznih ruku". Dobro se uvijek dobrim vraća.

By
Ellis Tommaseo



SAVE THE DATE
MAY 1, 2010
DINNER DANCE

AT THE
ASTORIA WORLD
MANOR

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