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Editorial

Here is another number, the eighth in a row, ending in the midst of the fourth wave of the Covid - 19 epidemic. A new strain of the virus has just appeared, which, as viruses do, is constantly mutating in order to survive. Just like the "wise man". Homo sapiens who constantly invents something new in order to satisfy his laziness and to overcome man, the other, to win and to be first, in front of and above others and to show his strength. Much could be said about his wisdom. Especially to our croatian-one. And a lot has already been said, summed up in more or less wise sayings, which are transmitted much further and longer than these folk wisdoms, important for some other times, can withstand the tests of new times and become worthless, even counterproductive! It has long been said "Three Croats - five parties", "Everyone knows everything best, from football and politics to science", and the famous Croatian envy, "Let my cow die just se that my neighbors cow dies also!" Never agree on anything. Eachone pulls to their side and does not give a millimeter of "theirown"! Fields, backyards (his headboard is on the road and it shakes at the passage of every vehicle, but won't give a centimeter for the sidewalk...), won't give his space in the tram for anyone to pass through! Noone can dispute his opinion on anything! From his own brother to a top scientist. It is the same with Covid-19. From those who claim that it doesn't exist, that so many people die just for fun, out of spite or just to harm the anti-vaxers, to those who are seriously scared and do not leave their home for a second because they would be grabed and put away by that ugly, new Satan immediately! Yes-no for masks, then safe distances, and Covid-certificates are a red rag! Half of us barely managed to get vaccinated from all that great wisdom and that way there is no way to protect ourselves from new waves, to achieve that sanative "herd immunity"! There is always someone smarter.



But not with arguments, but in order to blur the water as much as possible. Journalists, masters at it, use such situations to sell one more copy of their newspaper and get attacked by anti-vaxers! Some of them meanly laugh at the general nonsense and those of "high positioned" politicians and the opposition! No one manages to do something because they were appointed to this "position" by wise tricksters who use them for their own interests and suppress any individual attempt to do something constructive. And so Corona survives and people die. Here,, an entire city on our scale! Because half of the people do not want to be vaccinated, because it takes at least five years for the vaccine to be tested, because of the unknown side effects, negative effects and the like. And the Coronas sideeffects don't matter. So now let humanity use the knowledge from the age of plague and cholera, bury the dead and wait for five years if those who create this even newer vaccine survive, if not longer! Or let those who know nothing about a possible vaccine or know better than the WHO and do not want to build "herd immunity" with others, pay extra for multiple health insurance and maintain their inviolable integrity and, when they get sick, pay for their own treatment for a non-existent virus, if they admit that they are sick and if not, asylum, on some desert island! Medieval solutions are well tried and yet the safest!

Everyone is afraid of the negative effects of isolation, sudden escalation of peple being islands and counts the negative effects. But no one to raise awareness of the possibility given to the families to spend some time together again in their warm homes, talking, playing together, singing, dancing, telling stories, what was happening to them for so long but they barely had time to see each other to do so! Neither professions dedicated to people, children, young people, families, didn't offer so many opportunities for the return of man to his roots, his family from which he was abducted by the violence of capital, the "Kip up with Jonsons" and break away from general alienation! The madness of the decadence of Western civilization, started again by nothing else but the never-overcame cult of the "golden calf" that grew into all the cracks of reason and enchanted him, that wise man, with "colorful lies" despite his past revelation, not only Fromm's!

And so in spite of all this confusion our magazine goes further with new, interesting topics starting with multiculturalism from the perspective of feminism seen through the prism of the Muslim worldview. In this context, the topic of gender equality, often mentioned

in public, in everything is emphasized, although genders are not equal in everything (except in value, importance). The existing more or less visible specifics of both sexes that are evident require special, different answers. Equality does not mean linearity, but equal satisfaction of different needs and space to equally meet different opportunities, depending on the specifics (similar to the "equal" attitude of parents towards children in the family, where equality does not mean giving each child a ball if one of them prefers a book). The next article refers to the extremely important topic of poverty and social exclusion of the mentally ill. However serious this problem is, as the mentally ill are one of the least visible minority groups who, for understandable reasons, find it difficult to represent themselves, and society and the professionals involved in working with its members do not make the necessary efforts to address this problem. so the necessary efforts and investments to find the necessary mechanisms for their special protection, i.e. finding of specific ways to ensure the possibility of participation in permanent or occasional fair-paid work activities. Because of all that, they stay on the sidelines. This paper is a visible contribution to the search for a fair treatment of the mentally ill and effective ways to improve their position in society. The next article is focusing on the losses of addicts is an equally good attempt to shed light on the problems of one of the minority groups, i.e. one of the causes and instigators of the persistence and spread of addiction. Losses, whatever their type, are difficult for all people to deal with, and addicts can find it even harder to cope with them due to the specific nature of addiction as a disease. Each new loss pushes them into a deeper and heavier addiction. Instead of facing reality and gradually accepting it, they cope with the loss by escaping from reality, using increasingly "hard" psychoactive drugs and, increasingly changed psychologically, psychoorganically and socially, find it even harder to return to real and especially healthy life. Child abuse has been the number one topic among experts for decades, although there is not enough information in the public, clear findings and especially well-established criteria regarding the boundaries for parents and other adults in terms of the quality of relationships with children. Sexual abuse of children is a special topic and it is extremely important to pay full attention to this phenomenon because it is obviously more widespread than previously thought even in circles where it would not be expected. As a specific form of abuse, criminal behavior of adults towards children, for the existence and spread of which the entire society is responsible, all citizens, only during



recent decades is gaining the attention of the society increasingly aware in this regard. Human trafficking is a global problem that knows no borders, because the mafia has long accepted the "world without borders". This has a very specific reason. Huge amounts of money are being spent in this branch of "criminal activities". As a criminal phenomenon, it is primarily the concern of the police forces, both general and special, but, as a very complex phenomenon, it can only be successfully solved by a team with the participation of other professionals. Social work also has an important role in the fight against human trafficking aa well as the rehabilitation and resocialization of rescued victims, more complex and intensive work within local communities and the studying of the phenomenon itself. The next article talkes how psychodrama slowly but surely continues to enter the contexts of various helping professions. Social work follows the same path, psychodrama becoming its part in science, training new generations of professionals and practitioners, working with different groups from family, peers, addicts onwards. Again, a number of extremely important issues and problems in the psychosocial field are covered, as well as ways to resolve them. At the end, an interesting Conference "Child in Focus" was presented. It was organized by the Department of Social Work at the Faculty of Philosophy in Mostar. The main plenary lectures were given by esteemed professors from Zagreb: Dubravka Hrabar, Gordana Buljan-Flander, Irma Kovčo-Vukadin and from Gothenburg Lilja Cajvert. Sara Pong, a psychotherapist and supervisor from Sweden, presented a new approach to "taping" in working with children on "difficult" topics. Satisfied with the topics in this issue, we are curiously waiting for new articles that will bring new surprises with their content, some of which can already be seen in already submitted works!

Next, 2022 is the fortieth anniversary of the Small Creative Socialization Groups, our authentic approach to primary and secondary prevention of addiction, behavioral disorders and mental functioning of children and youth, as well as in helping families with broken relationships, the cause of all those difficult problems of new generations! Children are not able to cope with all this by them selves or even together with lost parents, and so they end up in an increasingly serious pathology on the margins of society without their will or responsibility. Social welfare centers are also unable to deal with all these and many difficult, other problems without prevention and use of this group approach (as shown by

the five-year catamnestic evaluation in Medimurje), because their employment standards are too low so that few experts in the Centers, overwhelmed by social pathology, manage, during those famous 8-12 minutes per user per month, only to "put out fires" on the tops of its glowing hills. Or "count the dead" post festum! It will be interesting to see what is happening all over Croatia in that field aswell! Has the social welfare system now even accepted the offered saving employment of as many as two hundred new professionals?! What will happen to this unexpected paradox?! Will it remain unaccepted, just because it is offered by the HDZ government? This is the only coherent solution, of course with the introduction of two-shift work, so that professional action in the field work is performed when users are at home, not at work, finally implemented street corner work programs. individual outside the system, application of which in our country, this magazine wrote last year already, in order to rationally use the premises of Social Welfare Centers, together with preschools conducted primary prevention premises of children's centers unused in the afternoon, run geriatrics clubs, clubs for addicts, patients with mental disorders, self-help groups, teen clubs, youth and similar forms of community work that are severely neglected and crucial for the necessary positive changes in a severely neglected society. What will the new Law on Social Welfare bring in all this? Obviously, we have an interesting year ahead of us in which we wish all of us a more successful and wise fight for health, quality of life in the community, happier self, family and school children, our future, more solidary, efficient and desirable values oriented society!