

Project „ELPIDA“ for Iraklia

Many little people in many little places doing many little things ...



„ELPIDA“ is a small, private, non-profit organization to support people on the small Cyclades Island of Iraklia who are in need because of the severe economic crisis in Greece.

5th „ELPIDA“ newsletter – July 2015

My little project **Elpída-for-Iraklia** will be three soon and is not a baby any more! Safe and confident on it's own feet it has already found some friends and curiously explores life.

NEWS:

- **December 2014: Evangelia** got another Christmas parcel with the necessary sanitary and household goods for € 88,-. She's as well as her circumstances allow. Since March she's being cared for by a new lady, Theodora. We'll be pleased to support her furthermore! 😊



- **January 2015: Erwin Schrumpf**, our important **medical supplier** was among the last people **rescued** from the **burning ferryboat Norman Atlantic**. Many of us prayed and trembled and **many angels** must have spread their sheltering wings over him and all other rescued ones and their helpers. His permanent and generous commitment has become truly essential for many hospitals and other institutions all over Greece, and we're very grateful that he's able to provide **Iraklia** like before! Maria payed € 50,- for the courier to get the parcels from Athens to Iraklia. www.griechenlandhilfe.at – Thank you, Erwin! 😊

- **February:** The **doctor's office** got a badly needed **fax** including **two ink cartridges** for **€ 120,-**. 😊



- **April:** The dream of their **excursion to Athens** came true for the **primary school:** They managed to **raise € 800,- themselves** in a **lottery** at Christmas and carnival! With another **€ 800,-** we could make the three day event possible that included the **Parliament**, the **Goulandris Museum** for Cycladic Art and the **Zoo „Attica Park“!** Many **thanks to all donors** from the teacher Alexandra in the name of **very happy children and parents!** 😊



- **April:** A beautiful **lookout point** was constructed by volunteers at the old **Kastro** in **Livadi beach**. They renovated the footpath as well and with **€ 505,-** they could buy **nine solar powered led lamps**. The oldest parts of this historical site go back to the fourth century BC. Now it's possible to **walk there safely** – even during a romantic night! 😊



- **April:** I was able to **transfer € 600,-** to Maria at Easter. The money came from donations as well as from sales commission.

- **April:** There's a new hand picked choice of my stationery with **Iraklia's underwater motifs** in **Zografos' attractive souvenir shop** in *Aghios Giorgos* right in time for the hot summer tourist season. Thank you, Evi and Giannis! 😊
- **May: !!!My travel essay on Iraklia** is on www.diablog.eu!!! Big joy! 😊😊😊 The initiator of this bilingual blog Dr. Michaela Prinzing (interpreter / translator, i.a. for Petros Markaris' novels into German) heard about **Elpída** from the www.griechenlandhilfe.at and asked me to write about „my“ island. See <http://diablog.eu/unterwegs/iraklia-die-urheimat-des-wassers/> in German and <http://diablog.eu/el/taxidevontas/iraklia-i-propatoriki-koitida-tou-nerou/> in Greek! (I couldn't have translated that of course, my poor Greek is much too far from such a challenge! ☹) You'll find the **english version** on my website: www.johanna-klinar.at
- This blog (plus www.diablogger.eu, also on facebook) is an **absolutely compulsory link for all Grecophiles:** *“Our bilingual web portal went online in August 2014. Thank you for finding us! Here you'll meet like-minded people whose goal is a relaxed and attentive German-Greek relationship,...”*(quote) **Very versatile, interesting, entertaining and of high quality!** Up to date information on culture, politics, literature, events, travel, culinary art, etc...😊
- **June: !!!New selling place for my cards** in the city of **Salzburg!!!** The fine art gallery **artlet** in the Wolf-Dietrich-Straße is a long cherished dream come true for my publisher Harald Eisl. It provides space for exhibitions as well as a **stationery shop** with a wide choice of beautiful and appealing products. www.eisl.co.at 😊



- **June:** Beginning of the **summer season.** Several **seasonal shops** alongside the **impressive alpine road** www.großglockner-hochalpenstraße.at offer **cards and diaries** from my alpine flower collection – additional to my permanent resellers. Thanks to all! 😊

Our collections now sum up to more than € 6000,- in total
since the beginning of the project in July 2012 and **it's all money well spent!**
In August I'll be able to hand over another nice amount.
A big THANK YOU to all of you!

WE INVITE YOU TO SUPPORT US FURTHERMORE:

- **Share this information** with your friends
- **Contribute to our funds** once or continuously – even small sums are really helpful!
- Visit our picture shows PowerPoint presentation **“BEAUTIES OF IRAKLIA”**
- Buy or sell our **stationery**
- Organize a **fund raising event**
- Contact us with an **interested host**
- Subscribe to our **newsletter** (send me your / your friends' email address)
- Best of all – **spend your holidays on Iraklia** and take your friends with you!!! 😊



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Ευχαριστώ πολύ! (Eucharistó polí = Many thanks!)

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More detailed information about **Elpida** since 2012 - **Iraklia** including Holiday stories – helpful **links** – available **stationery** with my **wildlife motifs** from the **Aegean Area** and from my **Austrian surroundings**