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**Backpage: Making the News**

**Greece cracks down on illegal immigration**

**Illegal immigrants are seen in Nea Vissa village, northern Chios island. Greece Cracks Down on Illegal Immigration.**

**By Sophia Stratakis Huling**

Athens – Greece, still struggling to save its economy after two years of bailouts and austerity measures, is down to its last chance. Parliament’s governing coalition has decried the bloc at the same time as the island’s historic market of Pontos, 80 years after it was burned.

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By Vasilis Kapsis

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The Children of Hercules at New York’s Acropolis Free Summer Festival

The Greek National Herald August 23, 2012

By Nicholas Sattinger

A THEATRE REPORT

The first-ever August summer festival at the Acropolis Museum in Athens, Greece, which opened on August 28, has enjoyed an impressive start, bringing a new level of excitement to the cultural life of the city.

The festival, entitled “Children of Hercules,” is an annual event that has been held in New York City since 1993. It features a selection of plays by the ancient Greek playwright Euripides, who is known for his realistic and often controversial depictions of human nature.

The festival began on August 28 with the premiere of “Hercules,” a production directed by Todd MacIntyre. The play, which is based on the life of the legendary Greek hero Hercules, explores themes of masculinity, family, and the dangers of hubris.

The performance was held in the new Acropolis Museum, which opened in 2009 and is located on the site of the ancient Acropolis hill. The museum, designed by Swiss-Finnish architect Peter Zumthor, features an innovative design that allows for natural light to flood the interior spaces.

The festival continues through September 1 with a variety of other productions, including “Theseus,” “Medea,” and “Elephant and Bird.” All performances are free to the public, and are presented in Greek with English subtitles.

The Children of Hercules festival is a testament to the enduring power of Greek culture, and demonstrates the vital role that such festivals play in preserving and promoting the rich heritage of the ancient world.

The festival is organized by the Greek National Herald, a leading source of news and information about Greece and the Hellenic community in the United States.
A Brief Look at the History, Culture, and Contributions of the Pontian Greeks

Seafaring Greeks colonized the coastal areas of the Black Sea, known as Pontus from the Greek word for sea, beginning in the 12th century BCE. With the ex- pansion of the Hellenistic Empire, the region included many Greek-speaking people. Greek culture and influence continued into the late Roman and Byzantine periods, when the region was part of the Eastern Roman Empire.

Throughout history, many of the area's significant events have involved the Pontic Greeks. In 1097, 60,000 Pontian Greeks were killed by Turks after a mutiny in the Ottoman navy. In 1895, 265,000 Greeks from eastern Anatolia were massacred by Ottoman Turks in the Pontic Genocide. In 1923, over 200,000 Greeks were forced to leave the region as part of the Greek population exchange. The Pontian Greeks have continued to contribute to the cultural and economic life of the region.

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James Cargas and Dotra Cargas on the campaign trail.

help pay medical bills and live their miserable life, assuming best case; or something for their beneficiaries to do after that... if they live, or something for their heirs. It's better to prevent the injuries and put the plaintiff lawyers out of work.” Cargas’ wife Dorina is a neurologist, and also advises the City on construction projects. Look at the bigger picture... They say if you want to stop mining, you have to stop using the earth. If we want to stop pollution, we have to stop consuming. If we want to stop global warming, we have to stop burning fossil fuels. If we want to stop cancer, we have to stop smoking. Cargas says “this is not Los Angeles. We have a lot of farmers, we have a lot of small businesses, we have a lot of manufacturing.” Culberson voted to support the Tea Party. That huge, world class... Culberson’s thinking is that we can’t afford to do everything... Culberson voted for it. We have to do what we can do... He said that there are...

2012 Presidential Race - Update

By Constancias E. Sources

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Harry Mark Petrakis: The Working and Enduring Influence of a Literary Lion

By Steve Francis

The impact of the literary lion Harry Mark Petrakis is evident not only in his life and work but also in the community where he resides.

As a young man, Petrakis was a leader in the Greek community, working tirelessly to promote Greek-American culture. He was known for his dedication to the arts and his commitment to preserving Greek language and culture.

Petrakis was also a prolific writer, authoring numerous short stories, novels, and essays. His work has been translated into several languages and has been widely published. He was recognized for his contributions to literature with numerous awards and honors.

Despite his success, Petrakis remained humble and dedicated to his craft. He continued to write and lecture until his passing in 2015.

The legacy of Harry Mark Petrakis lives on through his work and the community he helped to build.

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GREEK AMERICAN STORIES

The Master Invention

By Phyllis (Kiki) Sembos

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The three friends continued their conversation, discussing the new yogurt and its various flavors. They agreed that it was a great alternative to traditional yogurt and that it was healthy and nutritious.

As they finished their coffee, they reflected on the changing landscape of the food industry. The rise of Greek yogurt was just one example of how the market was evolving, and they were excited to see what other new trends would emerge in the future.

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The samples were highly praised for their creamy texture and tangy flavor, and they have remained a popular attraction at the state fair ever since.

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The service was attended by a large crowd of parishioners, who were blessed with the presence of the Holy Spirit. The liturgy was presided over by Bishop Philemon, who delivered a powerful homily on the significance of the Dormition of the Virgin Mary.

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Greek Could Use Tax Proceeds from Shipping

By Dimitris Kontogiannis

World Outraged at Tax Police Attack on Hydra

Samaras to Germany: Greece Needs Some Air

Greeks Cut to Be Deeper Than Originally Assumed

By Dimitrios Kontogiannis

Greece's $260 billion government plans to use direct tax revenues of about $77 billion this year, similar to providing revenue growth for five years and setting unusually high standards for additional costs. The government has promised to increase the primary budget surplus of at least 3.5% of GDP this year, requiring additional funding from the European Union. The government's policies are consistent with these expectations, as the tax revenue from shipping companies is expected to increase significantly.

Country's exemption for shipping companies

Greece's shipping industry is one of the largest in the world, and the country has historically exempted income from taxation for shipping companies. This exemption has been challenged by Greece's neighbors, who argue that it is a form of tax evasion.

Shipping companies' tax evasion

Shipping companies in Greece have been accused of tax evasion, particularly in relation to the carriage of goods and services. The Greek government has been trying to crack down on tax evasion, but has encountered significant challenges.

Greek government's resistance to tax evasion

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Athens, Greece — Greek Prime Minister Antonis Samaras, right, listens as German Finance Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble speaks during a meeting at the German Finance Ministry in Berlin, Thursday, Aug. 22, 2013.

“Let me be very explicit: we need more reforms and more austerity have to be imposed in Greece,” Schaeuble told Bild. “There are indications, if not proof, that the country has seen hundreds of organized criminal organizations, and some auxiliary pensions eliminated. A Greek helicopter drops water over a burning forest on the Greek eastern Aegean Sea island of Chios. Some 7,000 hectares of forest, including the wild olive groves known for its formerly lush foliage, have been burned.

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**Greek Prime Minister, Antonis Samaras, right, in front of European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso in the context of the European Council on Thursday, Aug. 22, 2013.**

The lightweight aircrafts of the Muster and Samos police forces have been permitted to return to their bases after a six-month work suspension, although the authorities have made every effort to make its debt sustainable and allow it to return to the markets, many analysts have been forced to bring in as much as $70 billion in more cuts in state enterprises who have enjoyed salaries two to three times higher than public workers.

**Greece: Central Government Debt Is Now at $372 Billion**

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Athens, Greece — The country has been grappling with a severe financial crisis since late 2009, and is dependent on international rescue loans from the International Monetary Fund and other European countries to keep the country afloat. The country has been bailed out twice, was hit by the financial crisis, and closed 68,000 businesses in 2012, of which 45,000 workers at 60-70 percent in austerity measures.

The Bailout of Greece has been widely criticized, with many analysts and international organizations arguing that it has been a failure. The Greek government has imposed stringent austerity measures, including cuts in public spending, increases in taxes, and the privatization of state-owned assets. These measures have led to widespread protests and strikes, and have been accompanied by a sharp decline in living standards and a rise in poverty.

**Background: Greece's Debt Crisis**

Greece has been facing a severe economic crisis since 2009, when its banks were flooded with Greek debt and the country was forced to seek international rescue loans from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other European countries. The country has been bailed out twice, in 2010 and 2012, and is currently in negotiations with its creditors to extend its bailout program.

Greece’s central government debt is now at $372 billion, according to the country’s finance minister. The European Commission has estimated that the country’s economy will shrink by 2.5 percent this year, and that the country will remain in recession until 2018.

**Greeks, German Ministers Kick Off Euro Diplomacy**

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**The Battle Rages on: Chios Fire, Fueled by Wind, Burns Mastic Trees**

Wildfires are common in Greece during the dry hot summers, and high winds (known as meltemi) blow in the Aegean Sea during summer months. The Greek government has recently issued an alert for the risk of wildfires, and has been working to prevent the spread of fires.

**Comprehensive Measures**

To prevent the spread of wildfires, the Greek government has implemented a number of measures, including:

- **Firefighting Plans:** The government has established a national emergency plan to coordinate firefighting efforts.
- **Public Awareness:** The government has launched a campaign to raise awareness among the public about the risks of wildfires and how to prevent them.
- **Firefighting Equipment:** The government has invested in new firefighting equipment, including helicopters and planes.
- **Early Warning Systems:** The government has improved its early warning systems to detect fires as early as possible.
- **Public Outreach:** The government has launched a public outreach campaign to educate the public about the risks of wildfires.

Despite these measures, wildfires continue to be a serious threat in Greece, and the government is working to improve its strategies to prevent their spread.

**Conclusion**

Wildfires can have severe consequences, including property damage, loss of life, and environmental degradation. The Greek government is working to prevent the spread of wildfires, and is taking comprehensive measures to protect the country from these dangers. However, wildfires continue to be a serious threat, and the government is working to improve its strategies to prevent their spread.

**Greek Prime Minister, Antonis Samaras, right, in front of European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso in the context of the European Council on Thursday, Aug. 22, 2013.**

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Greek is Getting Bolder

In recent days Greece has launched a counteroffensive regarding its stance with Germany; the latter's decision regarding the outcome of the Greek debt crisis is of vital importance. The Greek government stresses that in recent meetings of the Eurozone finance ministers it became clear that the “proposed reductions – around 13.5 billion euros– may test the emergency. “The truth is that Greece

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In response, the Greek government is also making their position clear. They have stated that they will not accept any further austerity measures.

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**Who will win the battle?**

There are also a handful of other factors to consider. First, the current market conditions are likely to remain favorable for the Turkish side. Second, the political and economic risks associated with entering into a conflict with Greece are higher for Turkey than for Greece. Finally, the international community may be more inclined to support Greece due to its long-standing commitment to democracy and human rights.

In summary, it is difficult to predict the outcome of this crisis. However, it is clear that the situation is complex and that both sides have important strategic interests at stake. It is crucial that all parties work to de-escalate tensions and avoid the possibility of war.

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