

SUNI E.V.

# newsletter



## SUNI E.V. AT THE TV HONORARY OFFICE GALA IN TRIER



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On 21<sup>st</sup> of January 2017 Barbara Scharfbillig received the Respekt!-award for honorary office in Trier. Barbara Scharfbillig was awarded for her commitment at Suni e.V. with the Respekt!-Award for the month of January. In the picture you can see Barbara with the minister-president of Rhineland Palatinate, who stressed how important voluntary service was in Rhineland Palatinate. Barbara would like to thank Fabien Olsem for the nomination.

## LEARNING MATERIAL FOR PRE-SCHOOLS IN THE OMAHEKE REGION

Blentina Muariani is one of eleven kindergarten teachers who attended a workshop on 20<sup>th</sup> of February in Epukiro in the Omaheke Region in Namibia. Since April 2016 the Entwicklungspolitische Landesnetzwerk Rhineland Palatinate supports a project of Suni e.V. in which, together with the ministry of education of the Omaheke region and the Light for the Children Trust, learning material which reflects on the world of children in the Omaheke region is produced. In the context of this project a learning poster, a memory and a picture book were developed and produced.



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Blentina Muariani came from a small kindergarten in Okatuuu and travelled almost six hours in different lifts to Epukiro to attend the workshop. Even her 31<sup>st</sup> birthday which was just that exact day couldn't keep her from coming the long way over flooded gravel roads to the workshop. "I'm happy about the material for my kids and the possibility to learn more about pedagogical methods" she says. And she continues that "encouragement in early childhood is very important, especially in rural regions and where children grow up under unfavourable conditions."

Since October 2016 over 100 kindergarten teachers of the Omaheke region were introduced to the new learning material and over 50 kindergartens and pre-schools received it.

## WORKSHOP AT THE LIGHT FOR THE CHILDREN CENTER IN EPAKO

Since 2016, Suni e.V. cooperates with the Light of the Children Trust, who runs the Light for the Children Center in Epako. Barbara Scharfbillig and Susanne Kreis visited the organization again and held a second workshop to introduce the teachers to the new learning material. We would like to thank the team of Epako for the great cooperation.



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## NEW VOLUNTEER IN WITVLEI

At the end of February Marina, a new Suni e.V. volunteer, arrived in Namibia. She's going to support the teachers at Nossob Combined School and we wish her all the best for her time in Namibia!

## SUNI E.V. AND ONLINE DONATION PLATFORMS

Suni e.V. is now represented on various donation platforms on the internet. You can support Suni e.V. online by using benefind.de for your online search inquiries, or donate a few percent of your online purchases via the boost-project.com/de without any extra costs. The online dealer Amazon has created its own donation platform amazon.smile where Suni e.V. is now registered as well.



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We are also still collecting donations on betterplace.org to be able to pay two voluntary kindergarten teachers at Zsogar Dira kindergarten a monthly expense allowance of 90€. So far, 37 % of the needed amount were received. We would like to sincerely thank all our supporters for your ongoing support!

## RENOVATION OF CLASSROOMS IN OTJIVERO

With the help of money from Suni e.V. donations a few classrooms of Otjivero Primary School were renovated. We wish all pupils and their teachers a lot of fun and success with their new classrooms.