



LA GRANDE FAMILLE DE PROCIDA & ISCHIA

Newsletter 53 – March 2012

Several meetings in 2012

The following meetings are scheduled:

24 and 25 March: XIe Rencontres Généalogiques et Historiques du Languedoc in Mauguio (South of France)



You can find on our Web site under « News » the brochure of this event.

We will hold a stand and I will be present in person during the 2 days, along with Henri SCOTTO DI VETTIMO, René BARONÉ on Saturday and Jean-Pierre FERRARI on Sunday.

Don't forget to come and visit us and/or bring your questions and ideas...

Don't miss also a unique souvenir of Procida which we will have for sale over the week-end!

16 June: Meeting in Toulon (South of France)

Michèle PENTAGROSSA has managed to organize an alternative to the traditional meeting of Marseille. With the help of Georges BRUNIER she has found a restaurant in Toulon and set up the following program for the day:

Morning: visit of the Marine Museum (30 people max.) at the cost of 6 Euros per person.

Followed by a lunch at the restaurant « La Coupole » (30 Euros per person, all inclusive).

A video projector will be available allowing us to spend some time presenting you the latest news and projects. Volunteers are of course welcome to present their research.

To register, please send me quickly an email to info@procida-family.com.

More information available at the « News » section of our Web site.

To be continued...

5th General Meeting in 2013

Here we go again... it is now the time so start thinking and organizing our next trip to Procida and Ischia ☺

After several discussions, I can confirm that our next and 5th General Meeting will be held in Procida and Ischia during the period from 13 to 28 April 2013.

More precision on the dates will be confirmed to you during the summer at the latest. Before then, do not hesitate to provisionally book your agenda.

I remind you of the usual conditions for your trip and accommodation:

- Each member organizes his own trip to the islands by the transport of your choice.
- The Association can organize for you the accommodation of your choice in Procida or Ischia. This is an advantage to those of you who don't speak Italian and to avoid you any additional bank fee for reservation. At times, you may also benefit from discounts on your stay, where possible. Of course you are also free to organize everything on our own.

To be continued...

New members and renewals for 2012

To this date, 188 members have been registered for year 2012.

This is a very good figure but it seems that many of you have forgotten to renew their membership. Do not hesitate to pass the word.

Thank you once again for your support and encouragements that I received since the beginning of the year!

Pascal SCOTTO DI VETTIMO

La Grande Famille de Procida & Ischia

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Evolutions of our Web site

The following points have been implemented over the past weeks:

- A new authentication screen
- The memorization of the date of your last visit to the « Messages » board, which allows us to highlight the conversations that have been modified recently.

Two major changes are currently being prepared:

- A new interface for our search engine
- A new shop including the possibility to search for keywords and order online books, postcards, stamps...

The next evolutions could include:

- The ability for the members to manage and tune his list of cousins.
- Managing the volunteers and following up online the work in progress with the indexation.

To be continued...

New indexes available online

See below the list of registers and updates that have been imported into our online database :

Archive	Registers
FORIO San Sebastiano	B11 (checked by Jean-Pierre FERRARI)
LACCO AMENO S. Maria delle Grazie	B06 (Carole GENZANO) D05 (Sylviane MORIAU)
PONZA	B07 (Jean-Pierre FLORIO)
PROCIDA Comune	N11-1820 to N40-1849 (Marc LOROTTE)
PROCIDA San Michele	B29 (René BARONE)

Many thanks to the volunteers that decrypt line by line these indexes and registers.

Our collaboration and progress with FamilySearch

In May 2011 during our General Meeting, we discussed about a potential collaboration with FamilySearch because they had digitalized the communes of the island of Ischia.

Since, the project was set-up and everything went faster than we hoped:

- **The indexation of the registers of the town of Serrara Fontana (1841-1880) ended last February.** Thank you for your efficient work day after day. Started in November, the work was completed in only 4 months by a dozen of volunteers.
- In March, we started a new and larger project: **the indexation of the registers of the town of Monte di Procida (1817-1929)**, where we will find parents and cousins who came from the island of Procida.
- Next, all the computerized data will be prepared by FamilySearch before sending us a copy of the final database, which we will be able to import on our own Web site, available through our powerful search engine

Here is the progress made so far with Monte di Procida:

Images	Batches
9 268	2 416
Batches by 1st indexer	
1 267	13 %
Batches by 2nd indexer	
1 055	11 %
Arbitrated	
717	7 %

If you wish to give us a hand (even minimal) to this project, do not hesitate to contact me at info@procida-family.com.

You will discover how indexing can be fun, interesting, and without stress. In effect, each batch of record is indexed by 2 different members and a third person (more expert) arbitrates the potential indexing conflicts and validates the indexation.

Thank you!

Pascal SCOTTO DI VETTIMO