

LA GRANDE FAMILLE DE PROCIDA

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Hello!

After a very busy month of May, here are the latest news including the progress made during the last trip to Procida and Ischia, and also information on the new services offered by the Association and its sponsors.

I have received many requests for certificates from you during my absence and you will receive my responses with a short delay. I thank you for your patience but I am really pleased to see that everyone is making progress in the search of your roots!

Digitalization & computerization

As you notice regularly new indexes are computerized and are made available on the Web Site, thanks to the help of volunteers who work hard to decrypt and compile them! Therefore, many of you have been able to find their ancestors in Procida and build their family tree. Some of you have even found themselves cousins! It has also been the case for me with a couple of you!

Today, you will discover **18 new registers** that I brought back from **Procida** with me. © The baptisms are done and the deaths have been started!

Regarding **Ischia**, we are also making progress. As I had promised, after *Forio* in March, I have made contact with the parish of *Barano* and obtained the authorization to digitalize the registers. For my next trip (at the end of July), it is planned to repeat the process with the town of *Ischia*. I hope next to organize and schedule the first work of digitalization of these parishes in autumn 2004.

Culture & tradition of Procida

To know more about Procida life, discover the culture and traditions of our small island, and possibly improve your Italian, I have the pleasure to offer the following new services along with our sponsors in Procida.



Annual subscription to the local newspapers « *ProcidaOggi* » for **18** € (including postage for France) (approx. 10 issues).



Soon you will also be able to purchase documents and books proposed by « Libreria Graziella ».

Web Site

Among the new features of our Web Site, you will discover this month:

- The updated list of all the registers of Procida that have been digitalized.
- Always more indexes available.

- Our article published in the «*ProcidaOggi* » of 22nd May about the genealogy event that took place in Marseille in April.
- The « *Links* » page has been revamped.
- On the « *Forum* » (only in French and until a better place is found), I have posted the list of all the registers available at the 'Archives Maritimes de Toulon', answering the question of one of you regarding the registration of fishermen and sailors in Algeria.

PayPal

A new method for international payments is now available. This service is provided by www.paypal.com and makes electronic payments easy and secure via email/Internet and credit card.



This service is intended for people outside France, allowing them to pay the fees without having to pay extra bank charges. For those in France, the payments are made as usual by cheque, bank transfer or cash.

Projects

Following your queries and the needs of the Association, the following projects are being studied:

- The possibility to research all brothers and sisters of a parent.
- The compilation of file of all surnames of Procida.
- The reediting of the books: « Les Procidiens d'Oran » by J.P. Badia and « Mers-el-Kébir Le Grand Port » by R. Tinthoin (both in French).

The Association will probably participate at the next genealogy 'Mediterranean' events that will be taking place in the south of France in autumn 2004. The first one will be held in Nice in October and the other one in Six-Fours in November. This will be a new chance to meet some of you.

Of course, if you have other suggestions or remarks, do not hesitate in letting me know.

Thank you again for your support! Best wishes,

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