

LA GRANDE FAMILLE DE PROCIDA & ISCHIA Newsletter N°29 – 11 March 2007

Dear all,

I have the pleasure to announce that the next monthly evolution of our new search engine has been released on the Web site:

Second evolution of our search engine (v2.2)

As always listening to your comments and suggestions, you will find a new search screen, including now new search options:

- By default, only the towns of your origins are displayed in the first search list.
 - It is therefore important that you indicate precisely and regularly your origins in your profile. On top of which, these are very useful for statistics and our future projects.
- You may easily locate a specific certificate using its reference number, should you know it already.
- You may search on a specific register or display the full list of certificate that it contains.
- Access to the new dynamic list of registers is available directly from the search screen.
 This will allow you to check which registers have been digitalized, computerized into our database, and know which registers do no longer exist.
- Access to the 2007 registered members list is also available from the search screen.

Today, I invite you to connect you to the site and download the new user's guide.

Enjoy your search experience!

Pascal SCOTTO DI VETTIMO

Domenico SCOTTO D'APOLLONIA (di Pisa)

During the 18th century, Domenico Santo SCOTTO D'APOLLONIA was a businessman of Procida. His occupation and ambitions brought him, between 1775 and 1809, to operate far from home and to build a life filled in encounters, trading, good deals and aristocratic friendship in the Dukedom of Tuscany.

Read this article on our Web site at the "Procida/Ischia" section (Italian and French versions are available). It has been written by Alice SOBRERO, student at Pisa University, for her thesis in 2006.

New indexes available

4 previous indexes have now been converted and imported into our database. They are:

- The first 3 registers of marriages of Procida: M01, M02, M03
- The register of baptisms B02 of **Barano** has been entirely verified. Partially destructed, many certificates are missing. However, it has been possible to rebuild the complete list of certificate in that period, thanks to its index (nearly untouched). The missing certificates are marked as "Détruit" in the database (see field "Etat").

3 new indexes have also been computerized by ou volunteers:

• **Procida** : D01

Forio San Vito : D03Testaccio : B04.1

The full list of **Mayors of Procida** is now available at the "Procida/Ischia".

Thank you to Annie-Claire, Jean-Pierre, Marie-Lyse, Michel and Sylviane for their hard work!

La Grande Famille de Procida & Ischia

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Reminder and help

I wish to remind you of the following **rules for ordering certificates**:

- 10 certificates maximum per order
- 1 order every 7 days
- 2 weeks in average for responding to your orders if only certificates are requested
- 3 weeks in average if translations are requested

Regarding translations:

- We will not be able to translate in full the certificates in Latin (only simple translations will be done)
- Various guides, examples and links are provided to help you read and understand the certificates. They are available at the "Registers" section.
- The tariffs for the various types of translations are also available from this section.

I remind you also that the **user's guide** shows and explains how to:

- Configure Internet Explorer
- Search for certificates
- Consult the list of registers
- Order certificates
- Update your profile

This guide is updated every time a new version of the search engine is implemented. You may download it from the section "Registers".

Coming events

First of all, there is a very interesting conference in Nice on **14**th **March 2007** at 4pm, led by M. Emile SERNA, Inspector General Honorary of the French National Education. The subject is: « **Une communauté Oranaise : les Napolitains de l'Île de Procida à Mers-el-Kébir et à la Marine d'Oran** ». This conference is free and opened to everyone.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to get there (too far and being in the middle of the week). However I hope that those of you who will attend will give us their feedback and inform M. SERNA of our Association ©

Regarding the next events where we will be able to meet:

- On 23rd June 2007 in Paris, the 3rd Forum
 des Associations Italiennes, organized by
 the Magazine FOCUS. Like the pas years, it
 will be take place at the intersection of
 boulevard Blanqui and place d'Italie. Mena
 and Maria CAPODANNO of Procida will be
 with us once again!
- On 17th July 2007 in Procida, we will meet and hold our 2nd General Meeting. 66 attendees have been registered, including 26 members. The program and the other official documents are in progress and will be sent to you next month.

To be continued...