

LA GRANDE FAMILLE DE PROCIDA & ISCHIA Newsletter N°48 – 27 August 2010

Digitalizing the last parishes of Ischia

As expected the program of my trip, this summer, to **the parish of Casamicciola** has now been completely digitized, thanks to the permission of Don Filippo CAPUTO.

The computerization of the index registers of Casamicciola and Lacco Ameno has started, but slowly, due to the lack of experienced volunteers. Some new members have begun to decode the index and the work is progressing finally.

This is why, for the moment, no record appears again in our base data. If you think that you are able to decipher the writings of the priests of Ischia, then please give us a helping hand.

On the other missing parishes:

Namely Panza, Serrara, Fontana, contact continues. In addition, it will have also the parish of Buonopane, said to be "destroyed" by the archivist of Ischia. But it will always have old records, guarded by a reluctant priest.

But as usual time and patience are the key, and you know well that up until now I have never not succeeded and that tenacity has paid off.

In parallel, to prepare for the future of the Association, I plan to begin to contact other localities, such as Monte di Procida, Capri and even Ventotene ©

Thank you for your patience and support.

Our next General Meeting

The preparations for our next General Meeting are proceeding. As you know, it will be held in Ischia and Procida from 3 to 5 May 2011.

The provisional program is:

- **3 May: General Meeting in Ischia** (negotiations are on course for it to take place on the Aragonese Castle but this is not yet won, we are also looking for another option...).
- 4 May: boat trip to Capri with a walk on the island.
- 5 May: Lunch, conferences and exhibitions at Solchiaro (Procida), tasting of products in a pleasant setting, with a view of the sea, Vesuvius, the vines and olive trees.

For those who will be there before and/or after, here are the traditional events:

- 22 April: procession Friday Saint.
- 8 May: procession of the Archangel Saint Michael in Procida

I will send soon a registration form, in order to determine the number of participants, to enable me to proceed with booking of hotels and apartments on the two islands before the end of the year.

To follow ...

Pascal SCOTTO DI VETTIMO

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The next meals with the members

Since you 're fond of this type of meeting, allowing everyone to see their cousins without waiting two years for the General Assembly, we have provided two new days this fall:

- On Sunday 10 October at Blois (with complementary activities on Saturday 9) organized by Michèle SCOTTO DI VETTIMO and Marc LOROTTE.
- On Saturday 6 November in Marseille organized by René BARONE.

Here is the program for the meal in Blois, which is testing a <u>new formula</u>: the members cook Italian food for themselves! with the help of a teacher of Italian cuisine of course).

The venue of the meeting is Bracieux, near Blois, where we have rented a room (with kitchen) for this event.

On 9 October

- 14h: unusual visit of the royal castle of Blois (maximum 18 participants)
- 17h: Preparation of the room and meals with the help of a teacher of Italian Cuisine

On 10 October

- 10h: Preparation of meals
- 12h: Lunch
- 15h: Genealogical activities (research, exhibition, shop)

Registration is complete: 53 people registered!

The fee is 30 Euros per person for lunch and 10 Euros per person for the visit. If you have not yet sent your confirmations, I you thank for doing so from now.

For lunch in Marseille, René BARONE and Jean-Claude MEZZANA are finalizing the program. The tariff will also be 30 Euros per person. The meal will be held at the restaurant "The Arcenaulx" as the previous year.

Registrations are open! For this e-mail today to info@procida-family.com to book your seat and send your payment.

Italy in the center of France

The town of Romorantin, which has collaboration with the city of Vinci, in Tuscany, honors until January 2011, Leonardo da Vinci.

And for good reason: the genius of the Renaissance had been tasked by Francis I to make Romorantin the capital of France. A draft plan included a Royal Castle and a whole water and river system which connected the Atlantic to the Mediterranean. Finally, Leonardo went to Romorantin only once on 17 January 1517, but until his death in 1519, he worked on this majestic project.



On the occasion of the exhibition devoted to Leonardo (Romorantin: Museum of the Sologne and space Matra, Chambord and Amboise), **Italy is the country invited** to these Gastronomic Days of Sologne. This food and wine fair is very famous in France, complete with the presence of heads of high quality: this year, Bernard Vaussion and William Gomez, chefs of the Presidency of the Republic.

Focus In will partner news of this initiative with a stand and a record of 6-8 pages in the next issue. In Focus wishes to associate with this initiative, all the Franco-Italian associations in the Center region, from Orléans to Bourges through Tours, Blois and Angers.

Our Association, based now in the Region Centre, has been invited and we have responded in the affirmative for the weekend of 30 October!

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Evolution of our web site

A new version of our search engine has been uploaded. It incorporates all of the data files currently on our site and that were not easy to use.

- The miscellaneous documents, collected from of you these past years, which were available in the form of lists, have been imported into our database.
- The maritime registers of Toulon will also soon be imported. This will make it much easier for you to search through them and order documents.

Many small fixes and improvements have also been made to our application.

The new indexes available

Below the list of registers that were added or updated into our database:

Archive	Registers
Procida	D06 (verified by Jean-Marie DUFOUR)
Comune di Procida	M61 à M70 (Marc LOROTTE)
Forio San Sebastiano	D02 (Marie-Lyse GROS) D05 (Jean-Pierre FLORIO)
Ischia San Vito	B16, B11*, M07*, M08* et D06* (*verified by Jean-Pierre FERRARI)
Comune di Ventotene	Various tables (1812 - 1931) scanned by Christiane PARIS
Comune di Barano	Birth record tables (letter T from 1809 to 1898 only) scanned by Philippe TALIERCIO
Miscellaneous Documents	All documents collected since 2004 have been imported

Thank you to the volunteers!

The parish archives in Tunisia

To look for your ancestors in Tunisia, here is a very interesting web site that lists marriages and deaths from the parish archives of this country: http://filfola.fr/mariagestunisie/intro.html

Ventotene

I discovered the island of VENTOTENE in May 2007 during a journey in family in the region of Naples, to the research of my paternal Italian roots.

Big emotion, because it is from there, that my grandparents Luigi Antonio BRISCO and Maria Salette Anna MANZO left for Algeria at the end of the 19th century.



I was able to consult the archives at the town hall. I took some photos of a few lists of registers, the time being counted me, to deepen this information thereafter. At the parish Santa Candida, the priest Don Vincenzo, very welcoming, showed me the parochial registers, and I was able to go back in time until 1773 for the side of my MANZO grandmother.

C'est à cette époque que VENTOTENE fut peuplée, par des habitants venus de toute la région de Naples, et notamment d'Ischia et Torre del Greco. Le tout premier registre des âmes est très intéressant car il est noté pour chaque arrivant, son état civil, son âge, sa situation familiale, la composition de la famille, et aussi sa provenance.

During this period, VENTOTENE was populated by inhabitants that came from the whole region of Naples, and mainly from Ischia and Torre del Greco. The very first register of souls is very interesting because it is noted for every newcomer, his/her civil state, his/her age, his/her domestic situation, the family's composition, and as his/her town of origin.

Unfortunately, I did not find any trace of any other BRISCO except my grandfather, nor of Colomba VITIELLO, my great grandmother, on this island of which my father spoke so much in my youth, without knowing it.

Would I know one day where my grandfather came from? I would like to know their journey, discover their life, because their history is also mine. I know that patience is all researchers' share.

Christiane PARIS née BRISCO

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In the press

Vous trouverez sur notre site un article sur Vincent SCOTTO, le célèbre compositeur, paru dans le dernier ProcidaOggi cet été.

You will find on our web site an article on Vincent Scotto, the famous composer, published in the last ProcidaOggi this summer.



Vincent SCOTTO (d'ANIELLO) was the son of a couple of procidiens settled in Marseille. As you know, he has written numerous music and songs for most major French artists.

Further information on our web site in the section "Documentation", a publication dating from February 2005 prepared by Gaby LUBRANO LAVADERA and Jean-Marie DUFOUR.

Note on the French 75 years Law

The CNIL maintains the period of 100 years for the consultation of archives online.

Following the Act of 2008 on archives, genealogists can refer to in reading rooms records of birth and marriage older than 75 years, so on the Internet is limited to records of over a hundred years minimum.

Jean-Marie DUFOUR

An apartment in Procida?

Many apartments are sold each year in Procida.

If you are interested in acquiring a property where your ancestors have lived and where they have left their footprints...

Please contact us, Great Family can be your new middleman.

Flights to Naples

I have been informed by the company **Trawelfly** of the existence of a new flight direct between Paris and Naples. More information on their web site: http://www.trawelfly.com

Also, you will find now a direct flight Geneva -Naples available from **Easyjet**. More information on their web site:

http://www.easyjet.com

Reminder: change of address

Our new postal address from the month of June is:

La Grande Famille de Procida & Ischia 13, rue de la Garelière 41100 Villiers-sur-Loir France

Please note for your future communications.

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