

# LA GRANDE FAMILLE DE PROCIDA & ISCHIA Newsletter #68 – April 2015

## Our 6th General Meeting

Our next General Meeting will be held in Saint-Mandriersur-Mer (South of France) on the week-end of  $10^{th}$  and  $11^{th}$  October 2015.



Today we have already received **70 confirmed registrations**.

However we expect to reach a hundred before October!

Please do let us know quickly if you wish to attend the event. Logistics need to be organized behind the scene.

You will find at the "News | Events" section of our web site the update of the provisory program of this week-end.

The **conferences** will be in French and include:

- Our ancestors fishermen of coral
- The sailors who died at sea during WW1
- An interesting research in the censuses of Procida
- Presentation of the book "Procida Signs, stories and dreams of a seafaring island" written by Elisabetta Montaldo

The Association will also hold a **stand** and sell products such as: books, postcards, stamps and more, including the new book released on Procida by Elisabetta MONTALDO, translated in French and English in March 2015. I had the privilege to write the preface of the French edition ©

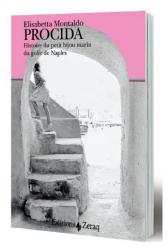
Thank you in advance for your participation.

# **Pascal SCOTTO DI VETTIMO**

Reminder: Only members who have renewed their annual fee in 2015 will be able to vote at the General Meeting. An official convocation will be send to everyone in June. Of course, spouses and family are also welcomed (according to seat availability).

# Procida - Signs, stories and dreams of a seafaring island

by Elisabetta MONTALDO



The **French** and **English** version of this excellent guide of 128 pages on Procida (serious, precise and well-illustrated) will be available in retail this summer.

Exclusively for our members, thanks to a partnership with the Zeraq Editions, we will have it in stock **from May**, as soon as it goes out of printing.

A history of Procida, strategic crossroad in Mediterranean for three millennia, and at the same time a precious guide to discover today's island and its, often hidden, treasures.

In the volume, richly illustrated even with rare vintage photos, all the stages of the development of the island are retraced, the presence of the different people that have landed there and the signs they have left and that can be still admired today.

**RESERVE** your copy right now by writing today to info@procida-family.com.

Price is 22 Euros, including packing and postage.

## La Grande Famille de Procida & Ischia

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#### Evolution of our web site

More work has been carried out in March to improve our web site. Much of this is not visible to you because it affects mainly the well-functioning of the site and administration tasks.

However, several problems were corrected such as:

- The display of family names ("Cousins" section)
- In the "Hello" menu, the date of last visit to the "Messages" section
- Sharing the public messages with Internet users
- The sorting of the basket and passed orders
- Various display issues with some screens

To be continued...

# When Thomas SCOTTO visits the school of Villiers-sur-Loir...

Quelle merveilleuse coïncidence que ce 22 janvier 2015 où un certain Thomas SCOTTO, écrivain pour les enfants, suivant son petit bonhomme de chemin à travers la France, s'arrêta à l'école de Villiers-sur-Loir pour une journée de contes et ateliers avec les enfants!



Mais ce que personne ne se doutait alors est que Thomas SCOTTO n'était pas un SCOTTO tout court, mais un SCOTTO DI VETTIMO et qu'il allait passer la journée en compagnie de mes deux filles Livia et Chiara!!

L'autre fait exceptionnel est qu'en avril 2007 je l'avais moimême accueilli avec sa famille à Procida (dont sa sœur Julie qui est membre de l'Association). Ils avaient découvert une partie de l'île avec moi et à l'époque c'était moi qui racontais mes histoires sur Procida, l'Association et les origines de la famille SCOTTO DI VETTIMO ©

Quel plaisir et quel joie de revoir Thomas par hasard chez moi, dans mon village, sans planification. Encore un nouveau coup du destin...

#### Pascal SCOTTO DI VETTIMO

#### New indexes available

Please find below the list of new and updated indexes that have been imported in our database:

Archive	Registers
PROCIDA Abbazia San Michele Arcangelo	<b>D12</b> – The page of the index with first names starting with the letter E were forgotten during indexing.
PROCIDA Comune	N64 (René BARONE)
CASAMICCIOLA Santa Maria Maddalena	M01 (Hubert BLAZEJEWSKI) S02, S04, S06 (Carole GENZANO) D04 (Jean-Pierre FERRARI)
FORIO San Sebastiano	S03 (Carole GENZANO)
ALGERIE Archives Maritimes	31 indexes for Arzew, Bône, Bougie, Cherchell, Dellys, Djidjelli, La Calle, Mostaganem, Nemours, Philippeville, Ténès (Henri SCOTTO DI VETTIMO)

#### Our projects with FamilySearch

At the end of March, we received the results of our indexing work carried out with FamilySearch, including the full database of births, marriages and death records for the towns of Serrara Fontana and Barano d'Ischia.

The next step is not the most complicated on to realize. However it requires a lot of time and availability to implement a number of programmatic tasks for converting and split these databases in the required format and number of files, to be able to import them in our web database.

Then you will be able to search through this data and obtain the direct link to the image of the record on FamilySearch's web site, made visible on our web site!

Thank you for your patience.

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