



LA GRANDE FAMILLE DE PROCIDA & ISCHIA Newsletter #57 – February 2013

5th General Meeting in 2013 10th anniversary of our Association

Our 5th General Meeting will take place on 5th May 2013 in Procida.

Here are some figures about our event:

- 60 members will be attending the General Meeting
- Around 120 people expected on 5th May
- 92 participants for the sea excursion on 6th May
- 78 participants for the excursion in Naples on 7th May

Please find attached with this newsletter, the official convocation to our General Meeting and the proxy form for those who wish to vote and be represented.



Terra Murata, Procida (photo René BARONE)
Excursion of 11 Sept. 2005 – 1st General Meeting

As announced previously, this General Meeting will be a very special event for us all!

- We will welcome for the first time 4 American members, i.e. 9 people, including Frank SCOTTO (di Gregorio), Mayor of Torrance (California) who will make his first visit to Procida and honors us.
- The General meeting will have to be bilingual (French and English)
- We will commemorate our 10th Anniversary! with a multitude of projects completed and much more to come...
- We will inaugurate a plaque in Procida to the memory of Vincent CAPODANNO, senior and junior, the first one went to New-York and the second, his son, priest within the Marines died in Viet-Nam in 1967 helping and caring for his fellow men. www.vincentcapodanno.org

Here is a reminder of the whole program:

- 5 May: General Meeting in PROCIDA and commemoration of Vincent Capodanno.
- 6 May: See trip around the islands of PROCIDA and ISCHIA; lunch in Sant'Angelo.
- 7 May: Visit of the "ruota" of the Annunziata and NAPLES underground.

Also, consecutively to our event:

- 8 May: Procession of Saint-Michael Archangel in PROCIDA.

The detailed program will be sent to you in April at the latest.

Pascal SCOTTO DI VETTIMO

Improvements for our web site

Since we launched the new interface, I have received many positive comments ☺ thank you. It was not a simple et trouble free operation to perform.

Next, we never stopped working in bug fixes and improvements... Several updates were deployed over the past month, nearly once a week!

The last and current version (5.1) has been uploaded on 30th January with a major bug fix for the "erroneous basket", a very random issue that were affecting us for months, without never being able understand or reproduce it. However, we finally managed to track it and get it ☺! The issue is not fixed and we will be monitoring the system for several weeks to make sure.

Please note also that a new version of the user's guide has been made available. You may download it from the "Help" menu.

This guide is now available in English (as well as French). An Italian version will follow later...

Many more improvements and fixes are planned to continue to optimize the system's interface and features.

To be continued...

La Grande Famille de Procida & Ischia

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New indexes available on our Web site

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

Archive	Registers
FORIO San Vito Martire	B05 (Jean-Pierre FERRARI)
LACCO AMENO Santa Maria delle Grazie	D07, D08, D09, B07, B11 (Carole GENZANO) D02 (Jean-Pierre FLORIO)
PANZA San Leonardo	B03 (Sylviane MORIAU) B04 (Marie-Lyse GROS)
PONZA Santo Silverio	B01, B04 (Carole GENZANO)
BUONOPANE San Giovanni Battista	B03 (Colette GAUTIER) M04 (Rosemarie LONGOBARDO)
PAIMPOL Maritimes Archives	The complete list of registers has been imported.

Our projects with FamilySearch

See below how our indexation projects in collaboration with FamilySearch are progressing.

Project completed:

- SERRARA FONTANA part 1 (1841-1880): this database is online on our web site since 2012. Each record has the http link to the corresponding image on FamilySearch web site.
- MONTE DI PROCIDA (1817-1929): this second project (more than 9000 images) has been completed in January 2013 ©. In a few month time, we will obtain a full copy of the database we created in order to import it in our web site.

Ongoing projects:

- BARANO (1809-1929)
- SERRARA FONTANA part 2 (1809-1929)

Your help is essential and much welcome to progress with these indexing projects. It can be noted that if you are able to read a parish record, than indexing on FamilySearch will be very easy as records are recent and pre-formed.

See below the current statistics for those projects.

Thank you for your help and support.

Pascal SCOTTO DI VETTIMO

The genealogy in the United States

As you surely know it better than me, the 20th century saw a very important wave of Italian migrants reaching the United States.

The first and necessary step, when looking for your ancestors migrating to the USA, is to visit the site of Ellis Island where they were recorded when entering legally the country: www.ellisland.org.

Today, many American people are wanting to understand their past, recent or not, asking themselves when their family arrived on the continent and where they came from. The American site "Cyndi's List" references a multitude of links to genealogy sites from all over the world:



www.cyndislist.com

Our Association is also listed on this site thanks to Lisa SCHUMACHER, President of the Californian association "South Bay Cities Genealogical Society" with whom we have collaborated in 2012:

www.cyndislist.com/italy/locality/?page=2

Lisa is also a member of our Association and we will have the pleasure to meet her in Procida on the 5th May for our General Meeting.

South Bay Cities Genealogical Society
www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~casbcgs/

National Archives
www.archives.gov

ISCHIA – the 100 churches' island

I recommend this interesting site if you are looking for more information on the various churches in Ischia (location and photos). <http://ischia.org/chiesa/>



Church of Santa Maria del Soccorso, Forio d'Ischia
By Jacquie GÜELL - 2012

Project	Total Images	# of Batches	Images A	Percent A	Images B	Percent B	Images Arb	Percent Arb
Monte di Procida 1817-1929 [COMPLETED]	9 268	2 416	9 268	100%	9 268	100%	9 268	100%
Serrara Fontana 1809-1929 (part. 2)	4 484	1 125	332	7,40%	260	5,80%	196	4,37%
Barano 1809-1929	17 436	4 377	2 258	12,95%	2 048	11,75%	816	4,68%

Data updated on 30 January 2013.

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