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Alexandro's 250th Birthday Party!

In Mulazzo, Italy, the Centro di Studi Malaspiniani will celebrate Alexandro Malaspina's 250th centenary with a meeting of scholars and enthusiasts September 3-5.

The event, aimed at setting the direction of international Malaspina research for the next ten years, is organized by Centro director Dario Manfredi, seen here with John Black and interpreter Joy McWhirter during an earlier visit.

The AMRC will be represented at the event by John Black and Russell McNeil. There will be an opportunity to discuss too the collaborative research project, related to Malaspina's philosophical *Essay on Beauty*, which the Canadian and Italian centres are just about to undertake. (See next Newsletter for details.)



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AMRC Launches Newsgroup

To facilitate the exchange of ideas between people interested in the life and works of navigators like Malaspina, the Centre has created a new electronic newsgroup at: <news://nntp.mala.bc.ca/mala.amrc>.

Research and publishing notes received previously have been posted on the newsgroup, and you are invited to add your comments, queries and further news items as they arise.

By using the "Reply Group" feature of your newsreader software, you can place your

contribution in the sublisting below the posting on which it comments, or to which it is related. This allows other visitors to follow the thread of a discussion in a straightforward way.

The newsgroup is accessible from the homepage of the AMRC website. Having visited it once, you can subscribe to or register in the group so that it will be directly accessible from your newsreader in the future.

Please feel free to join the discussion!

AMRC Website: web.mala.bc.ca/black/amrc/index.htm