
Services

Research Collection: The society's collection of British Isles research materials is housed at the Los Angeles FamilySearch Library. BIFHS-USA seeks to acquire materials to future enhance the collection.

Surname Registration: The society maintains a surname register listing members' interests (names, places and dates of people researched) and submitters' contact information. Updates are published in the journal; the cumulative list is published on the society's website.

Society Affiliations: BIFHS-USA is a member of the Federation of Family History Societies ("FFHS"), the Council of Irish Genealogical Organizations ("CIGO"), the Federation of Genealogical Societies ("FGS"), and the National Genealogical Society ("NGS"). News and articles from their journals and newsletter are reviewed to keep our members up to date. The society encourages participation at FGS and other major conferences.

Speakers: BIFHS-USA can provide knowledgeable speakers to lecture to other societies on various aspects of British, Irish, and Colonial American research.



BIFHS-USA and the Los Angeles FamilySearch Library have a large collection of British Isles research materials. The following is a selected list of records available at the library many donated by BIFHS-USA.

ENGLAND and WALES

Complete 1841-1861, 1891 Censuses
1871 Census (partial)
1881 Census Transcript and Index
Indexes to Civil Registration 1837-1983
Probate Calendar 1658-1901
Indexes to Wills 1383-1857 in the PCC and PCY
Indexes to Death Duty Registers
Bank of England Will Extracts and Index
Indexes to Naturalizations Records 1509-1924
Land Tax Assessments of 1798
Royal Hospital (Chelsea, London) Pension Records
Military Records of Disbanded Regiments
Apprentice Books of Great Britain
National Inventory of Documentary Sources

SCOTLAND

Complete 1841-1871 Censuses
1881 Census Transcript and Index
Partial 1891 Census
Indexes to Civil Registrations 1855-1955
Index to Old Parochial Registers of Scotland
Indexes to Register of Deeds 1661-1696 and 1770-1851
Indexes to General and Particular Registers of Sasines
Indexes and Abridgements of Sasines 1781-1868
Indexes to Testaments to 1823
Index to Inventories of the Personal Estates of Defuncts
Calendar of Confirmations and Inventories 1876-1936
Indexes to services of Heirs 1530-1929

IRELAND

Indexes to Civil Registrations 1845-1958
Householders Index
Tithe Applotments and Griffith's Primary Valuation
Indexes to Wills in National Archives and PRONI
Indexes to Wills in the PCA and Diocesan courts
Probate Calendar 1858-1917
Register of Deeds (Surname index to 1901, Place Name Index to 1849, and Deeds to 1847)
Old Age Pension claims
Genealogical Manuscripts Collection from the Genealogy Office, Dublin Castle
Royal Irish Constabulary Records
Tenison Groves Collection
Richard J. Hays, Manuscript Sources for the History of Irish Civilization

(It is recommended to confirm online with the Family History Library Catalog that the record you seek is at the Los Angeles Family History Library since some holdings listed above are not complete although most are nearly complete.)



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Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip+4: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Email: _____

____ *Please do not publish this information.*

If a BIFHS-USA member invited you to join,
who was it? _____

Surnames & Areas of Research:

Type of Membership (check one):

1 year, individual membership \$35

1 year, family membership \$40

3 years, individual membership .. \$100

3 years, family membership \$115

Life membership - individual \$350

Life membership - family \$400

Canada, add \$5: overseas, add \$10

Please mail application and check or money
order in \$US payable to BIFHS-USA to:

British Isles Family History Society - U.S.A.
9854 National Blvd., #304
Los Angeles, CA 90034-2713

About the Society

The British Isles Family History Society -
U.S.A., a non-profit educational
organization, was founded in 1988. Its
purposes are to:

- Promote and encourage interest in family history, particularly relating to ancestry in England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man;
- Encourage and educate society members and the general public in British Isles family history through publications, lectures, consultations, etc.;
- Facilitate the acquisition and exchange of family history research information; and
- Maintain a collection of British Isles family history materials for research use.

Renewable annual **membership** is open to any individual, family, or institution interested in promoting the purposes of the society. Three years and life memberships (individual and family) are also available.

Meetings, classes, and the society's research collection are located at:

Los Angeles FamilySearch Library
10741 Santa Monica Blvd.
Los Angeles, California
Phone: (310) 474-9990

BIFHS-USA Mailing Address:

British Isles Family History Society - U.S.A.
9854 National Blvd., #304
Los Angeles, CA 90034-2713

Education

Monthly Meetings: Monthly meetings featuring guest lecturers, study group workshops, and the opportunity to do personal research are held at the Los Angeles FamilySearch Library on the fourth Sunday, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., except December and possibly the seminar month. Members and non-members are welcome.

Study Groups: English, Irish, Scottish, Welsh, and Colonial Connections Study Group leader hold periodic workshops focusing on research and history. Participants are encouraged to share knowledge, problems, and materials.

Seminar: An annual family history seminar features speakers highly respected in the field of British or Irish research.

Website: www.bifhsusa.org - The BIFHS-USA website features a study guide, lists of links, surname register, newsletter archive, and other educational materials.

Newsletter: Six bimonthly newsletters may contain a calendar of local, national, and international events; information about our programs and seminars; society news; brief book reviews; and the latest research tips.

Journal: Published twice each year, *BIFHS-USA JOURNAL* contains informative articles on connecting your immigrant ancestor to the British Isles; English, Irish, Scottish, and Welsh research sources and record repositories; book reviews; and member queries. The journal is exchanged with societies worldwide.