



British Isles Family History Society – U.S.A.

NEWSLETTER

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Meetings and Study Groups

Unless otherwise specified, BIFHS–USA meetings are held at the Los Angeles Regional Family History Center, 10741 Santa Monica Blvd. (enter from Eastborne Ave. at Manning), Los Angeles, CA 90025; (310) 474-9990. There is plenty of free parking. All meetings and workshops are offered free of charge and are open to the public.

SUNDAY, 25 January 2009

GENERAL MEETING (1:00–3:00 PM) Using Google for Your Genealogy

Gena Philibert Ortega will explain Google Books, Picasa, Google Docs, Google Maps and other Google resources that will help you with your genealogy.

Gena Philibert Ortega is a professional genealogist who writes articles for the online newsletter, *Genweekly*, published by *Genealogy Today*. She is also the author of the book, *Cemeteries of the Eastern Sierra*, published by Arcadia Publishing (2007).

COLONIAL AMERICAN STUDY GROUP (3:30–5:00 PM)

Cleaning Up the Mess: Finding What is Right on Your Colonial Ancestors

Nancy Ellen Carlberg will share her wisdom.

SUNDAY, 22 February 2009

GENERAL MEETING (1:00–3:00 PM) Appalachian Ancestors: Their Lives, Legends and Lyrics

Jean Wilcox Hibben will explore the richness of the Appalachian culture. She will tell us historic stories, ghost tales and perform the “music of the hills” much of which originated in the British Isles. The stories the Appalachian people told and the songs they sang were not only entertainment but also a way to teach their children lessons of life and the world.

Jean Wilcox Hibben is a board-certified genealogist and has researched for over thirty years. She is the Membership and Meeting Coordinator for the Riverside Folk Song Society. She volunteers at the Corona California Family History Center where she trains family history consultants.

STUDY GROUP (3:30–4:30 PM) To be Announced

Questions? Please contact a board member (email addresses on back page).

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President's Message

At this time of year it is traditional to look to the future, but first we have to take a look to the past as we say goodbye to three Board members. After three years as 1st Vice-President (Programs), Annie Lloyd is retiring, and I thank her for all the good work she has done organizing our programs and study groups. In addition, Nancy Bier, one of the co-founders of the Society, having moved to Texas is no longer able to help us in the way that she did, and Jill Kirby has, after six year's service, reached her "term limit" as a member-at-large. We thank all of these people for their invaluable assistance. And now looking forward, we welcome Fay Herbert and Gerrienne Williams as new members of the Board. Nancy Carlberg remains, but in a new capacity: 1st Vice President (Programs); and Jim McNamara has been re-elected as a Member at Large. A complete list of officers is on the back page.

Our annual "Show-and-Tell" and potluck meeting in November was a resounding success — lots of interesting stories and plenty of great food! I, personally, always find it of great interest to discover what our members have found from their research. We're grateful to President McBride for arranging to have some of the library tables cleared so that we could eat in the Library — and many thanks to all who contributed to the feast. Thanks, too, to those who helped to set up, decorate, and clear the tables, particularly, Irene Britz, Dolores Andersen, Fran Smith, and Kay Devonshire; also, Sharon Pyrdeck, who donated the poinsettias used for decorations and door prizes. I hope the rest of the holiday season was equally enjoyable for everyone.

Looking to the future, the Board will continue in its efforts to run the Society for the benefit of the membership, but remember that this is your Society, too; we also need your input. If you have any issues that you wish brought up, please contact any member of the Board.

Happy New Year!

Ivan C. Johnson
president@bifhsusa.org

Co-Editors' Message

Bliadhna mhath ur! Happy New Year!

We would like to thank all the individuals who provided information or assisted with the preparation of this issue: Kathleen Smith, Vieve Metcalfe, Gail Said Johnson, Ivan Johnson, Nancy Ellen Carlberg, Terry McVeigh, Annie Lloyd, Terry Brown and Jessie Tait.

This month's quiz question: Who was Owain ap Marededd ap Tudur?

Fran Smith and Lydia Davis Jeffrey
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In Memoriam Dorothy Losee (1924-2008)

As those of you who attended our November meeting will have heard, Dorothy Losee passed away on 16 November in Windsor, California, and was interred at Forest Lawn in Glendale. She was born on 27 June 1924 in Los Angeles where she lived until 2005 when she moved to Windsor to be close to her family. A graduate of UCLA, Dorothy spent most of her career as a business teacher at Venice High School.

Dorothy had a lifelong interest in genealogy and was a long-time member of BIFHS–USA. She spent many years on the Board of Directors, much of that time as the treasurer.



Member's Contributions

New Church of England Fees

The Archbishops' Council of the Church of England has announced a new set of parochial fees that will come into effect on 1 January 2009. These fees include the cost for searching in registers or other historic books held by a parish church. The fees are as follows:

For the first hour (inclusive of one copy of an entry in certain registers) £19.00

For each subsequent hour or part of an hour £16.00

Additional copies of entries £19.00

These fees, of course, only apply to the registers that are still held in the parish church. Most registers of historical interest have been deposited at County Record Offices and are open to the public free of charge.

Thank you to Ivan Johnson.

Naming Patterns: <http://www.migenweb.net/namepatt.htm>

This will be useful if you have misplaced your notes about naming patterns.

Recent History: <http://www.paperlessarchives.com/category.html>

This website is technically not a genealogical site. It sells CD-ROMs of materials from Presidential Libraries and various United States governmental agencies including the FBI, CIA and others. One CD-ROM has issues of *Stars and Stripes* that were published during World War I. Information about your ancestor who served in the Great War might be on this CD-ROM. Another CD-ROM has World War II narratives of United States officers. Genealogy resources can be found everywhere.

Thank you to Kathleen Smith for the two items above.

Welcome to Brand New Board Members

Fay Herbert and Gerrienne Williams



Irish Resources and Information

Glasnevin Cemetery: <http://www.glasnevin-cemetery.ie/>

Glasnevin Cemetery of Dublin is the largest cemetery in Ireland. It was opened in 1832 for burials of Roman Catholics. The cemetery was originally called Prospect Cemetery. Monsignor Yore consecrated the original nine acres of land in September 1831. In February 1832, Michael Carey was the first to be buried at the cemetery. Glasnevin Cemetery is now over 120 acres and has about 1.2 million people interred there. It is currently undergoing a ten-year restoration which should be completed in time for the centennial anniversary of the 1916 Easter Rising.

Free Irish Genealogical Pages: <http://www.ulsterancestry.com/forums/>

Ulster Ancestry is providing much genealogical information free. Notice the word "free." A sample of some of the materials include Ulster maps, deported convicts and vagabonds between 1737-43, Belfast spirit dealers in 1860, a partial agricultural census of North Antrim in 1803, flax growers bounty list for County Donegal in 1796, civil survey records for the Barony of Enishowen in County Donegal for 1654, along with records from muster rolls, censuses, emigrant lists, marriages, gravestone inscriptions, war memorials and passenger lists. This is just a small sample. There is much more in the two hundred different pages.



Thank you to Terry McVeigh for this information.

County Mayo and Cleveland: <http://www.bernieworld.net>

Many of Bernie McCafferty's Irish ancestors were from the area near Clew Bay, County Mayo, Ireland and emigrated to Cleveland, Ohio. His family names include Gill, Garvey, Stanton, McLoughlin, McCafferty and Moran. You will want to check his website if your ancestors are from County Mayo or settled in Cleveland.

Irish Abroad: <http://www.irishabroad.com/irish-roots>



This website contains many resources for Irish genealogical research. Irish Abroad is an online community of more than 240,000 individuals.

Thank you to Kathleen Smith for the two websites above.

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Irish Resources: <http://www.familyrelatives.com>

We reported about the Familyrelatives.com website in the November/December BIFHS–USA Newsletter. It is worth repeating. Ten million Irish records are being added to the website. Some of the newly added records include Irish Genealogical Guide and Abstracts of Irish Wills for the period from 1445 to 1834, Quaker Records of Abstracts of Wills for Dublin, The Royal School in Armagh, Return of Owners Land in Ireland 1876, MacDonald's Trade Directory 1927 (counties of Antrim, Tipperary, Armagh, Belfast, Londonderry and Kerry), Irish Passenger Lists 1846-1851, and Index to Prerogative Wills of Ireland 1536 – 1810. Searches are free, but an individual must subscribe to the service to obtain details concerning the search. Familyrelative.com has information about other countries, some of which is free.

Thank you to Kathleen Smith.

Irish Soldier of the Great War: http://www.eneclann.ie/acatalog/New_Releases.html

A CD-ROM, entitled "*World War1 Irish Soldiers, Their Final Testament,*" has been released for purchase by Eneclann, an e-publisher of historical information. It is an index to more than 9,000 wills of Irish soldiers who died 1914-1918.

Canada

Library and Archives of Canada:

<http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/passengers-quebec-1865-1900/index-e.html> and
<http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/immigrants-canada/index-e.html>

The last addition of this newsletter listed many databases that are available online free of charge at the website for the Library and Archives of Canada. Additional materials have been added, such as the Quebec City Passenger List Index 1865-1900 and the Immigrants to Canada list.

Volunteers Needed by FamilySearch for Canadian censuses

Family Search International is seeking volunteers to help index the 1861, 1871 and 1916 Canadian censuses. The completed indexes will be available for free at www.familysearch.org. The first census to be indexed will be the 1916 census and they could use your help. You may volunteer to index for them at www.familysearchindexing.org.

As noted by the familysearch.org press release, at least two famous Canadians are listed in the 1916 census: the four-year-old Arthur Gordon Kelly, later known as Art Linkletter, and nine-year-old Elvina Fay Wray, the future actress Fay Wray who would appear as the damsel in distress in the 1933 film, *King Kong*.

Brooklyn (New York) Genealogy Information Page:

<http://www.bklyn-genealogy-info.com/Map/Maps.Main.html>

Check out the Maps section on this site, not just for Brooklyn, but also other areas of New York City. Most maps are very easy to see online, but can be purchased for the cost of copying and mailing. (Scroll to bottom of the web page for purchasing information.)



Annie's Hints

New York Gravestones: <http://newyorkgravestones.org/>

The New York Gravestone Photo Project is requesting digital images of our New York ancestors' gravestones. The images are being archived so that the inscriptions will always be available. Everyone has seen a gravestone whose inscription has worn away long ago. It would be wonderful if you would submit the digital photograph of your immigrant ancestor grave that you took last year when you visited Buffalo. You may also view the 21,000 plus photograph searching by either name or cemetery.

Coins of England and Great Britain: <http://www.tclayton.demon.co.uk/coins.html>

Tony Clayton has compiled a wonderful website about coins used in England and Great Britain since before the Norman Conquest. You can find information about the history and value of coins, along with pictures. See what the Maundy Penny looked like. Your third great grandfather may have used it in 1815.

Welsh Road Signs: Annie submitted an article from the 8 November 2008 issue of *British Weekly*, reporting on the installation of a dual language roadside sign in Swansea, southern Wales. The English portion of the sign announced to drivers that the road ahead was not suitable for heavy trucks. The part of the sign written in Welsh, the language of bards, proclaimed, "Nid wyf yn y swyddfa ar hyn o bryd. Anfonwch unrhyw waith i'w gyfieithu," or "I am not in the office at the moment. Please send any work to be translated." The Swansea Council reported that the latter statement was not the message originally intended and therefore the sign was scheduled for removal.



Geography Lesson: www.yourchildlearns.com/

Annie writes, "Some of us have problems with geography. There was a poll taken not long ago and about 75% of the people in the USA did not know where Utah was located. Now, I figure that most genealogists certainly know where Utah is, but how many of you can list every single state in the USA plus their capitals? How many can do that for Europe or anywhere else in the world?"

"There's a website out there called "Owl and Mouse" and it's for children, but darn it, some of us adults sure could use it. The website is given above. It has some map puzzles of the USA, Europe, Asia, China and South America—every area of the world. The puzzles are fun and they teach you geography. You might be interested."

Guildhall Library: <http://www.history.ac.uk/gh/refurb.htm>

The Manuscripts Section of Guildhall Library, London will be closed for an anticipated six months, as of March 2009, while Guildhall Library is renovated. Some materials of the Manuscripts Section will be available at the London Metropolitan Archives during the refurbishments. Other materials will need to be ordered 48 hours in advance.

National Library of Wales: <http://www.llgc.org.uk/>

The National Library of Wales is closing on Saturday, beginning 1 April 2009, because of financial pressures. It will remain open Monday through Friday.

Thank you, Annie!

History Lesson:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/wales/history/sites/themes/periods/tudors_01.shtml

http://www.bbc.co.uk/wales/history/sites/themes/periods/tudors_02.shtml

http://www.bbc.co.uk/wales/history/sites/themes/periods/tudors_03.shtml

Owain ap Marededd ap Tudur, whose name would be anglicized to Owen Tudor, married Catherine of Valois the widow (dowager queen) of Henry V, King of England, Wales and Ireland. Henry VI, the son of Henry V and Catherine of Valois, was a child at the time of his father's death. Owen Tudor and Catherine of Valois had four children including three sons, Jasper, Owen and Edmund. Owen Tudor, the elder, and his sons were imprisoned after the death of Catherine of Valois. King Henry VI when he reached adulthood pardoned his step-father and was kind to his step-brothers. Edmund Tudor married Margaret Beaufort. Their son Henry became Henry VII, King of England, Wales and Ireland in 1485. Henry VII was the father of Henry VIII and grandfather to Mary I, Elizabeth I and Edward VI.

Manchester, England Jewish Records: <http://www.thejc.com/node/7839>

The Manchester Council of Synagogues and the city's Jewish genealogical society will place online many Jewish genealogical records. Individuals will be able to view the records with a pay-as-you-view system. It is hoped that within five years 28,000 burial records will be digitized. Recently, 300 records of the closed Prestwich cemetery were digitized.

Berkshire Record Office: <http://www.berkshirerecordoffice.org.uk/familyhistory/sources.htm> and http://www.bbc.co.uk/berkshire/content/articles/2008/11/20/broadmoor_feature.shtml

The archives of Broadmoor, a mental asylum, are now available for public viewing at the Berkshire Records Office, 9 Coley Ave., Reading, Berkshire, United Kingdom, RG1 6AF. Former residents of Broadmoor included a Jack the Ripper suspect and a would-be-assassin of Queen Victoria. The records are not available online. You must visit the record office. Other information found at the Berkshire Record Office includes parish registers, non-parochial registers, census returns, probate records, workhouse and school records, tithe maps and appointments, poll books, electoral registers, directories and maps. If you get to the Berkshire Record Office, send us a postcard!

Non-Conformist Records: <http://www.bmdregisters.co.uk/>

Non-conformist birth, baptism, marriage, death and burial records can be viewed for a fee at the website given above. Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter reported on 3 December 2008 that 600,000 additional records including non-parish sources such as the British Lying-in Hospital, offering records from 1749-1868, had been added to the website.

Share your knowledge of resources with other BIFHS–USA members

If you find a useful website or other resource, send the information to newsletter@bifhsusa.org.

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British Military Records: <http://www.familyrelatives.com>

A new military collection has been released online by Familyrelatives.com. There is no cost to search the records, and they may be viewed for a fee. The new records include The Artists Rifles, which was formed in 1859, The Anzac (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps) Roll of Honour 1914 – 1918, Waterloo Roll Call, and Commissioned Sea Officers of the Royal Navy 1660-1815.

The Hospital for Sick Children at Great Ormond Street: <http://www.smallandspecial.org/>

The site provides a searchable database of admission records from 1852 to 1914 of England's first in-patient children's hospital. The results of a search by patient's name accesses the child's full name, age, the registration district in which he resided, the month and year admitted to the hospital, and the disease treated. Limited searching is allowed without registering, but registration is free and worth the trouble, as more information about the patient can be learned. Information about physicians and nurses at the hospital and childhood diseases are also contained on the site. Supplementing the database are scanned images of patients and medical personnel from fourteen volumes of case notes. According to the site, Charles Dickens raised funds for the hospital by giving public readings of his novels.

Discover My Past Scotland: <http://www.discovermypast.co.uk>

"Discover My Past Scotland" is an online monthly magazine about Scottish family history and heritage. You may subscribe at the website above. Featured in the magazine's second issue, which is available in January 2009, are articles on Aberdeen, Ayrshire, Gretna, peat cutting, Robert Burns and a social history on "fisher lassies."

Thank you to Ivan Johnson

British Naval History:

<http://www.genuki.org.uk/big/MilitaryHistory.html>

This website contains British naval and military history. It has several useful links. Len Barnett, who posted information about researching naval history, is also a London-based consultant whom Vieve Metcalfe recommends. She wrote, "Len tracked the naval and coastguard careers of several of my ancestors. He completed my research request in a timely manner, was good at communicating by e-mail, and provided well-documented reports." Mr. Barnett's email address is lenny@barnettresearch.freemove.co.uk.

Thank you to Vieve Metcalfe for her recommendation.

Nottinghamshire, by J. Charles Cox, book from county church series published in 1912:

<http://www.archive.org/details/nottinghamsh00coxuoft>

The Canadian Libraries website offers several facsimiles of out of print books, like the one listed above, that can be viewed in full text, PDF or flip book formats. The latter format is a virtual book in which the pages "flip," i.e., appear to turn like a real book. Both the PDF and flip book formats are composed of scans of the pages of the original book, rather than a typed transcription.

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Pennsylvania Scotch-Irish mailing list:

<http://lists.rootsweb.ancestry.com/index/other/Ethnic-Scots/SCOTCH-IRISH-IN-PA.html>

As noted in the 12 November 2008 *Rootsweb Review*, a regional mailing list dedicated to the Scotch-Irish in Pennsylvania was recently launched. See the above website to check it out or join.

University of London student records:

<http://www.shl.lon.ac.uk/specialcollections/archives/studentrecords.shtml>

Digitized copies of lists of students who attended the university between 1836 and 1937 are available at the above URL.

Grosse île, Canada:

http://www.pc.gc.ca/lhn-nhs/qc/grosseile/natcul/natcul1a_E.asp

http://www.pc.gc.ca/lhn-nhs/qc/grosseile/natcul/natcul1b_E.asp

http://www.pc.gc.ca/lhn-nhs/qc/grosseile/natcul/natcul1c_E.asp

<http://www.moytura.com/grosse-ile.htm>

The mainland of the European continent experienced a severe cholera epidemic from 1829 to 1837. The illness reached England in 1831 and 1832. Ships filled with Canadian timbers would leave Canada for Britain during this period of time. After the timbers were unloaded, the ships would return to Canada transporting people to the New World. Approximately 30,000 people were annually entering the Port of Québec by 1830. The website of the National Parks of Canada reports that over 50,000 entered in 1832, and many were sick with cholera. The colonial authorities set up a quarantine station on Grosse île, an island about 27 miles downstream from Québec. Two years later in 1834, another bad outbreak of cholera occurred. Misery returned to the quarantine station at Grosse île.

The horrendous famine would strike Ireland about a decade later. 1847 was a tragic year when over 90,000 individuals passed through the Port of Québec. The quarantine station on Grosse île was overwhelmed. Typhus was rampant. The official records report that the number of burials on Grosse île during 1847 was 5,424. The total number who died is unknown. Then winter came. More people would die when the bitter cold arrived. The Weather Channel's website <<http://www.weather.com>> indicates that the average daily temperature in Dublin during January is a high of about 46° Fahrenheit and a low of 37°. The January averages for Québec are a high of about 18° Fahrenheit and a low of zero degrees. Canada definitely has a much lower temperature.

By 1854 the famine had ended, but cholera returned. Illness was common on the island during the first twenty-two years, 1832-1854, an approximate generation. Grosse île's first generation was indeed filled with tragedy.

The Ancient Order of Hibernian placed a large Celtic cross on Grosse île in 1909 in memory of the people buried on the island. The English and the French inscription on the cross reads, "to the sacred memory of thousands of Irish who, in order to preserve their faith, suffered famine and exile, and, victims of typhus, ended their sorrowful pilgrimage here, comforted and strengthened by the Canadian Priests. Those who sow in tears reap in joy." The Gaelic reads, "Children of the Gael died in their thousands on this island having fled from the laws of the foreign tyrants and an artificial famine in the years 1847-48. God's loyal blessing upon them. Let this monument be a token to their name and honour from the Gaels of America. God Save Ireland."

Grosse île remained a quarantine station until 1937. It is now an Irish Memorial National Historic Site of Canada.

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A Message from Terry

Terry Brown sent us the following essay from Godfrey Memorial Library's Newsletter, Fall of 2007. He asked that we share it.

Genealogical Tithing?

My church had its annual canvass campaign this past spring which got me to thinking. The canvass chairperson asked us to think about what is important in our lives. Of course he was asking about church. Is it worth as much as you pay for cable TV each month? As much as coffee or cigarettes or booze? Is it also worth volunteering some time? Have you set a list of priorities in your life and put your money where your heart is?

Well, that got me to thinking. What is most important in MY life? I think it is genealogy research! I still pledged a healthy amount to my church, but also decided that I should pledge at least as much for supporting genealogy. Not just donations, but also things that I get something out of. Since I'm a member of the Maine Genealogical Society, I decided to also pay for chapter memberships in counties around the state where I have ancestors. Since I'm a Mayflower member, I paid to document more supplemental lines and also join some Mayflower family societies, and bought a Mayflower virtual passenger ticket. I subscribe to internet research sites. I buy books and CDs to help encourage the people and companies putting that research into print; those I decide I don't need, I donate to local genealogy libraries. I join Family Associations. I spend my time and money doing research to share with others, finding pieces of the family puzzles, and donate my manuscripts-in-progress to genealogy libraries. In return I find new cousins who often have more family information.

I encourage all genealogists and family historians to support what they love, and keep up their memberships in organizations that they especially want to stay in business with active research.

Tithing -- it's not just for church anymore.

-- Author's name withheld by request.

As noted in Godfrey's newsletter, "the article above may be reprinted without permission, though it would be nice to mention if you found it in another publication. Pass it on."

Answer to the Quiz Question

Who was Owain ap Marededd ap Tudur?. He was also know as Owen Tudor and was the great grandfather of the frequently married Henry VIII.

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Calendar of Events

25 January 2009: BIFHS–USA, General Meeting, 1:00 to 3:00 PM Gena Philibert Ortega will speak about "Using Google for Genealogy." and Study Group, 3:30 to 5:00 PM, Colonial American Study Group with Nancy Ellen Carlberg.

31 January 2009: United Scottish Society's Robbie Burns Celebration, Costa Mesa County Club, Costa Mesa, California, 6:15 PM. See <http://www.unitedscottishsociety.com/events.htm>

14 February 2009: 10th Annual Seminar of Genealogical Society of Riverside, "In Search of Family," includes several sessions dealing with British Isles or Colonial America research. Speakers will be Daniel Bartosz, Gene Cheney, Jean Wilcox Hibben, Karon Jarrard, Beth McCarty, Bud Miner, Gena Philibert Ortega, Caroline Rober and Marjorie Sholes. See <http://www.gsor.org/> or contact Kathy Stephens at (951) 657-6114.

14 & 15 February 2009: Queen Mary Scottish Festival, features pipe band, athletics and Scottish dance competitions along with clan booths, vendors and musicians. See <http://www.queenmary.com> or Special Events at Queen Mary at (562) 499-1650.

22 February 2009: BIFHS–USA, General Meeting, 1:00 to 3:00 PM, Jean Wilcox Hibben will be featured with "Appalachian Ancestors: Their Lives, Legends and Lyrics." Among the possessions our ancestors brought to this country was their music. This presentation explores the many well-known folksongs of the USA that were originally British or Irish. Study Group TBA, 3:30 to 4:30 PM.

7 March 2009: California Genealogical Society's Scots-Irish Seminar with Fintan Mullan and Dr. Brian Trainor. <http://www.calgensoc.org/> or Call (510) 663-1350

7 & 8 March 2009: Los Angeles County Irish Fair and Music Festival, at the Fairplex, Pomona, California.

14 March 2009: Annual Seminar of Genealogical Society of North Orange County California, "One-step Webpages: a Potpourri of Genealogical Search Tools" by Stephen Morse, Ph.D. <http://www.gsnocc.org/gsnocc/seminar09pg1.html> or call (714) 777-2379 for more details.

21 March 2009: The National Archives, Kew, "Tudor Power, Pageantry and Propaganda" is the title of the one day conference. The coronation of Henry VIII was in 1509, 500 years ago. Elizabeth I was crowned in 1559, 450 years ago. See <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/conferences/tudor.aspx>

22 March 2009: BIFHS–USA, General Meeting TBA, 1:00 to 3:00 PM, and Study Group TBA, 3:30 to 4:30 PM.

26 April 2009: BIFHS–USA, General Meeting TBA, 1:00 to 3:00 PM, and Study Group TBA, 3:30 to 4:30 PM.

23 & 24 May 2009: Orange County USS Scottish Festival and Highland Games, at the Orange County and Event Center, Costa Mesa, California.

24 May 2009: BIFHS–USA, General Meeting TBA, 1:00 to 3:00 PM, and Study Group TBA, 3:30 to 4:30 PM.

20 & 21 June 2009: Great American Irish Fair, Irvine Meadows Fairground, Irvine, CA. <http://www.irishfair.org/index.html>

26 to 28 June 2009: Southern California Genealogical Society's Jamboree, Plan to attend and visit the BIFHS–USA table.

2 to 5 September 2009: Federation of Genealogical Societies Annual Conference, *Passages through Time*, Little Rock, Arkansas. <http://www.fgs.org/2009conference/index.php>

21 to 24 September 2009: International Genealogy Festival, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland. <http://www.strathclydegenealogy.co.uk/>

Now through 27 September 2009. Merseyside Maritime Museum's Magical History Tour, A journey of discover through 800 years of Liverpool history. Albert Dock, Liverpool, England. <http://www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk/maritime/exhibitions/magical/>

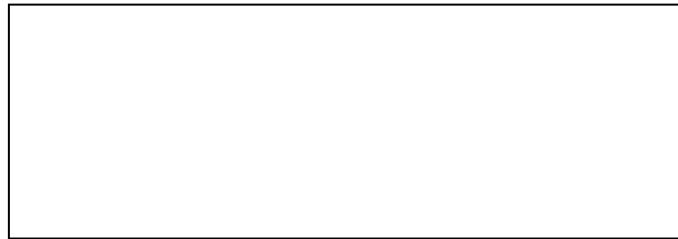


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