## WELCOME TO BIFHSGO'S NOVEMBER MEETING







# BIFHSGO's vision: To connect, educate, share and inspire

### Land acknowledgement

The British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa acknowledges that its activities take place in the ancestral homeland of Indigenous people who have inhabited these lands for millennia. We acknowledge the enduring presence here of all First Nations, Métis and Inuit people. We recognize the importance of bringing awareness and understanding of our diverse nation's past to all, and we promote research and education programs that bring us together as Canadians.

### **UPCOMING IN 2025/26**

### **SATURDAY**, 13 December (hybrid meeting)

9:00 a.m. EST Holiday Social (Favourite Family Recipes)



Logan, Gloria Tubman)



### **SATURDAY**, 13 January (online meeting only)

9:00 a.m. EST Who Pays the Piper? Wills and Testaments of Scottish Musicians 1513-1800 (Robert Urquhart)

10:00 a.m. EST It All Started with Some Buttons... Looking for a Stewart Piper (Susan Iskra-Reaney)

### SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Irish Research

TBD

Wednesday, 12 November 2-3:30 p.m. EST Online

Tuesday, 25 November 7-9 p.m. McNabb Community Centre

Writing

Friday, 21 November 1-3 p.m. EDT Online

**British Colonial America** 

Wednesday, 3 December 7-9 p.m. EDT Online

### Looking for a presenter for:



**Great Moment for June 2026** 

Contact the Program Director at programs@bifhsgo.ca

### **Urgent Board Business**

The Board Secretary had to resign due to family commitments.



This means... the Board:

- doesn't have a secretary
- is short one director for the number required by the bylaws

Please consider stepping forward to help. Contact Dianne Brydon at <a href="mailto:pastpresident@bifhsgo.ca">pastpresident@bifhsgo.ca</a>



### BIFHSGO's virtual annual conference 18 – 19 October 2025

## Researching the Disadvantaged of England and Wales

### There's still time ... Register now to:

- ✓ Hear 9 expert speaker recordings
  - ✓ Listen to Expert Connect chats
  - ✓ Access all conference materials

All available through 30 November

To register, go to www.bifhsgo.ca/registration







No matter how you say it... it's a good deal. Same fees as last year.



### 2026 BIFHSGO memberships available!

Membership renewals available until 31 January 2026

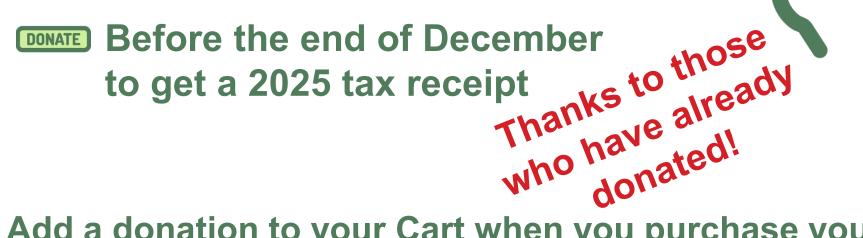


Join the more than 160 people who have already signed up!

Go to www.bifhsgo.ca/member



# Consider making a DONATION with your 2026 membership



Add a donation to your Cart when you purchase your membership or make a separate donation online

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## Also looking for a production assistant for monthly meetings

### Tasks include:

- Running the Zoom meeting
- Setting up and operating sound and video equipment and computers
- Assist with take-down following the meeting



For more information, see "Volunteer Opportunities" in About Us on the website or contact videosupport@bifhsgo.ca



### When you join, please think about how you can help the society...







### Help with meeting refreshments







To help, contact Dianne Brydon programs@bifhsgo.ca

### Drop-in Chat Thursday, 20 November 2025 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Want to chat over a coffee and sweet treat with BIFHSGO friends?





Drop in to The White Pine Café at Arlington Woods Church 225 McClellan Road, off Greenbank Road



### Resources at the Ottawa Branch OGS library

### Library is open:

- Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m. 4 p.m.
  - Saturday 10 a.m. 5 p.m.
- Military research guides, histories, reference books and other resources for tracing ancestors and regiments
- **❖** Resources for Eastern Ontario / West Quebec, British Isles & British Colonial America



BIFHSGO members are eligible for a \$5 discount on a 2025 OGS membership—available for new and renewing members.

Check Member Announcements in the Members' Area of the website for details and the discount code.



#### **Ottawa Branch**

Thursday, 27 November 2025 | 19:00 – 20:45 EST (Zoom meeting)

Finding the records for impossible genealogy (Linda Yip)

Saturday, 13 December 2025 12:00 – 14:00 EST (in-person meeting)

**Christmas Social & Dessert Potluck** 

**Ottawa Genealogy Drop-ins** 

Hosted by OPL and OGS, Tuesdays 2-3 p.m.

Meetings are online or in-person. https://ottawa.ogs.on.ca/events

### Stay in touch with BIFHSGO

#### **BIFHSGO Facebook**



Website www.bifhsgo.ca Send message to "Queries"







**BIFHSGO** members on **BIFHSGO** Facebook **Discussion Group** 

Email – link in "Contact" on web site



## DID YOU MISS SOME ANNOUNCEMENTS?





They are available in "News" on BIFHSGO website after the meeting.