## Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, Feb 2, 2018

# **Upcoming Important Dates**

Feb 2 – **Annual OID** *Practice Feis* is a training feis for ALL DANCERS (& PARENTS) in ALL levels up through Prizewinner. **TONIGHT** from 5:30 pm to 8 pm. Good prep for the Celtic Junction Feis.

**IMPORTANT FOR ALL** *CELTIC JUNCTION FEIS* **DANCERS:** Please pick up your number and t-shirt at the CJAC TONIGHT between 5 pm and 7 pm.

Feb 3 – **Celtic Junction Feis** (for First Feis through Prizewinner) – Feis runs from 8 am to 3 pm at the CJAC.

Feb 5 through Feb 8 – To make up for missed classes due to the weather-related closures, students are welcome to attend multiple additional classes (w/in their level) this week without being registered.

Feb 10 - **We still need champ dancers** for Halfway to Irish Fair (6 pm at Kieran's Irish Pub). This event is a fundraiser for Irish Fair of MN and the public is invited. Family and friends are welcome to attend. Event details <u>here</u>.

CHAMP DANCERS: Even if you've already let us know you'll perform, please use the sign-up <u>form</u> here so we have a complete roster. Performance rubric is <u>here</u>.

Mar 17 - IMDA's St. Patrick's Day Irish Celebration main stage performance at 11:20am. Form/Rubric here.

Mar 18 - IMDA's Day of Irish Dance main stage performance at 12:25pm; Decade of Dance Awards at 12:15pm and 2:40pm; and OID adult dancer showcase at 4:20pm. <u>Form/Rubric</u> same as above.

## **Reminder to Sign Up for Remind**

We are asking everyone to sign up for "All Dancers And Families All Levels" notifications. Please visit: <u>https://www.remind.com/join/osheair</u>



You'll be prompted to register and create a password. A security code will be sent to your phone and then you'll

get a link to download the app. If you already have the app, you have the option to skip the last step. Follow the setup prompts once the app is installed. If prompted to join a class, type: osheair.

**IMPORTANT:** The app **will not replace** our other methods of communication, but will typically be the first communication, followed by email and our postings on social media. More information about the app can be found <u>here</u>.



# Coming Up at CJAC



#### Poetry in Slow Motion study group, Feb 10

The next meeting of 'The Poetry in Slow Motion' study group is on Sat, Feb 10 at **11:00 am in the EML**. The group is reading the hypnotically luminous section "The Wind in the Reeds" from The Collected Poetry of W.B. Yeats. This is a free event and is open to the public. If interested, please contact Patrick at <u>patrick.odonnell@normandale.edu</u>

#### Not All Irish Were Catholics, Feb 17

Learn what other religions were active in Ireland and where to find their records. 10:30am -Noon in the EML. Instructor: Audrey Leonard with the Irish Genealogical Society International. Email research@irishgenealogiccal.org to register.

#### Finding Ship Records for Irish Ancestors, March 24

The ever-elusive passenger lists are frequently the hardest information to find on your ancestors. Find out what records are available and where to find them. 10:30am - Noon in the EML. Instructor Mary Wickersham, Treasurer, Irish Genealogical Society Intl. Email research@irishgenealogiccal.org to register.



### **Important Links**

www.osheairishdance.com OID *public* webpage.

<u>http://damhsa.osheairishdance.com/</u> This is the private OID school page for school members only. <u>https://www.facebook.com/OIDance/</u> OID public Facebook page.

<u>O'Shea Irish Dance (OID) Majors Competitions Group (Closed)</u> For our students, parents and families that are at the Majors level and compete at Nationals, Worlds and Oireachtas.

O'Shea Irish Dance (OID) Dancers and Families Announcements and Activities For OID fams & caregivers.

<u>O'Shea Irish Dance on Instagram</u> Follow OID on Instagram as <u>osheairishdance</u>.

<u>O'Shea Irish Dance on Hulafrog</u>. OID's page on this website focused on local events for kids.

www.idpamn.org The Irish Dance Parent Association (IDPA) website.

Irish Dance Parent Association. The IDPA Facebook page

Add **osheairishdance** to your Snapchat contacts.

#### GOOD LUCK AT THE CELTIC JUNCTION FEIS THIS WEEKEND! LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE FRIDAY FEB 9, 2018