

Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, Feb 23, 2018

Upcoming Important Dates

Feb 24 – No Open Studio – CIM will be setting up for their annual Gaela fundraiser.

Mar 1 and Mar 5 – In preparation for our upcoming St. Patrick's performances, our costumer Marlys will be at CJAC from 4:30 pm to 9 pm to assist with any costume needs.

Mar 3 – Good luck to dancers attending the Lavin-Cassidy Feis!

Attention Preschool through Adult Dancers – Sign up for St. Pat's Performances by 2/26

Mar 17 - IMDA's St. Patrick's Day Irish Celebration main stage performance **(including Pre-School dancers)** at 11:20am. [Form/Rubric](#) here.

Mar 18 - IMDA's Day of Irish Dance main stage performance **(including Pre-School dancers)** at 12:25pm; Decade of Dance Awards at 12:15pm and 2:40pm; and OID adult dancer showcase at 4:20pm. [Form/Rubric](#) same as above.

Notes from IDPA about Feiseanna and Fundraising

Our April Feiseanna

The April feiseanna sponsored by IDPA and OID are just around the corner. We need your help to make this another successful event. Please go to the sign-up links below and choose the spot that works best for you and your schedule. As always, you can make changes if needed and you will always be able to watch your child dance despite what task you sign up for. Please contact Heidi if you have questions about the sign-ups (heidi.shaback@gmail.com).

- **Mpls Feis** on April 28 - [Volunteer for Minneapolis Feis](#)
- **OID Feis** on April 29 - [Volunteer for OID Feis](#)

Herberger's Community Days Fundraiser

It's that time of year again... the Community Days Event at Herberger's! This is a wonderfully easy fundraiser for you to participate in. You keep 100% of the proceeds to help offset costs for dance travel, costuming or tuition.

- **What is it?** The Community Days Event is offered by Herberger's to support the community. You sell coupon books for \$5 to friends, family and neighbors. You keep all the money and return the booklets you don't sell. Pretty easy!
- **When is it?** March 1st - March 3rd so start selling now—books now available at the CJAC kiosk.

If you have any questions, please contact Heidi Shaback at heidi.shaback@gmail.com or call at [651.245.1985](tel:651.245.1985). If you are interested in selling books in the store, please let Heidi know.

OID is Looking for School Show Opportunities

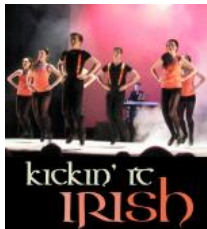
OID is looking for performance and dance demonstration opportunities at preschools, ECFE programs, and elementary schools. Please email oidadmin@osheairishdance.com with ideas and recommendations.

Also remember the **OID credit for referrals**. Cormac and Natalie will credit your Studio Director account \$35 for one referral who registers for pre-beginner or beginner classes. Thank you!

Check the Fit of Your Performance Costumes

We're less than a month out from our St. Patrick's day performances. Now is a good time to check the fit of your performance dresses and vests, especially if dancers have had a growth spurt! Make sure you have the accessories you need as well. Please email oidadmin@osheairishdance.com if you think you need a larger performance dress or vest or are missing part of your costume.

Coming Up at CJAC



Kickin' It Irish tickets on sale now!

Celebrate Saint Paddy's Day in true Irish style with **Kickin' It Irish!** Featuring Dublin native and original Riverdancer (as if he needs an introduction to you) Cormac O'Sé, Kickin' It Irish is a modern fusion of show-style Irish dance and live Irish music. The lineup consists of 22 world-class dancers, and a driving dance band. [More info and tickets here](#). Youth 18 and under are free! Please help us promote the shows by liking and sharing the Kickin' It Irish [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) feeds!

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@irishgenealogical.org to register.



Important Links

www.osheairishdance.com OID **public** webpage.

<http://damhsa.osheairishdance.com/> This is the private OID school page for school members only.

<https://www.facebook.com/OIDance/> OID public Facebook page.

[O'Shea Irish Dance \(OID\) Majors Competitions Group \(Closed\)](#) 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.

[O'Shea Irish Dance on Instagram](#) Follow OID on Instagram as [osheairishdance](#).

[O'Shea Irish Dance on Hulafrog](#). 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.

<https://www.remind.com/join/osheair> Sign up for the Remind app.

Add **osheairishdance** to your Snapchat contacts.

**VALENTINE'S DAY IS OVER, SO IT CAN BE SPRING NOW. ANY TIME NOW. ANY TIME AT ALL.
LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE FRIDAY MAR 2, 2018**