

Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, Mar 23, 2018

Upcoming Important Dates

Mar 26 – We are running our **regular Monday class schedule** to make up for the schedule change on 3/12. See you at the CJAC for class!

Mar 27 – Apr 5 – **OID is closed** for Spring Break. Classes resume Apr 9.

Apr 28 – Minneapolis Feis. Register at www.feisworx.com. - [Volunteer for Minneapolis Feis](#)

Apr 29 – OID Feis. Register at www.feisworx.com - [Volunteer for OID Feis](#)

Festival of Nations performances. Form/rubric coming soon. Save the dates:

- May 4 – 11 am (kids); 1 pm (teens); 9:45 pm (adults)
- May 5 – 11 am (kids); 2 pm (teens); 4:45 pm (adults)
- May 6 – 5:15 pm (adults)

May 19 – 4 pm and 5:15 pm – OID Spring Recital. Save the date. Form/Rubric/Link for tickets coming soon.

Celebrate March Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following O'Shea dancers!

Sylvie Christensen

Charlotte Lecomte

Danielle Scott

Teagan Crowe

William McCarthy

Emily Sherman-Kalla

Rielyn Dufault

Clara McMillan

Lea Tadmor

Sarah Glazer

Clover Mills

Livia Thomas

Ruby Hamilton

Linnea Neurauter

Owen Tweet

Brianne Killackey

Meghan Rice

Margaret Washington

For Dancers/Families Going to Orlando for Nationals

IDPA would like to offer you an opportunity to fundraise for Nationals this year. Since Spring is here, it is time to start thinking about your gardens! We are selling Gerten's gift cards in the quantity of \$25, \$50 and \$100. Your dancer will earn 15% of each card sold. So if you just sell 10 \$100 gift cards, that is \$150 towards your expenses to Orlando! These make great gifts for Mother's Day, birthdays, anniversaries, etc. The beauty of a gift card is that there is no expiration and they can find exactly what they want. So, talk to your family, friends and neighbors and encourage them to support your dancer on their way to Nationals!

- 1st Deadline: April 5th with delivery to OID on April 9th
- 2nd Deadline: April 19th with delivery to OID on April 23rd
- 3rd Deadline: May 3rd with delivery to OID on May 7th

Please collect money when order is placed. Make checks can be made out to IDPA. IDPA will write you a “rebate check” once your order is processed. Turn all orders and money in at kiosk. Contact Heidi Shaback with questions (heidi.shaback@gmail.com or 651.245.1985)

Coming Up at CJAC



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.

The Irish in Pop Culture: Sitcoms, Tourism, Singing Pubs and More, March 31

In an anecdotal, and sometimes faintly provocative talk, Rogers will look at some the ways the Idea of Ireland has seeped into our national fancies and fantasies—believing, as he does, that the Ireland of the imagination is by far the most powerful version. 2pm in the EML. The Colloquium is a free lecture that is open to the public.

Introduction to Irish language literature and poetry, April 4 - June 6

Deepen your knowledge, appreciation and comprehension of the Irish language by reading selections from its classic and contemporary literature in both prose and poetry. The instructor will supply a booklet of readings of accessible Irish language prose and poetry. Taught by Lavina Finnerty.

Introduction to speaking the Irish language for young learners (12-18yrs), April 7 - May 26

Children and young learners will learn to speak Irish in a structured yet immersive listening/speaking style. The instructor will supply a booklet of exercises and readings for students. Taught by Lavina Finnerty.

Lavinia Finnerty, a native speaker from the Connemara Gaeltacht, has taught Irish in secondary school in Ireland and, more recently, to adult learners in San Francisco. She has also prepared learners for the European Pass for Irish/Certificate in Proficiency.



**THANK YOU FOR A FANTASTIC ST. PATRICK'S DAY WEEKEND!
LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE FRIDAY MAR 30, 2018**