## Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

January 22, 2021

### **Important Dates - Mark Your Calendars**

- Jan 22 23rd 10am-12pm Public Food Collection for the Midway Project
- Feb 6 7 Mid America Online Feis

## Food Drive for the Midway Project This Weekend



This weekend the Cetlic Junction is a non-perishable food and personal items donation collection site for the <u>Midway Food & Empowerment Project</u> through our friends and neighbors at the Hamline Midway Coalition and will be open to the public for donation drop-off.

In addition to non-perishable food items, the Midway Project is accepting donations of diapers, wipes, and formula as well as personal care items like soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. More info and other ways to contribute and volunteer are described on their <u>website</u>.

## Mid America Online Feis - Registration Open!

The next online feis opportunity for our region is now open for registration. The Mid America Online Feis is Feb 6 and 7. There is no cap, but registration does close on Feb 5. (You won't want to wait that long). More communication will come out from Cormac about recording your dances. Cormac will help shoot the videos.

This is a regional feis open only to dancers from our region. All results count towards level advancement. Cormac is co-chairing this feis. If you have any questions, please contact him. Like last time, further info about shooting your dances will be provided. <u>More info here</u> in the syllabus. Register at <u>QuickFeis</u>.

# Update Your Contact Info in Studio Director



For the safety of your dancers, and to make sure all our communication is getting to you, we need each of you to make sure that we have your updated contact information in Studio Director. Please login to your account and check to make sure your phone, email and mailing address are up to date. Once you log-in:

- 1. Click the menu bars in the upper left corner of the screen
- 2. Click Edit Account Contact Info
- 3. Make any changes and then scroll to the bottom of the screen and click Save

# Are You Using REMIND?

As most of you know, one of the ways we communicate important info quickly to dancers and families is with the Remind app. If you haven't already done so, please sign up for "All Dancers And Families All Levels" notifications.



On your preferred mobile device, 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.

#### **New Student Referral Bonus**

Do you know any families with young kids interested in pre-beginner or beginner Irish Dance classes? Cormac and Natalie will refund your \$35 annual registration fee for one referral who registers for preschool or beginner classes.

#### **Guidance on COVID-19**

We're back in class this week so we've updated on COVID protocols and have them attached. Check for communication from Cormac as well. While the vaccine slowly rolls out, we need to remain vigilant in adhering to safe-distancing and mask-wearing protocols, We continue to carefully monitor local, state, and federal guidance and will provide updates as needed. State info can be found <u>here</u> and the City of Saint Paul's info is <u>here</u>.

## **Coming Up at CJAC**

#### Sparky and Rhonda Rucker – Mountain Voices - January 22 @ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Free

Sparky and Rhonda share stories and songs from the rich heritage of their southern Appalachian roots, including the African American component of this culture. Their storytelling repertoire ranges from Jack tales and ghost stories to preacher tales and Br'er Rabbit stories. In addition to traditional Appalachian songs and gospel sing-alongs, their repertoire includes newer songs and stories from labor and coal mining struggles in the mountains. <u>More detail here</u>.

LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2021