

Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance

February 7, 2022

Important Dates - Mark Your Calendars

- IDPA Board Meeting - Feb 12
- Day of Irish Dance (Landmark Center) - March 13
- St. Patrick's Day Parade (Downtown St. Paul) - March 17
- St. Patrick's Day Celebration (Landmark Center) - March 17
- O'Shea Irish Dance Feis - April 30
- Leap Into Spring Feis - May 1

"Simpls" IDPA Fundraiser - Now through St. Patrick's Day!

IDPA "Simpls" fundraiser runs now through March 17. Simpls is a St. Paul based company that makes food from scratch using local, organic and sustainable ingredients. Here are some helpful tips to maximize the success of our fundraiser:

1. Make sure to personalize the template below for each person you send it to.
2. Follow-up with friends and family to make sure they received the information.
3. Share the Simpls website: www.simpls.com along with your promo code to social media accounts. This will generate interest and more sales!
4. Remind everyone they can order as many times as they like during the fundraising period! And yes, you can also order!
5. Send a final email reminder two days prior to the end of your fundraising period for any last chance orders.

Simpls has a large delivery area that encompasses the Twin Cities and surrounding suburbs. If your friend or family member is out of the delivery area, we suggest having their order delivered to the member's address where they can pick it up from there.

Below is the template with our unique promo code to send out to friends and family:

Hello (Insert Name),

O'Shea Irish Dance Parent Association is fundraising in February with Simpls, a St. Paul based company that makes food from scratch using local, organic and sustainable ingredients. This fundraiser is 100% contact-free, the food gets delivered right to your doorstep! Gift packs also count towards our fundraiser!

Simply go to their website: www.simpls.com and place an order of \$30 or more, enter the promo code at checkout: **OSHEA22**

For every order that you place between **2/3/22 - 3/17/22**, we earn a portion of the sales! You can use the promo code as many times as you like during the fundraising period. Once you order, you'll get frozen goodies delivered directly to your door within two business days. The PDF attached highlights all the fan favorites and how to order!

Thank you,

(Insert Your Name)

IDPA Board Meeting - Feb 12

The next IDPA board meeting is this Saturday, 2/12 at 9 am via Zoom. OID parents and dancers are always welcome to attend IDPA meetings. Here is the login information:

[Join Zoom Meeting](#) ID: 85012539603 Passcode: 122783

Get Ready for St. Patrick's Day - Parade Option Added!

We've been invited to join the Irish Fair of Minnesota's participation in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in St. Paul. More details to come. 2022 marks the 40th anniversary of IMDA's St. Patrick's Day Celebration and Day of Irish Dance events at Landmark Center. Save the dates listed above. More info about who is dancing when on those dates will come well in advance. Please hold both dates. IMDA has indicated that COVID protocols will be in place - specifics to be announced. We're looking forward to seeing everyone dance at Landmark! And ticket info for Kickin' It Irish will be coming out soon!



Kickin' It Irish 2022 opens March 4th - Tickets on Sale Now!



Celebrate Saint Paddy's Day in true Irish style with Kickin' It Irish, the family-friendly live Irish music and dance spectacular. Featuring Dublin native and original Riverdancer Cormac O'Sé, Kickin' It Irish is a modern fusion of show-style Irish dance and live Irish music. The lineup consists of 20 world-class dancers, including regional and national champions, and an international six-piece band. In addition to Cormac O'Sé on accordion, the driving dance band includes Aidín Ní Shé, Midwest Fleadh champion in English and Irish song; Todd Menton, multi-instrumentalist and lead singer of band Boiled in Lead; and Brian Miller of acclaimed band Bua.

The early bird sale ends Feb 28. [Get your tickets early and save!](#)

Save the Dates: Upcoming Local Feiseanna

IDPA has announced that the next two feiseanna are the O'Shea Irish Dance Feis (April 30) and the Leap Into Spring Feis (May 1). Both events will take place at Gangelhoff Center at Concordia. More details coming soon!

Guidance on COVID-19

Masks and social distancing are absolutely still required indoors. Thanks to everyone for remaining vigilant in adhering to these protocols - especially now as the omicron variant is spreading so rapidly.

If a family member is sick or has been exposed to COVID, please stay home and wait 5 days before returning to the facility. We continue to monitor local, state, and federal guidance and will provide updates as needed. State info can be found [here](#) and the City of Saint Paul's info is [here](#).

LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2022