



Butler-Sheehan Academy of Irish Dance



, 2019
Monthly Newsletter

CNY FEIS DEADLINE IS APRIL 14TH

The deadline for the CNY Feis "on-time" entries is April 13th, 2019. The feis is on Saturday, April 27th, 2019. You can find the syllabus and submit your entries online at: <https://feisweb.com>
The CNY Feis officially marks the beginning of our Feis Season. If this is your first experience with Irish Dance Competitions, it's likely that you have a lot of questions. One of the best sources of information comes from your fellow Butler-Sheehan members. They can offer you a wealth of information to make your first experience be an enjoyable one. If you're not sure if your child is ready to compete, ask Pattie. She'll be happy to answer your questions.

See page #2 of this newsletter for helpful information for the first-time feis competitor.

MARCH DANCEOUTS AND SHOWS

We would like to take a moment and thank all the dancers and parents that participated throughout our March Madness of danceouts, shows, and parades. Thank you for putting in so many hours of travel time and show time. It was definitely a busy month, and it could not have been as successful without the dedication of so many!

In addition to the numerous danceouts, shows, and parades, we'd like to thank everyone who participated in the Syracuse St. Patrick's Day Parade Hunger Project contest. You all did a tremendous job with food donations that carried us into 2nd place, and moreover, we were the 2nd dance school to march in the parade; a truly awesome achievement. Let's do even better next year!

*SPRING RECESS

For this year's Spring Recess, there will be no class on April 16th, but there will be regular classes for the rest of the week.

ROME AREA EVENTS

- Saturday, April 6th @ 11:00am – Little Falls Public Library, Little Falls, NY
- Friday, April 26th @ 7:00pm – Holy Grounds Coffee House, Zion Lutheran Church, New Hartford, NY
- Saturday May 18th & Sunday May 19th @ 1:00pm – Mayfaire On The Green, Holland Patent, NY

Sign-up for danceouts and events on Teamsnap. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Rolands.

UPCOMING FEISEANNA

CNY Feis: Saturday, April 27th, 2019 in Syracuse, NY (This event is now accepting entries at: <https://feisweb.com>. The deadline for "on-time" entries is April 13th, 2019 or when cap is reached.)

Buffalo Feis: Saturday, June 1st, 2019 in Hamburg, NY (This event is now accepting entries at: <https://feisweb.com/>. The deadline for "on-time" entries is May 13th, 2019 or when cap is reached.)

Rockland County Feis: Saturday, June 1st, 2019 in Suffern, NY (This event is now accepting entries at: <https://feisweb.com/>. The deadline for "on-time" entries is May 20th, 2019 or when cap is reached.)

Rochester Feis: Saturday, July 13th, 2019 in Brockport, NY (This event is not yet accepting entries. Details of this feis can be found at: <https://www.rocirishdance.com/rochester-feis>)

Dongan Feis: Saturday, July 20th, 2019 in Albany, NY (This event is not yet accepting entries. Details of this feis can be found at: <http://donganfeis.org>)

Catskill Mountain Feis: Saturday, August 3rd, 2019 in East Durham, NY (This event is not yet accepting entries. Details of this feis can be found at: <http://www.catskillfeis.com/>)

Feis At The Falls: Saturday, August 10th, 2019 in Niagara Falls, NY (This event is not yet accepting entries. Details of this feis can be found at: <http://feisatthefalls.homestead.com>)

Southern Tier Feis: Saturday, August 17th, 2019 in Johnson City, NY (This event is not yet accepting entries. Details of this feis can be found at: <http://carleirishdance.org/wordpress1/feis/>)



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Rome: Text the message @bsrome to the number 81010.

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CLASS SCHEDULE

ROME

Wednesday, April 3rd
Wednesday, April 10th
Wednesday, April 17th
Wednesday, April 24th

SYRACUSE

Tuesday, April 2nd
Thursday, April 4th
Tuesday, April 9th
Thursday, April 11th
***NO CLASS, April 16th**
Thursday, April 18th
Tuesday, April 23rd
Thursday, April 25th
Tuesday, April 30th

IMPORTANT NAMES & TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Director/Instructor: Pattie Sheehan-Malinowski	(315)457-8172
New Dancers: Jessica Carr	(315)264-8907
Costumes: Jennifer Conover	(315)794-1083
Newsletter & Webmaster: Peter Wright	(315)409-4053

SYRACUSE LOCATION

School Coordinator: Pattie Sheehan-Malinowski	(315)457-8172
Bookings: Julie Jones-Beckwith	(315)525-5027

ROME LOCATION

School Coordinator: Jessica Carr	(315)264-8907
Bookings: Lisa Rowlands	(315)225-5239

ARE YOU READY FOR THE FEIS?

Helpful tips for a smooth feis experience

Check your equipment:

- For Girls: School Dress/Solo Dress (look for tears, stains, zipper operation, etc.)
- For Boys: Pants & Shirt (looks for tears, stains, missing buttons, zipper operation, etc.)
- Shoes (Check laces, sole, uppers, look for scuffs and wear)

Items you must have:

- *Clear, Non-Glare Cardholder w/ribbon to tie around the dancer's waist (for the competition number)
- *Shoes: Ghillies, Reel Shoes, Hard Shoes

For Girls:

- School Dress/Solo Dress & Headband
- *Poodle Socks (a spare pair is recommended)

For Boys:

- Pants
- Shirt
- Tie
- Vest

Optional Items (but highly recommended):

- *Dress Bag w/compartments
- Hairbrush/Comb
- *Wig
- Bobbie Pins
- Safety Pins
- Hole Punch
- Ponytail Holders
- Small Sewing Kit w/Scissors
- Highlighter & Pen
- *Sock Glue
- Masking Tape & Duct Tape (for the bottom of the shoes)

Things to consider:

- Seating isn't usually available; you may want to bring folding chairs.
- Food is normally available, but many bring their own to save on time and money.
- If you have younger children with you, bring along books, paper, crayons, etc. to keep them busy.
- Get there early and "stake your claim". You will need an area to use as home-base.

**These items can be purchased at a feis.*