



McKEEVER SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCE NEWSLETTER MARCH - APRIL 2015

“March Madness” A Success! McKeever Students Dance up a Storm!

As March comes to a close we can look back at a number of fun performances that were all a huge success. All of the dancers and families involved really helped to promote our school as well as Irish culture here in Sacramento. It started with the Saint Patrick's Day Parade in Old Sacramento on March 14th. Students of all ages danced in a short performance before the parade kicked off and then we marched along with the Shamrock Club down the streets of Old Sac. Dancers even met footballer and native Irishman, Thomas Stewart from the Sacramento Republic FC who was the guest of honor for the Shamrock Club. After the parade dancers gathered at Joe and Deb McNamara's Saint Patrick's Day party. Joe has been a great supporter of The McKeever School and organized the performance we did last summer with Irish Tenor Anthony Kearns. Students performed for guests and topped off a great day.

A big thanks also to John McNamee and Echo shirts for the sharp and celebratory McKeever School T-Shirts that really helped our dancers look great at these events.



Please consider joining the Shamrock Club of Sacramento and meeting some great people! Membership is only \$30 for the year and helps support the groups endeavor to promote Irish Culture in our city. Visit www.ShamrockSac.com for more info.

More Great Images from the Day of the Parade!



Trinity Irish Dance Co.



And The McKeever School of Irish Dance

Dancers had the opportunity to see the Trinity Irish Dance Company perform this month at the Three Stages/ Harris Center in Folsom. The athleticism and intensity of their show inspired us all. The Trinity Irish Dance Company and School has been creating innovative and professional choreography for 30 years, ten years prior to the phenomenon of Riverdance. Hopefully one day the McKeever School can have their own dance company!!

Early Birds Get the Worm!!

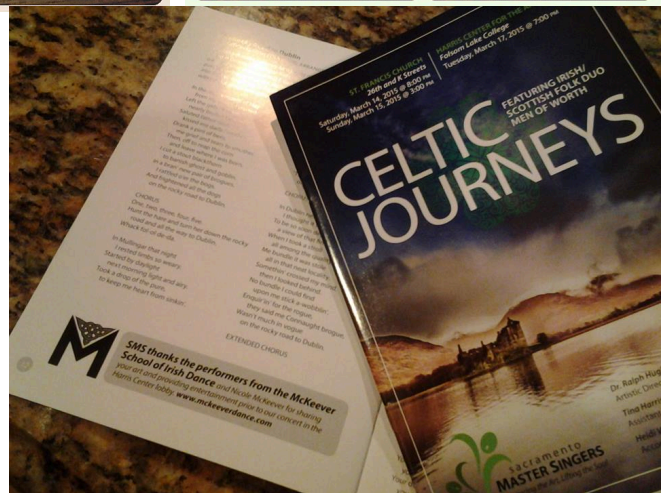
The McKeever School of Dance had the chance to perform on live television on Good Day's morning show, Monday March 16th! Everyone woke up very early and danced their hearts out! Then the troupe of troopers went off to school and work afterwards!! It was an exciting experience being in the studio, getting to see how the news is delivered live and meeting the cast of Good Day. To watch the performance look for links on our website and Facebook.





Celtic Journeys Concert at the Harris Center in Folsom!

The McKeever School of Irish Dance performed on the night of Saint Patrick's Day at the Three Stages or Harris Center in Folsom. We were invited by the Sacramento Masters Singers to perform before the concert for 30 minutes. They gave us a great write up in the program and our students really enjoyed their beautiful music!



Welcoming New Students!

The Desmond School of Irish Dance in Auburn and Grass Valley has closed its doors this month. We had the pleasure of performing with Kathleen Desmond TCRG and her dancers this Summer in the KVMR CelticFest.

She and her school have been a positive presence in California and the Western Region. We wish Kathleen a wonderful new chapter of her life, and we welcome a sizable group of her dancers into our school. We hope that they can join the positive culture of the McKeever School and train hard to reach their maximum potential. We are happy to have you!

Upcoming Events

The Golden State Feis is in San Francisco April 11-12 at Saint Mary's Cathedral, Gough Street. Entries have closed March 23. For more info visit Feisworx.com

Saturday March 29th our Dancers will be performing at the Palm Gardens Assisted Living Facility in Woodland. Be there at 11:30 for a Noon performance. Address 240 Palm Ave, Woodland, CA.

The goal for the year is to get our very own McKeever School of Irish Dance Studio to lease. The school is continuing to grow at a welcomed and healthy rate but that means we need to look ahead and plan for this growth. Please keep your eyes out for any space that might suit our needs as a dance school right here in Sacramento. The more eyes we have out there the better chance we have at finding a home we can grow into!