

Niagara Frontier Fiddle Club Newsletter

Jan, 2012

Fiddling for fun on the Niagara Frontier

Board Members:

President: Roger Vaillancourt

Vice President: Larry

Brennen

Secretary: Neil Yerkey Treasurer: Dick Anderson Gig Chair: Joanne Brennen, Lead Fiddler: Lyle Cote

At Large Members:

Jim Witkowski Roy Fisher Sharon Cianciosi Dues are \$10/year payable by February. Members who have not paid dues by the end of February will be dropped from the roster

MINUTES Jan 22, 2012

BOARD MINUTES:

Roger called the Board to order at 1:40.

- 1. There were no minutes from the last meeting
- 2. Gigs:

Larry reported on the Barker gig. There was a discussion about what to do when there are not enough musicians. Will bring up to the general meeting.

Joanne went over the gig list for information.

All agreed that we are willing do the Ransomville Seniors gig for

\$75 plus food.

- 3. There was a discussion about what to do with archival records, now stored at the Brennen's. There is no central place for them. Larry will keep for the time being.
- 4. The club van has been inspected and passed, and insurance paid.
- 5. The Board OK'd creating a private page on our web site for members only, to include Newsletters, announcements, etc. We agreed to keep the gig schedule on the public page unless an organization asks us not to.
- 6. There was a discussion about one of our members who is ill and how to appropriately express support. Larry and Joanne will check with them to decide what would be appropriate.

GENERAL MEETING:

- 1. Roger called the meeting to order at 1:50.
- 2. By a round of applause, everyone enjoyed the Christmas party and agreed to have it at K of C next year.
- 3. No minutes were read.
- 4. Treasurer's Report: We have a balance of \$3,346.81.
- 5. Committees:
 - Gig Chair: Joanne went over gigs for voting—All were approved. (See below)

A gig on Mar 3 in Niagara Falls is possible. Will have info before the next meeting. Everyone agreed to accept \$75 for the Ransomville gig since they will feed us.

Lyle urged people to attend gigs when possible. Several suggestions were made to increase participation, but work, sickness, and weather make it difficult to know ahead of time. Roger urged people to call him if they can't make it.

- Food: Good—lots of food.
- Sunshine: Carol sent a card to Joan. Joanne reported about Joan's condition and everyone agreed we should give a \$50 dollar gift certificate. Carol will handle.
- 6. Don Tober asked about having us play in Springville on Aug 4. More details are needed.
- 7. Lyle passed around a sheet for everyone to put their name, address, etc. Lyle will compile a list of all paid up members.
- 8. Dues of \$10 are due before the end of February. Give or send to Lyle. Members whose Dues are not received by February will be dropped from the roster.
- 9. Moved by Roy F, Seconded by Sharon to adjourn.

NEXT MEETING: Feb 26, 2:00 at Knights of Columbus, 2735 Union Rd. Cheektowaga, NY

Approved Gigs (also listed on the Web page at http://niagarafiddlers.org under "Where We're Playing":

Feb 2Thursday: 2:00-3:00 Elderwood at Maplewood, 225 Bennet Rd, Cheektowaga

Feb 14 Tuesday: 2:00-3:00 Elderwood at Linwood, 1818 Como Park Blvd, Lancaster (Valentine party)

Mar 2 Friday: 7:00-9:00 Knights of Columbus (we will do this as an appreciation for using their facility)

Mar 3 Saturday: 1:30-2:30 Ladies of the Hibernians, Irish Heritage Day, Fashion Outlet Mall, Military Rd, Niagara Falls

Mar 6 Tuesday: 1:00-2:00 Wilson Seniors, Wilson fire hall, 250 Young St, Wilson

Mar 12 Monday: 12:30-1:30 St Gregory Seniors, Maple & St Gregory Ct.(next to Milliard Filmore Suburban), Amherst

Mar 17 Saturday: 2:00-3:00 Elderwood at Linwood, 1818 Como Park Blvd, Lancaster

May 11 Friday: 6:30-7:30 Batavia 1st Methodist Church Coffee House, 8221 Clinton St, Batavia