



# Niagara Frontier Fiddle Club

## Newsletter, Sept, 2016

Fiddling for fun on the Niagara Frontier  
*niagarafiddlers.org*

### MINUTES Sept 25, 2016

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#### **Board Members:**

*President: Bob Toth*

*Vice President: Bill Pocobello*

*Secretary: Neil Yerkey*

*Treasurer: Larry Brennen*

*Gig Chair: Joanne Brennen*

*Lead Fiddler: Sharon Cianciosi*

#### **At Large Members:**

*Larry Brumagin*

*Steve Kick*

*Nancy Kick*

*Nancy Yerkey*

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#### GENERAL MEETING:

1. VP Bill Pocobello called the meeting to order at 2:15.

2. Minutes: Neil read the June, 2016 minutes. Moved by Bill, seconded by Nancy Y to approve. Approved.

3. Treasurer's Report from Larry Brennen:

Balance on hand, June 2016: \$5333.76

Income: \$2710

Expenses: \$1370.69

Balance 9/16: \$6673.07

Moved by Dale, seconded by Sharon to accept.

4. Food: Good

5. Sunshine: Nancy Y reported that Carol sent cards to Neil, Sharon Amoia, and Lenore Tober.

6. Music: Bill said he wants a few fiddlers to practice Ragtime

Annie as a tribute song. He would also like to work on Headlands March.

7. Sound: There was a discussion about how to handle equipment if Bob is not available. It was suggested that we have two volunteers to pack equipment into their car trunks. Bob will coordinate what is needed.

Bill reported that he distributed a brochure about sound set-up to a few people, so we will have a cadre of people who can set up and adjust the sound.

8. Gigs: Joanne presented the gig sheet (see below). All approved.

Bill urged members to help drum up gigs, especially at festivals, parks, etc.

Becky urged us to look into pro-bono gigs at the VA. There was general agreement.

#### New business.

1. Christmas party. Joanne said we must pay for a minimum of 35 at Sean Patrick's, and we might be close. We will be sending out a more formal notice about the party and Joanne needs people to contact Sharon early so we know if we will have enough. Sharon will be collecting payments of \$10/person. Nonmembers will pay the full cost of the dinner.

2. Welcome to new member Dan Weitz!

3. Janet reported that Jean is in Beechwood. Lyle is still at Heathwood and he would like some transportation to go see Jean.

4. Some organizations have been putting limitations on the number of players they want. It was agreed that we cannot ask members not to come to any gig. Some situations work out, since, at times, fewer musicians show up. The groups should be told that we can't deliberately tell people not to come to a gig.

Bill brought up that some organizations do not have handicapped access, and some don't have enough parking, etc. Dale moved, seconded by Michaelene that groups must accommodate our needs.

5. Larry Brennen reminded us that Living Faith Church in W. Seneca is available for meetings and practice. We decided to practice there in October (see below for a practice announcement).

3. Moved by Larry, Seconded by Sharon to adjourn.

PRACTICE. We will have a practice on Sunday, Oct 16 at 2:00 at Living Faith Church, 1907 Center Rd., West Seneca

NEXT MEETING. Oct 23, 2:00 at Forestview, 3959 Forest Parkway, N. Tonawanda

Approved Gigs (also listed on the Web page at <http://niagarafiddlers.org> under “Where We’re Playing”):

Oct 18, Tues, 2:00-3:00pm, Our Lady of Peace, 5285 Lewiston Rd., Lewiston

Oct 21, Fri, 2:30-3:30pm, Seneca Manor, 2987 Seneca St. W. Seneca

Oct 22, Sat, 7:00-9:00pm, Jim Turton’s niece, 12551 North Rd., Alden 14004

Nov 4, Fri, 3:00-4:00pm, Riverwood, 2850 Grand Island Blvd. G.I.

Nov 6, Sun, eat @ 6, play at 7:00-8:00pm, Yates Baptist Church, 11365 E. Yates Center Rd, Rte 63, Lyndonville, NY

Nov 18, Fri, 7:00-8:00pm., Montgomery Park, 6363 Transit Rd. E. Amherst

Nov 21, Mon, 2:00-3:00pm, Elderwood @ Lancaster 1818 Como Park Blvd

Nov. 22, Tues, 7:00-8:00pm, Absolute Care of Orchard Park, Armor Duels Rd

Dec 2, Fri. 6:00pm OUR Christmas party, SeanPatricks’, 3480 Millersport Hgwy, Getzville

Dec 6, Tues, 2:00-3:00pm, Our Lady Peace, 5285 Lewiston Rd., Lewiston

Dec 14, Wed, 2:00-3:00pm, Forestview Apts, 3959 Forestview Pkwy, N. Tonawanda

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Mar 23, Thurs, 2:00 , Tonawanda Manor Ensminger Rd., Tonawanda

Jul 20, Thurs, 2:00, Tonawanda Manor