

NIAGARA **MUSIC NOTES**

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COMING FROM THE HEART

MUSICIAN STEVE GOLDBERGER has built a reputation over

Steve Goldberger plays from the heart on Friday and Saturday at the Angel Inn in Niagara-on-the-Lake



the past 25 years for playing extensively around Toronto and the Niagara region in a variety of bands. Performing with the Fringe Locals, Steve will lead listeners down a path of unforgettable classic blues, rock and folk songs.

Recently, Steve Goldberger and the Fringe Locals released a live CD entitled *Come From the Heart*, recorded from performances in Toronto and Niagara-on-the Lake. According to Steve, the decision to release the disc came after a major heart operation.

"I had heart surgery about a year and a half ago, and while I was recuperating, I was thinking that it was time I put something down. It gives people an idea of what we do live. It's pretty eclectic stuff, but it's mostly my favourite writers, and there is one original song on it. Our next album will be more original music."

In addition to his busy musical career, Steve has also created an e-journal entitled *The Bum Ticker*, which documents his inner thoughts and emotions before and after his heart surgery. Steve says the public's response to his personal journals has been fantastic. "I get at least one letter a day from someone saying how thankful they are that they found this. It's nice to find someone that's gone through

the same thing so they can relate to it."

The show will take place on March the 17 and 18 at the Olde Angel Inn, 224 Regent St., NOTL. \$2.00 from the sale of each album will also be donated to the heart and stroke foundation. To check out *The Bum Ticker* Book, visit the web site at www.aldgategroup.com/steve.html.