Rod Mcneil

Tim O'Brien

Now I make a living from a circuit I made
Out of trial and error and gigs that I've played
It might be the money or the town that it's in
But mostly it's people make you come back again

There was one little place that I played every year It's outside of Pittsburgh and I guess it's still there Just a little old Moose lodge, the crowd was okay But you'd never got rich from the money they'd pay

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You might arrive tired and dark in a gloom
Then he'd buy a big dinner and pay for your room
Pete Rowan would hug him and call him his dad
That day the lonely road didn't seem bad

Well, I saw this and said that I'd buy it for Tim Didn't I Marty, he'd say with a grin And I keep that toy fiddle on my window sill To remind me of Rod and those gray Pittsburgh hills

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