



FEBRUARY 2009

# RIPTON COMMUNITY COFFEE HOUSE

## GREETINGS FROM SNOW COUNTRY CENTRAL!



We are having a terrific snow winter this year, enough to enjoy and give the kids the occasional snow day, not enough to cancel any concerts at the Ripton Community Coffee House. How cool is that?

Here once again at the school, we really appreciate your help putting away the school's chairs and schlepping the Community House chairs out to the waiting trucks and back to the Community House. If you can stick around after the concert and help us, we would welcome it. Next month we

will be back in the Community House for the rest of the year (except August, which we take off to avoid conflict with the Champlain Valley Folk Festival). In the meantime, enjoy the weather!

### ◆ ◆ ◆ SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FOLK! ◆ ◆ ◆

Friday thru Sunday, February 13-15

The Dance Flurry featuring Peter and Mary Alice Amidon, Atlantic Crossing, Joe Bruchac, CJ Chenier and the Red Hot Louisiana Band, Girl Howdy, the Horse Flies, Jesse Lege and Bayou Brew, Bob McQuillen, Mike and Ruthy, John Roberts, Run Mountain, Swingology and many others in Saratoga Springs (New York). Contact [www.danceflurry.org](http://www.danceflurry.org)

Friday, February 13

Patty Larkin at 7 pm at the United Methodist Church in Middlebury. Part of the After Dark Music Series. Contact [www.afterdarkmusicseries.com](http://www.afterdarkmusicseries.com)

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### REMINDERS:

- We love your help putting away the chairs at the end of the evening!
- The Ripton Community Coffee House's website can be found at [www.rcch.org](http://www.rcch.org). MySpace: [www.myspace.com/riptoncommunitycoffeehouse](http://www.myspace.com/riptoncommunitycoffeehouse)
- If our admission is ever a burden, please pay what you can afford.

**TONIGHT'S BAKE SALE BENEFITS...**

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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### COFFEEHOUSE CALENDAR



- March 7 - Lewis Franco and the Missing Cats
- April 4 - Sloan Wainwright
- May 2 - Dana and Susan Robinson
- Jun 6 - Kathleen Pemble
- Sep 5 - Mike & Ruthie (of The Mammals)
- Oct 3 - Brooks Williams
- Nov 3 - Lissa Schneckenburger Trio

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# TONIGHT! LE BON VENT

Le Bon Vent, which translates as "the good wind," is six-person, multi-instrumental band that celebrates the music of France and the lands touched by French culture. Their repertoire ranges from Medieval French songs to New England dance tunes to jazzy Parisian waltzes, and from rootsy mazurkas from the Limousin region to set pieces from the court of Louis the XIV. With an emphasis on improvisation and experimentation, the music of Le Bon Vent is both traditional and contemporary, described by Radio Espace Musique of Montreal as "a fresh spring breeze that pleasantly ruffles our feathers."

The members of the group are all celebrated musicians in folk, classical, and jazz idioms. Musical director Jeremiah McLane has toured the U.S. and Europe at such venues as the Philadelphia Folk Festival and London's Royal Festival Hall. He lives in Sharon, Vermont, and also performs with Nightingale and The Clayfoot Strutters.



Vocalist Cristi Catt of Cambridge, Massachusetts, has performed in concerts and theatrical productions internationally. Seattleite Ruthie Dornfeld has performed traditional fiddle styles throughout the United States, Europe, Russia, and Brazil. Chicago based clarinetist and composer James Falzone's diverse career exists at the intersection of a multitude of musical styles and traditions. Adam Larrabee, who plays guitar, mandolin, and mandocello teaches at the New England Conservatory in Boston, Massachusetts. Taki Masuko came to Boston from Japan in 1979 after playing percussion in the Osaka Philharmonic Orchestra.

**COMING UP...**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 7  
AT THE RIPTON COMMUNITY HOUSE  
RIPTON COFFEE HOUSE WELCOMES**

**LEWIS FRANCO  
AND THE  
MISSING CATS**

Don't miss this night of exciting gypsy swing! Lewis Franco has been a fixture on the Vermont acoustic music scene for many years, entertaining audiences of all ages with clever and occasionally profound lyrics, delightfully tuneful melodies, and a fun-loving presence. Vermont Public Radio's Robert Resnik calls Franco, "a brilliant songwriter—one of our very finest."



Franco currently performs as a vocalist, songwriter, and guitarist with The Missing Cats, which is comprised of Will Patton (mandolin), Dono Schabner (guitar), and Micah Carbonneau (upright bass). They do originals as well as gypsy swing and jive swing tunes from the 1930s and 40s, featuring close three-part vocal rhythm harmonies, combined with accessible jazz improvisation.