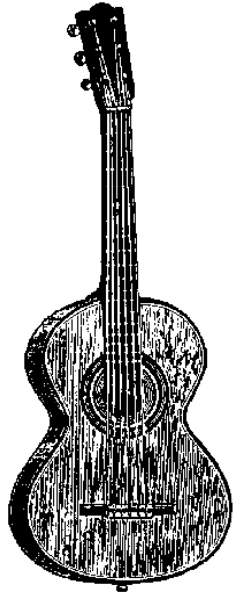




MARCH 2009

RIPTON COMMUNITY COFFEE HOUSE

WELCOME BACK TO OUR HOME!



Welcome to the Ripton Community Coffee House, back in its regular location here at the historic Ripton Community House. January and February at the Ripton Elementary School is fine (parking sure is easy!), but we are happy to come HOME. Tonight's performance by Lewis Franco and the Missing Cats promises to be fun, at times funny, and definitely entertaining. Thanks to our many talented open-mikers who bring an added attraction to our monthly series here in Ripton. As always, the concert will begin at 7:30 pm – doors open at 7 pm. The one-hour open mike set will be followed by the featured performers. If you are interested in one of the five open-mike slots, you are definitely encouraged to call in advance and reserve a spot (388-9782).

The Ripton Community Coffee House is held on the first Saturday of each month, except August. Admission is \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for seniors, and \$3.00 for children. The economically challenged may pay what they can afford. The Ripton Community House is wheelchair accessible but the restrooms are not. Cell phones won't work, but there is a pay phone just next door outside the Ripton Town Offices. Refreshments tonight will benefit the Moosalamoo Pony Club. For more information, contact Richard Ruane or Andrea Chesman at 388-9782. Many thanks to our volunteers and loyal audience.

— ADMISSION —

\$8 ADULTS,

\$5 SENIORS / \$3 CHILDREN

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. MySpace: 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

- Booking..... Beth Duquette, 453-5320
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- Newsletter..... Suwhite, 388-3622
& Sponsorship suwhite@sover.net
- Open Mike..... Richard, 388-9782
richard@richardruane.com
- Bake Sale..... Andrea, 388-9782
andrea@andreachesman.com

COFFEEHOUSE CALENDAR



- 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!

LEWIS FRANCO AND THE MISSING CATS

The Ripton Community Coffee House welcomes the acoustic jazz combo Lewis Franco and the Missing Cats.

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."

His music receives airplay on several radio stations including Vermont Public Radio, WNCS, WGDR, and WDEV, where his songs are prominently featured on WDEV's popular Saturday morning program, Music To Go To The Dump By, hosted by Ken Squier.

Franco's national recognition is of a different sort. A long-time resident of Maple Corner, in Calais, Vermont,



he appears with only his guitar as "Mr. January" in the famous Men of Maple Corner Calendar. He wrote the theme song for the calendar and performed it on NBC's Today Show. Also, National Public Radio interviewed Franco for its popular weekend show, "Only a Game." A 5-time Wifflefest Champion, his combination of Wiffle-Ball and musical talents are virtually unsurpassed.

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

COMING UP...

**SATURDAY, APRIL 4
AT THE RIPTON COMMUNITY HOUSE
RIPTON COFFEE HOUSE WELCOMES**

SLOAN WAINWRIGHT

Contemporary folk-pop singer-songwriter Sloan Wainwright – youngest sister to folk-music luminary Loudon Wainwright III and aunt to Rufus and Martha Wainwright – has just released her newest CD "Rediscovery." This new work from the artist is a collection of hand-picked cover tunes, a musical rediscovery of, and reconnection to, ten songs that have inspired and influenced her deeply. Stand out tracks include the fan-favorite "Ring of Fire", a poignant version of John Lennon's "Love" and a stark and soulful interpretation of Neil Young's "After The Gold Rush."

On stage Wainwright brings her rich contralto, her trusted musical collaborator and guitar-player Stephen Murphy and percussionist Cadence Carroll to listening rooms and festivals around the country.



The evening will feature live performances from Rediscovery as well as both updated and classic versions of her self-penned songs culled from an impressive, and critically acclaimed, discography.

Audience members often describe her personal appearances as forceful and uplifting. Defying standard categorization, Wainwright consistently demonstrates her easy command of a variety of American musical styles: pop, folk, jazz and blues, held together by the melodious tone of her powerful voice. The musical end result is a unique and soulful hybrid. The Boston Globe noted the Wainwright has a "regal voice" that could fell a redwood..." and Sing Out Magazine called her "...one of those singers whose performance is a force of nature."