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**First Wednesday**

**Talk:**

The Sound of Music: Diamond Jubilee

**January 8, 7 p.m.**

In 1959, Broadway’s Lunt-Fontanne Theatre premiered a musical on an unlikely topic: an Austrian family who had become famous for escaping Nazi Germany. Pianist and scholar Robert Wyatt discusses the history of the musical as well as the audience’s reaction, then and now.

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**Snow Bowl & Rikert Nordic Center Passes**

Thanks to a generous donation from Middlebury College, we can now offer our patrons ski passes. Each pass may be borrowed once per month and one weekend per season per household. To borrow the pass, patrons must have a valid library card. Passes do not include equipment rental fees. Call to reserve a date.

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**Making Comics Workshop – Ben Cohen**

**Saturday, January 18, 11:30 a.m.**

Making comics with friends (old or new) is a chance to create a problem and solve it together. This workshop is an opportunity to play the game of making comics. A drop-in event for teens and adults.

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**Loosely Bound Book Group**

**Tuesday, January 21 at 5:30 p.m.**

Jeremy Holt will lead our discussion of his graphic novels, After Houdini and Before Houdini. Packed with intrigue, suspense, and fantasy, After Houdini is a revisionist look at one of history’s most mysterious figures that is sure to take readers on a journey they’ll never forget. Copies of the book are available at the circulation desk.

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**Film Screening: Batman: Hush**

**January 26, 6 – 7:30 p.m.**


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**Open Cribbage**

**Fridays, 12 – 3 p.m.**

Beginners as well as experienced players are welcome to play cribbage on Friday afternoons in the library. Experienced player Will Smith will be available to teach beginners.

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**Library Closed**

**January 1, New Year’s Eve.**

**January 20, Martin Luther King Jr. Day.**

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**Used Book Sale**

Saturday, January 4, 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

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**Cabin Fever Lecture Series - Long-Eared Owls**

**January 7, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**

Long-eared Owls are perhaps the most secretive native owl in our area and had long been the most difficult for birders to find. OCAS President Ron Payne will detail a three-year quest to find Long-eared Owls and learn how they are using the landscape in Addison County. Sponsored by the Otter Creek Audubon Society.

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**Backpacking 101**

**January 16, 6 – 7:30 p.m.**

Experienced backpacker Ivor Hughes will be here to help you plan your first or next backpacking adventure. Topics covered in the presentation will include: equipment; food and cooking; fitness; planning; first aid; hike selection and navigating; and kit list.

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**Basic Bike Maintenance**

**January 30, 6 – 7:30 p.m.**

Carl from Middlebury Bike Shop will be here to take you through the basics of bike maintenance and repair to get you ready for spring. Pre-registration is required. Registration on-line or by phone.

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**Adults Read YA Book Group**

**Thursday, January 23 at 6:00 p.m.**

Join us for a discussion of Pet by Akwaeke Emezi. In their riveting and timely young adult debut, acclaimed novelist Emezi asks difficult questions about what choices a young person can make when the adults around them are in denial. Copies of the book are available at the circulation desk.

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**Introductory Bridge Series**

**Tuesdays, January 7 – February 25,**

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

Sign up for this series of free weekly bridge classes. Classes will be taught by Gisela Palmer and are suitable for absolute beginners, but experienced players are also welcome to participate. The classes will follow Audrey Grant’s Bridge Basics 1: An Introduction.

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**Special Needs Planning Workshop Tuesday**, **January 14 at 6 p.m.**

Special Needs Planning is essential to protect our disabled child or grandchild. This workshop provides a comprehensive overview of what families need to know about special needs planning, including such essentials as protecting important government benefits, constructing wills and special needs trusts, and much more. Presented by Attorney Claudia I. Pringles. Free, but registration required. Call (802) 223-0600 to register.

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