

OLLI Showcase

West Warwick Public Library
1043 Main Street
*Pilot program as a potential new class location.
Free for members and non-members.*

2 free PROGRAMS

Monday, April 18, 5:30-7:00PM

History and Future of Automobiles

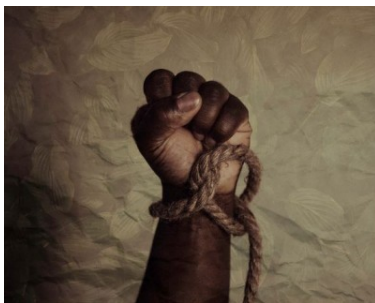


During this one- and one-half hour session participants will examine the history of automobile development from steam engines to 4-cycle internal combustion engines. Learn of the refinements that were made to drive today's cars to over 100,000 miles without a major breakdown. Explore what may lie ahead for the future of automobiles, including electric and hydrogen engines and autonomous self-driving vehicles.

*OLLI faculty member, **Jet Vertz**, will lead this session. Jet worked for 40 years in the aviation business and was an executive at Pratt & Whitney Aircraft prior to retirement. Jet enjoys retirement and teaches many courses for OLLI and is a member of the OLLI Advisory Council.*

Wednesday, May 18, 5:30-7:00PM

Slavery– The Scourge of Civilization



This presentation will examine the deep historical roots of slavery, with an emphasis on slavery in the New World. Slavery was practiced in all thirteen original colonies in America, throughout the Caribbean and South America. Newport, RI, was a commercial shipping center of the Atlantic slave trade, which continued after slavery was outlawed in RI and banned by the Constitution.

***Stephen Berardo** has a master's degree in public administration and is a long-time student of history and political systems. He is a planning consultant working with local, state, and federal government agencies on a variety of land use and infrastructure development issues, and he has been an adjunct and full-time college faculty member*

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OLLI is a community of older adults, age 50 and better, providing learning opportunities with a variety of classes simply for the joy of learning. There are no tests and no grades. Classes run on a year-round basis with new offerings beginning every week. Categories of courses include current events, literature, history, music, science and wellness to name a few. There's something for everyone!