



Education Programs

Our membership is made up of senior citizens with a passion for cars. Many of our members have considerable experience in working with every aspect of vehicles; from concept to final production and everything in between! Our greatest desire is to educate our community so they do not become the victim of those who prey upon the elderly or take advantage of the widow or single parent or anyone who can least afford it.

With this in mind, the Recreation Centers of Sun City West invited ARC to teach a course on the History of the Automobile through their **EXPLORE! Evening Adult Learning program**. We were delighted to work with the Recreation Centers to provide a course that would speak to the needs of the community. The course was well received and we have once again been asked to present this class during the Rec. Center's Fall 2013 lineup. We are thrilled to have the opportunity to do so.

Prior to the *History of the Automobile* course through the Rec. Center's EXPLORE! Evening Adult Learning program, courses were taught by ARC President, Herb Clark at PORA in their day time Adult Learning program.

While not all of the members of ARC own a classic or vintage vehicle, they are all eager to expand their knowledge and help others learn more about vehicles and the process of restoration. Therefore,



EXPLORE!
EVENING ADULT LEARNING

EXPAND YOUR MIND ! LEARN SOMETHING NEW !

SIGN UP NOW FOR SPRING CLASSES!

(Go to rcsw.com and click on "Explore! Learning" under Activities or call **623/544-6194**.)

THE HISTORY OF THE AUTOMOBILE AND THEN SOME

Thursdays, March 14-28 — 6:30-8:30 pm

Herb Clark, President of ARC, and guest speakers will present a class covering:

- History: Early History of the Automobile/America's Pioneers/Boom of the Automobile/How the Automobile Changed America/Classic Antiques and More/Pre-WWII Cars/Post WWII Cars/Muscle Cars/ Pony Cars
- How To Buy a New or Used Car – How to Sell a Car
- Basic Maintenance Every Driver Should Know
- How to Recognize and Avoid Predators
- Fun Things To Do With Your Car and Places To Go

OTHER CURRENT CLASSES INCLUDE:

- ✍ **Did You Really Mean That?**
- ✍ **Beginning Bridge**
- ✍ **Archaeology, Cultures & Ancient Arts of Southern Arizona**
- ✍ **Songs That Reflect History: 1900-1945**
- ✍ **Fiscal Cliff, The Aftermath**
- ✍ **404 Years of Immigration to America**
- ✍ **The Talking Cure and How It Works**
- ✍ **Inside Dallas the Day Kennedy Was Assassinated**
- ✍ **The History of the Automobile and Then Some**
- ✍ **Help Stop Senior Financial Exploitation**
- ✍ **Reverse Mortgages**
- ✍ **AARP Driver Safety**

**CHECK THE WEBSITE REGULARLY
FOR NEW CLASSES!**

This program is sponsored by the Recreation Centers of Sun City West.

ARC has worked to develop courses that are relevant to our constituents and are taught by our more experienced members. The courses range from the most basic to the very complex. There is something for everyone and they have all been given a test drive because they were presented at either an ARC meeting or event where they were critiqued for content, relevancy and presentation. Based on our members' feedback, we are pleased to present to you the following courses:

- History of the Automobile
- Basic Vehicle Maintenance:
 - Don't Be Fooled By The **710** (That's OIL Upside-down)
 - Help... How Do I Put Fuel In My Vehicle? (My spouse used to do that and now I'm alone.)
 - Tire Inflation or It's the Donut
 - It's the Details That Count
- Savvy Senior Driving Tips
- Car Show Judging
- Restoration 101, Where Do I Start?
- The Lost Art of Leading
- To Bondo Or Not To Bondo
- Auto Painting with the Master
- Learn to Drive 3-on-the-Tree
- How to Drive a Model-T
- Name That Vehicle!
- Music Inspiration of the 50's 60's & 70's

To find out when one of our courses will be offered, please visit <http://rcscw.classtrackonline.com/>. When you attend one of our courses, we promise to roll out the red carpet for you because education is part of our passion. We will continue to develop and offer additional coursework, so keep checking the website for the latest offerings. Remember, once our building is completed, we will even have two of our own dedicated classrooms where we can hold classes and put on additional seminars as well as host a variety of community learning activities. In addition, we will be able to conduct guided tours showing the actual process of restoration as we teach the craft.

For more information, please contact Herb Clark, President of ARC of SCW at 623-444-7778.

Course Descriptions:

History of the Automobile: A comprehensive look at the beginnings of the automobile, the impact it has had on our society, our landscape and lives. Also included will be tips on basic auto maintenance, purchasing, and avoiding the pitfalls of predator mechanics.

Don't Be Fooled By The 710 (That's OIL Upside-down): Oil is basic to the life of any vehicle. Learn what the different types of oil there are and their uses along with how to check and change your own oil. This is part of our ongoing basic maintenance for your vehicle series.

Help... How Do I Put Fuel In My Vehicle? (My spouse used to do that and now I'm alone.): Today's service station no longer fills the gasoline for you. If your spouse was the one who always did that for you along with other routine maintenance, learn how you too can now do all of that and do it with confidence. This is an individual course where we teach you one-on-one with your vehicle.

Tire Inflation or It's the Donut: Your tires are the only thing between you and the road. It's important to keep them road-ready which includes knowing the proper tread depth and inflation for your safety. Learn when it is best to check the tire pressure, how to do it and even how to know when it's time for a new tires. Don't forget to check the spare tire/donut in your trunk; you never know when you might need it. This is a video course you can view online at YouTube.

It's The Details That Count: The basics of detailing your vehicle whether it's for the car show or for your personal vehicle. You will learn all the tricks and tips the professionals use as well as some shortcuts that will keep your vehicle looking like new longer. We'll even cover how to photograph your vehicle to bring out its best features for a show bill or advertisement.

Savvy Senior Driving Tips: Did you know you should seek out a pull-through parking spot? This course is full of tips, reminders and practical driving advice. It's not a run-of-the-mill course guaranteed to put you to sleep; nope, we promise you will be laughing and learning at the same time!

Car Show Judging: Do you want to win the Concors d'Elegance at Pebble Beach? Learn from one who has won and knows just what it takes to be the best of the best! Learn the art of judging and earning points so you are ready to be judged or sign up to be a judge at ARC's next event and put your new skill to the test. ARC is also sponsoring youth judging in conjunction with Hagerty (a premier collector car insurance company) through their program **Operation Ignite!** at the February 15, 2014, Car Show and Swap Meet in the RH Johnson Complex's parking lot.

Restoration 101, Where Do I Start?: So you want to restore your beloved "bucket of bolts and rust." Will it be a complete body-off restoration or something else? Know your limits; learn what is doable by you and when you should call the professional. Be knowledgeable before you start so you don't give up on it in frustration before you have finished the project.

The Lost Art of Leading: Today's vehicles mostly use plastic fillers for fender repair. However, in yesteryears, lead was used to repair fenders and contour car bodies. That's where the term Led Sled came from! Learn how lead was used and see some of the amazing results of it. Because plastic fillers are used so extensively today, there are few experienced led artists around. But we have one such artist who will work his magic to show you the magnificent benefits and results of leading.

To Bondo or Not To Bondo: There's Bondo, Metal-2-Metal, ALL Metal, RestoGRIP and the list of products goes on and on. What is the proper medium to use for the repair of your vehicle? Learn the differences in what is available today, how they are used and what their outcome is.

Auto Painting with the Master: What does it take to make your vehicle's paint look like new again? Or maybe you want ghost flames on your vehicle and you don't know how it's done. This course will take you through what it takes to make your vehicle look the way you want it. Your imagination is the limit on what paint can do for your vehicle.

Learn to Drive 3-on-the-Tree: Has it been a while since you've heard the term 3-on-the-tree? That's because today's vehicles are almost exclusively automatic transmissions. The era of the 3-on-the-tree is bygone and it is not going to be repeated so the ability to know how to drive a 3-on-the-tree is becoming a lost art. In this course a 3-on-the-tree vehicle will be provided for you to learn this art.

So hang on to your hat because it can be a real roller coaster ride until you learn the smooth operation of the clutch and accelerator.

How to Drive a Model-T: Wait, I just learned how to drive a 3-on-the-tree with a clutch so what is this extra pedal on the floor of the Model-T? The first Model-T's had a low/high gear pedal, back-up pedal and a brake pedal on the floor; the spark and gas were on the steering column; and you started it with a crank on the front of the engine! Wow, that's a lot to remember and sounds VERY complicated compared to today's vehicle! Don't despair, we'll teach you how to drive a Model-T just don't forget which pedal is for stopping!

Name That Vehicle: Learn the difference between body styles for those classic, muscle and vintage vehicles. What makes a muscle car or a pony car and what is MOPAR? Can you recognize the difference between a '55, '56 & '57 Chevy? To say they don't make them like that today is an understatement! See if you can find the gas filler on the 1952 Cadillac!

Music Inspiration of the 50's 60's & 70's: Cars have been the subject of more than just movies and rides at amusement parks; they have also been the subject of some of the most popular music of all time from the 50's, 60's, and 70's. Listen to the tunes of yesteryear, enjoy the nostalgia and learn more about the inspiration of some of the most popular groups and songs back in their day... presented American Bandstand style.