



**Evergreen Aviation Museum**  
The Captain Michael King Smith Educational Institute

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## **Antique Wooden Boats On display with the World's Largest Flying Boat**

***The Evergreen Aviation Museum will host over a dozen antique wooden boats,  
Saturday, July 24.***

MCMINNVILLE, Ore.—Sat., July 24, 2004 – Don't miss the boats. The Evergreen Aviation Museum is home to the world's largest flying boat, the *Spruce Goose*. On Sat, July 24, the massive plane will be joined by a collection of over a dozen wooden boats from owners throughout Oregon. The boats will be displayed by the Antique Classic Boat Society and will represent a mixture of eras from 1930 to 1960. The exhibit will be on display in front of the museum from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, July 24, 2004 and will provide visitors a unique glimpse at a different variation of a wooden boat – those that have never flown.

“This event will be an opportunity for people to re-visit their childhood memories, when they boated and skied on local lakes and rivers in these beautiful mahogany boats,” said Dr. Richard Werner, Director, Antique Classic Boat Society and Yamhill County resident.

Visitors will have the opportunity to talk with the owners of the antique recreational crafts and take in the beauty of the mahogany boats built by Chris Craft and Century, two of the largest producers of boats in the 1930's to the 1960's. The boats will range in size from 15 feet to 23 feet long.

Patrons of the museum will be able to enjoy the visiting boat exhibit as well as the most recent additions including the new smokejumper exhibit, the F6F-3 Hellcat, the F-4 and the B-25 Bomber.

The Evergreen Aviation Museum is best known as the home of the world's largest wooden airplane, the *Spruce Goose*, SR-71 *Blackbird* and Grumman F6F-3 *Hellcat*. In addition, there are more than 55 historic aircraft and exhibits on display, along with aviation artwork, traveling displays, the newly remodeled Spruce Goose Café and the museum store. The Evergreen Aviation Museum's hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., daily except when it is closed for Thanksgiving, Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Easter. An extensive museum store and friendly café add to the Museum experience. The Museum is located at 500 NE Captain Michael King Smith Way, across the highway from the McMinnville Airport and about three miles southeast of McMinnville, Ore., on Highway 18. Regular visitor admission is required. Call (503) 434-4180 for more information, and visit [www.sprucegoose.org](http://www.sprucegoose.org).

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