



Evergreen Aviation Museum
The Captain Michael King Smith Educational Institute

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Evergreen Aviation Museum to Offer Activities in Coordination with the Antique Airplane Fly-In

***The Museum offers an array of activities for visitors coming to McMinnville during the
Northwest Antique Airplane Fly-In August 20-22.***

MCMINNVILLE, Ore. — Fri., Aug. 20 – Sun., August 22. It's worth the trip, and it will be an ideal weekend to visit the Evergreen Aviation Museum. In addition to having the opportunity to see the famous *Spruce Goose*, the *SR-7 Blackbird*, and a display of over 50 historic aircraft, the Evergreen Aviation Museum will offer an additional series of activities for their patrons. Activities will include an array of vintage aviation and modern power: discounts and shuttles for the Northwest Antique Airplane Fly-In, veteran presentations, aircraft walk-thrus, book signings by aviation authors, and an opportunity to see a NASCAR showcar.

In coordination with the Northwest Antique Airplane Fly-In, the museum is offering a free shuttle between the museum and the McMinnville Airport, Aug. 20, 21, and 22, as well as \$1 off admission to all Fly-In patrons. Visitors will have the opportunity to see the antique airplanes, peruse the booths, talk to proud owners, and enjoy the sight of vintage aircraft flying over the field. Fly-In hours are noon-5 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m.- noon Sunday. Fly-In information is available at www.nwaac.com, or call 503-320-9120.

As an added benefit during the fly-in weekend, the museum is featuring special presentations and book signings by aviation authors. Fri. and Sat., at 2 p.m., Jim Kesey, author of "What Am I Doing Here?" will sign books regarding a soldiers experience in Vietnam. Sat. and Sun. at 1 p.m., Steve Vermillion, author of "Dustoff" will sign books about an unarmed medical evacuation team. And, don't miss the special combat crew operations presentation at the B-17 on Sat., by veteran Captain Russell Barney at 12 p.m. and B-17 walk-thrus for \$3/person for the entire day. The children's interactive center will also be open.

The Evergreen Aviation Museum will not only showcase amazing aircraft, but will also be providing a hands-on experience with an 8,000-rpm engine revving on eight cylinders. This is not a flying engine, it's the No. 38 Great Clips Dodge Intrepid driven by NASCAR Busch Series driver Kasey Kahne. It will be on display at the museum on Sat., Aug.

21 and Sun., Aug. 22. Fans will have the opportunity to see, touch and smell the fumes of the Great Clips Dodge showcar from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. each day. For additional information on Kasey Kahne and the Great Clips Racing Team, please visit www.akinsmotorsports.com or www.kaseykahne.com.

The Evergreen Aviation Museum is best known as the home of the world's largest wooden airplane, the *Spruce Goose* and the SR-71 *Blackbird*. In addition, there are more than 50 historic aircraft and exhibits on display, along with aviation artwork, traveling displays, the 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.

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