

# **Building Boats in Marysville**

## ***The History of the Gar Wood Boat Factory***

### **Lecture at the Wills Sainte Claire Auto Museum**



One of many billboards erected in Marysville in the early 1930's.

### ***Did you know that they made boats in Marysville?***

The Wills Sainte Claire Auto Museum is proud to present an entertaining and interesting lecture by Terry Ernest about the Gar Wood Boat Factory on Thursday evening, May 18th, 2017 at 7:30 PM at the Wills Auto Museum located at 2408 Wills Street (Marysville Industrial Park South) in Marysville.

The Gar Wood Boat factory was built in Marysville on the River Road in 1930. For the next 17 years, they produced some of the finest wood runabouts in the world! We will discuss the story behind these remarkable boats that bear the name of the world's greatest speedboat champion. The story of Gar Wood is one of the most compelling tales of achievement of any American sports champion. He individually challenged the nations of the world to build a faster boat than his and then try to beat him. His achievements and records endured for decades. He was an accomplished inventor who at one time held more industrial patents than any other living American. Although the factory no longer stands, we will view images of the both the exterior and interior of the this modern boat factory from the 1930's.

\$5.00 admission charge covers the presentation and admission to the Museum.

Please join us at the Wills Museum at 7:30 PM on May 18th, 2017!

**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.** Please contact Terry Ernest: 810-987-2854

*Proceeds benefit the not-for-profit Wills Sainte Claire Automobile Museum (501c3)*