

The Unique History of the Packard Proving Grounds

Packard, the Pride of Detroit!

Lecture at the Wills Sainte Claire Auto Museum



(L) Timing Tower at the Packard Proving Grounds in the 1930's; (R) Packard Proving Grounds today

The **Packard Proving Grounds** were a proving ground established in Shelby Charter Township, Michigan in 1927 by the **Packard** Motor Car Company of Detroit. It is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The Packard Proving Grounds consisted of a 2.5-mile (4.0 km) high-speed concrete oval track with timing tower, miles of test roads of various conditions, an airplane hangar (Packard was also involved in developing aircraft engines, and used the track's infield as a landing strip), a repair garage, and a gate house/lodge that housed the Proving Grounds manager and his family. The Tudor Revival lodge building also had garage space for eight cars, plus dormitory rooms for visiting engineers.

Join us for an outstanding lecture by Roger Luksik, Vice-President of the Packard Motor Car Foundation

The Wills Sainte Claire Auto Museum is proud to present this entertaining and interesting lecture. The presentation will be Thursday evening, October 24th, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Wills Auto Museum located at:
2408 Wills Street (Marysville Industrial Park South) in Marysville.

\$8.00 admission charge covers the presentation and admission to the Museum.

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

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