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Ventures In Wood

Talk & Tour

SENTINEL STRUCTURES, INC. at Peshtigo, Wisconsin

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Were you aware that Thompson Boat had an intimate hand in introducing the structural glued laminated timber technology to North America? All glued, engineered wood arches were first utilized in Peshtigo, WI in 1934. The Hanisch family brought the technology from their native Germany and the Thompsons were the initial financing and factory space with skilled wood workers to get the industry off its feet.



Arches made in Peshtigo for roof supports of Good Hope Catholic Church in Milwaukee, WI

Mr. Andreas J. Rhude, president of Sentinel Structures, will give a brief presentation of this history and what is being manufactured today. It will include discussion of the marine laminating such as masts and yards for “Old Ironsides” the USS Constitution, made by the firm. Andreas is an enthusiast of fiberglass and wooden boats made by Thompson and her related companies.

Several Thompson classic boats that are awaiting restoration will be on display.



The old Thompson Boat factory is immediately adjacent to Sentinel Structures. Peak in the windows and see where the boats were built from 1912 to 1971

Location of Talk & Tour:

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Reservations highly recommended.

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Wear sensible shoes (no open toes or flip flops). No photography allowed in the factory