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President Randy's Message

WOW! It looks like the local car show season is off to a great start. The Ronald McDonald Cruise in at the Fort Henry Mall was very well attended. It is next to impossible to get a vehicle count there but there were as many as I have ever seen there. On Saturday May 28th the Kingsport Antique & Rod Club had 377 cars register for their show. It was a great turn out. Personally, it surely felt strange not to see Dave Berry's LaSalle and Ford on display there. I hope we can do as well at Fun Fest and Allandale. Jim Caswell has completed the art work and we are ready to order the shirts. I am working on Fun Fest arrangements.

It is not my desire to make my monthly message so depressing, but I do not want us to ignore those among us that need their friends most in these times of crisis and loss.

Too many of our members have been dealing with serious illnesses and several have passed away this year. It has been a difficult year for our region. Since our May meeting we have lost Charter Members: Mack Armstrong and Raymond Heck. Mack was active in the early years of the club and still attended occasional meetings, shows, and club events. Raymond (Wendy) Heck was 101 and at one time had a large car collection of primarily Mustangs. Wendy was a colorful character, great story teller, and fun to be around. Last year he had a large 100th Birthday Party that many of us attended. His wife Kathleen has also had medical problems recently but was released from the hospital in time to spend time with Wendy and attend a grand daughter's wedding. Bob Terry died at NHC - Johnson City on 5 June after a long term illness. Our sympathies go to the Armstrong, Heck and Terry families.

David Berry is at NHC's Kingsport facility having treatment as he recovers from foot surgery. Delphia Cox is at Wexford House with chronic conditions. Margaret Bays is enjoying her larger quarters on the 1st floor at Asbury Center at Baysmont and is now able to enjoy more of her things from her home.

Deborah Crawford is now taking her chemotherapy treatments. We hope they are tolerable and beneficial for her. David Stauffer has been hospitalized at Johnson Center Medical Center with brain tumors after a series of falls. Howard Osborne has been released from the hospital after his stroke and is home recovering.

On Father's Day (Sunday June 19th), we have been asked to display cars at Brookdale Healthcare Center (formerly Remington House) from 3 to 5 pm. I know it is a busy day for many but if you are able please bring a car by and visit with the residents. Please contact me if you can participate (randystill@stilltransfer.net or 423.335.0675).

On Monday, June 20th, we will hold our monthly meeting in the ETSU at Kingsport facilities. The program will be on the Ault Park Concours d'Elegance. Please come and help us plan for Fun Fest and Allandale and spend time with region friends.

After two misfires on our cruise-ins at Sonic, (heavy rains both times and no electrical power at Sonic last month) surely our June 24th Cruise In at Sonic in Colonial Heights will work out better. Come around 6 pm and join members for supper and fellowship as our old cars are on display.

Randy

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Randy Still's 1958 Cadillac at Ault Park Concours d'Elegance-courtesy of Randy.

If you would like to preorder one of the Allandale shirts contact;
David Williams at (423)765-1095 on or before June 20, 2016 to ensure the size and type of shirt and the price for your choice to mark this event.

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You may have never heard of Allen Swift of Massachusetts but many did see him as he drove his green two-tone 1928 Rolls-Royce car in the town of West Hartford for nearly eighty years. He received the automobile as a graduation gift. He stopped driving it a little before his death in October 2005 when he was 102.

His model was a Piccadilly Roadster, chassis number S273FP, built in the plant that Rolls-Royce had in Springfield from 1921 through 1931 for its American market. Piccadilly is one of the most sought-after bodies on the early Rolls-Royce automobiles. Swift's car is one of about 2,500 Phantoms made in Springfield. About 60 percent of those made still exist, most of them in private collections.

The car is on display in Springfield in the industrial heritage museum made possible in part by a \$1 million bequest from Swift. His initial gift gave the seed money to make this new museum a reality. Having that \$1 million enabled them to raise \$8 million for this project.

Swift was the general manager of his family's precious metals business in Hartford. He drove the car around town and sometimes drove it in the town's parades.

Swift holds the record in Guinness World Book of Records as the longest standing original owner.

I heard about this car and had to do a little research to determine that the stories were true. FSL

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