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CELEBRATING THE LEGACY OF GALEN COLE

BANGOR, MAINE – The Cole Land Transportation Museum is pleased to announce a special event honoring the legacy of its founder, Galen Cole. The event will take place on April 30th, 2023, at 1pm at the museum on 405 Perry Rd in Bangor, Maine.

Galen Cole was a distinguished veteran who served in World War II, the Mayor of Bangor, a statewide philanthropist, successful businessman and a passionate collector of historic transportation vehicles. In 1990, he opened the Cole Land Transportation Museum to preserve and showcase the history of land transportation in Maine. Today, the museum features over 200 exhibits, including classic cars, motorcycles, plow trucks, fire engines, military vehicles and much more.

The event will celebrate Galen Cole's life and legacy, highlighting his contributions to the museum and the community. The program will include guest speakers, such as Senator Susan Collins, and performances by the Bangor Band and David Mallett. To conclude the event, guests will be welcomed into the museum lobby for a special ceremony unveiling a new statue of Galen Cole.

"We are honored to pay tribute to Galen Cole, whose vision and dedication have made the Cole Land Transportation Museum a premier institution in Maine," said Jennifer Munson, the museum's director. "This event is an opportunity to celebrate the legacy Mr. Cole left behind and to appreciate the impact his actions had on this community."

While there is reserved seating for those with official invitations, the event is free and open for the public to attend. For questions, please contact the museum at (207)990-3600.