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**East Tennessee Historical Society Honors Greene County Initiatives
With History Awards of Excellence**

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 16, 2016 – The East Tennessee Historical Society’s (ETHS) annual Awards of Excellence were presented at the organization’s Annual Meeting on May 3, 2016 at the Foundry on the World’s Fair Park in Knoxville. Since 1982, the Society has been annually recognizing individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to the preservation, promotion, programming and interpretation of the region’s history. Two Greene County initiatives were among the 31 awards presented.

- **Greeneville Greene County History Museum** received the *Preservation Award* for preservation of the Seth Babb cabin. The cabin of Revolutionary War soldier and pioneer Seth Babb was rescued from the elements, thanks to the work of the Greeneville Greene County History Museum. The cabin was dismantled and rebuilt on museum property across the street from the museum. With the addition of family artifacts, it will serve as a teaching and demonstration tool.
- **Carolyn Gregg** received the *Community History Award* for her contribution to the history of Greeneville and Greene County. Her impressive contributions include research, writing, publications, a children’s book, writing and directing plays, numerous presentations, assisting others with genealogical research, and, with her husband, cleaning, repairing stones, and mowing a historic cemetery (1793).

About the East Tennessee Historical Society:

Established in 1834, the East Tennessee Historical Society has 2,000 members across the United States. Its active publications program includes the biannual genealogy magazine *Tennessee Ancestors*; the annual *Journal of East Tennessee History*; and *Newslines*, as well as other books pertaining to the region’s history. The Society also sponsors the Museum of East Tennessee History, East Tennessee National History Day, and the family heritage programs “First Families of Tennessee” and “Civil War Families of Tennessee.”

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