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East Tennessee History Day
A Brown Bag Lecture with Award-winning Documentaries by Student Winners

PROGRAM: *East Tennessee History Day*, A Brown Bag Lecture and Documentary Presentation by Award-winning East Tennessee Students

DATE: Noon, Wednesday, August 9, 2017

LOCATION: East Tennessee History Center
601 South Gay Street
Knoxville, TN 37902

ADMISSION: FREE | Attendees are encouraged to bring a "brown bag" lunch



(Knoxville, TN) The National History Day (NHD) competition is an annual contest for middle and high school students. Each year middle and high school students advance from school, district, and state levels to compete in the national finals at College Park, Maryland. East Tennessee students have proven amazingly competitive. This program will feature video documentaries by East Tennessee students who have won first place or scored high in nationals. It is especially significant that these entries are based on local stories: a family farm lost to a TVA Dam, a 1929 strike by women workers at a rayon plant in Elizabethton, and the story of a minister/physician who left a lucrative career to establish a mission in the mountains of Sevier County, where his many baby deliveries included the little girl who grew up to become Dolly Parton. Some 500,000 students participate nationally. ETHS is the coordinator for the East Tennessee Region, an affiliate of the national contest.

The program is sponsored by the Gentry Griffey Funeral Chapel & Crematory and is free and open to the public. The lecture will begin at noon at the East Tennessee History Center, 601 S. Gay Street, Knoxville. Guests are invited to bring a "Brown Bag" lunch and enjoy the lecture. Soft drinks will be available. For more information on the lecture, exhibitions, or museum hours, call 865-215-8824 or visit the website at www.EastTNHistory.org.

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