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**East Tennessee Historical Society Honors Anderson County Teachers
With History Award of Excellence**

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 18, 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. An Anderson County initiative was among the 31 awards presented.

- **Jim Dodson & Chris Layton** received the *Teaching Excellence Award* for their work with the Ed Westcott Project, in which students combined a recreation of iconic Westcott photographs with a study of history. This project helps citizens young and old understand the role of Oak Ridge residents in the war effort. Students then shared their work through a video, special programs, exhibits, and a QR code.

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 *Newsline*, 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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