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**East Tennessee Historical Society Honors Cocke County Initiative
with Awards of Excellence in History**

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 9, 2018 – The East Tennessee Historical Society’s (ETHS) annual Awards of Excellence were presented at the organization’s Annual Meeting on May 1, 2018, at the Foundry on the World’s Fair Site in Knoxville. Since 1982, the Society has annually recognized individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to the preservation, promotion, programming, and interpretation of the region’s history. One Cocke County initiative was among the 28 awards presented.

The **Sons of Confederate Veterans James Huff Camp 2243** was the recipient of an ***Award of Distinction***. Camp 2243 is very active in community service. Their many projects include a scholarship fund for high school students and cleaning old cemeteries, noting that one member mapped a cemetery with 900 graves. A kiosk placed by them near Cosby commemorates a battle at Shultz Mill and the story of a quilt buried to protect it from Union forces.

About the East Tennessee Historical Society:

Established in 1834, the East Tennessee Historical Society has 2,000 members across the United States. The Society 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.” 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. For more information on ETHS, exhibitions, or programs, call 865-215-8824 or visit the website at www.EastTNHistory.org.

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