



GREENE COUNTY
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May 8, 2017

Good Morning!

- **Approximately 100 booths have been reserved for the 23rd Annual Iris Festival that will be held May 20-21 in downtown historic Greeneville.** Some of the featured activities include: 2nd Annual Sundown on Depot Car Show, Evergreene Woodcarvers Competition Show & Sale, the Miss Iris Festival Pageant at the Capitol Theatre, Depot Street Farmer's Market across from the Food Bank, continuous entertainment on two stages, and a food court offering all kinds of delicacies. A free shuttle will be available during the hours of the festival Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. For more information on the festival, visit www.greenevilleirisfestival.com. To register for a booth space, contact the Partnership at 423-638-4111 or email gcp@greenevop.com.
- **Tourism will celebrate the impact our visitors have on our community and our tax base this week, May 7-13 during National Tourism Week.** Tammy Kinser and the Tourism Advisory Task Force will award five Presidential Pioneer in Hospitality Award winners, award the 150th visitor to the Andrew Johnson National Historic Site, visit and work at the Bristol Welcome Center, the most visited welcome center in Tennessee, and attend the Northeast Tennessee Tourism Association's Pinnacle Awards in hopes of bringing home a surprise. Tourism is an \$87 million dollar industry in Greene County, ranking us #22 out of 95 counties.
- **The Partnership will be having small group strategic planning sessions on Monday, May 8th and Wednesday, May 10th at the Greene County Partnership.** Monday's sessions will cover Industrial Site Development (9:30-10:30a.m.) and Industrial Recruitment (11a.m.-12 p.m.) and Wednesday's sessions will focus on Workforce (9:30- 10:30 a.m.) and Community Development (11a.m.-12p.m.). These sessions will address the top priorities identified during the strategic planning meeting held in February. Please RSVP to Matt Garland at mgarland@greenevop.com or 423-638-4111 if you would like to attend any of the sessions.

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We Have the Technology . . .

We Have the Team.

- **Laughlin Hospital won the Iron Eyes Cody Traveling Trophy at the Keep Greene Beautiful Golf Tournament April 28.** Members of the team were Larry Coughlin, Tom Gregory, Justin Jeffers and Brian Stayton. Runners-up were members of the Walmart Transportation team: Amber Brandt, Jason Calhoun, Todd Tullock and Brad Whittenburg. Special thanks to contest sponsors, Marsh Propane, Walmart Logistics, Jarden Zinc Products, Air Pro Heating and Cooling, hole sponsors and door prize sponsors; and Greeneville Oil & Petroleum and Coca-Cola for providing beverages.
- **Don't forget to RSVP for the Greene County Partnership May Membership Breakfast scheduled for Tuesday, May 16, at 7:30 a.m. at the General Morgan Inn & Conference Center.** The sponsor of the breakfast is Publix Super Markets. The cost of the breakfast is \$3 with reservations, \$8 without. Please email gcp@greenecop.com or call 638-4111 by Friday, May 12.
- **The Sports Council is working diligently on the 2017 National Junior College Athletic Association's DIII World Series coming up May 25-June 1 at Pioneer Park on the campus of Tusculum College.** Numerous volunteers are needed to work the hospitality area, the ticket booth, the info booth and to help with parking. If you, your church, club or organization would like to volunteer to help, please contact Tammy Kinser at tkinser@greenecop.com or call 423-638-4111. The group is also seeking sponsors for the event ranging from \$1,000 up to \$5,000. A special thanks goes out to Jeff Hollett and John Deere Power Products for signing on as a Grand Slam \$5,000 sponsor.
- **Nominations are being accepted for the Leadership Greene County Class until May 26.** The class will begin with an overnight retreat in August. For more information on the program, contact Jennifer Wilder at kjb@greenecop.com.
- **Space is available for the June Member Emailing.** The deadline to submit a one-page PDF file is Friday, June 2, and the cost is \$100. This is a great opportunity to market products or businesses. Please contact Lori Dowell at the Partnership for more information.
- **Make plans to attend the June Dairy Days Celebration Friday, June 2, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Greene County Fairgrounds Livestock Pavilion.** The event will feature contests, entertainment and free dairy product samples and is coordinated by the Partnership's Agribusiness Committee.
- **The Greene County Partnership welcomes the following new members:** Jessee Law Office, School of Morton, Servicemaster Restore by Carefree, Advanced Cleaning & Restoration, Advantage Sign Co, LLC, Firemen on Call, Northeast TN Association of Realtors and Bonnie Hill, Individual.

Have a great week!!!