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Appraisers and Vendors announced for this weekend's Appraisal Fair along with free seminars on Friday night

GREENEVILLE, TN - The Greene County Partnership Tourism Department's Seventh Annual Antique Appraisal Fair and Show, slated to take place this Saturday at Greeneville High School, will offer experienced appraisers from all walks of antiquing, 40 antique dealers selling their wares, and museum displays as well as a FREE seminar on Friday night and FREE Civil War Presentations throughout the day on Saturday.

This year's event will again feature qualified appraisers from across the Southeast.

John D. Case, the owner of "Case Antiques," along with Harold Smiddy, with over 15 years of experience researching and evaluating American antiques and art and with a specialization in Southern Decorative Arts. John has been a past appraiser for the PBS show "Treasures in the Attic" and has appraised in the area of folk art and furniture.

Kenneth Depew specializes in toys, advertising and sports memorabilia and has a basic, general knowledge of most antiques.

Carol L. Wamble, ISA CAPP from Hermitage, Tennessee is a fully accredited professional appraiser and the owner of Wamble Appraising. Her specialties include: Antiques, Collectibles, Residential Contents, Porcelain, Pottery, Glass, Silver, Decorative Arts, Furniture, Primitives, Art Deco, Art Nouveau, Americana, Books and Toys.

Assisting Carol at the Home show is her associate Deborah Webb, ISA. Deborah Webb is a member in good standing with International Society of Appraisers and is a qualified appraiser of antiques and residential contents. She owns Deborah Webb Estate Moving Sales & Appraisals business in Franklin, TN and works with private, professional and commercial clients in her estate sale and appraisal business.

Mary Jo Case, also from Kingsport, TN, is the owner of “Anchor Antiques” at 137 Broad Street in downtown Kingsport. Her specialties include regional furniture, pottery and textiles. She has 35 years of experience acquiring and selling antiques and providing local appraisals.

New to this year will be certified appraiser Edward Tuten from Memphis that is a general appraiser and specializes in most antiques and local Tony Cobble with D&A Coin.

More than 40 antique dealers will be selling their treasures at this year’s event, including Imogene Turner from Newport, Harold Roth and Gracia Bobbitt from Knoxville, Ann Birdwell from Still Hollow Farm in Greeneville, Junior Gilland from Greeneville, Elaine Jones from Blountville, Sandra Davis from Clinton, Ursula Ricker from Sevierville, Nancy Bickmore and Vintage Décor & More from Greeneville, Pat Cardwell with Pat’s Cardwell from Knoxville, Jolene Gillenwater from Fall Branch, Janie Poe from Jonesborough, Christy Shelton with Pickin’ Place from Afton, George Webb, Jr. with Tennessee Books and Autographs from Rogersville, and Tom Brown with The Tennessean from Knoxville.

Also participating will be Joanie Garbee with Heart’s Desire from Cornelius, NC, Norma Proffitt with Norma’s Dollhouse Antiques from Elizabethton, Paula Majewski

with Kay's House of Antiques from Bulls Gap, Billie McNamara with the The Pack Rat's Nest from Knoxville, Tanasi Antiques from Greeneville, John Gillespie from Bristol, John and Debra Anglin with Trails End Antiques from Tazewell, Greeneville Antique Market, Myra McCurry with Erin, Etc. from Greeneville, Tony Cobble with D&A Coin from Greeneville, Jack Jones from Greeneville, Bill Castle with Antiques Warehouse from Fall Branch, Calvin Patterson with Valley Antiques from Lake City, TN, Jerry Bayne with Valley Antiques, too, from Fairmont, GA, Nick Patrick with Pegasus Collectibles from Kingsport, Russell Young from Morristown and Zena Borlik with The Linen Lady from Mt. Airy, MD.

The Appraisal Fair also features several historical attractions and museums. Carlos Whaley and The East Tennessee Civil War Campaigns will host history presentations for FREE in room 129 of the high school and will feature at 10 a.m. David Haga with "The Story of Union Colonel Samuel K.N. Patton, 8th Tennessee Calvary," 11 a.m. Dr. Robert Orr with "A View of the war 150 years later," 1 p.m. Scott Pruitt with "Civil War Medicine," and 2 p.m. Donna Pruitt with "Civil War Seamstress."

Back this year, for each item a visitor has appraised, their name will be entered into a drawing to win a Sanyo 42" Vizio LCD HDTV compliments of Wal-Mart Distribution.

The Antique Appraisal Fair and Show will take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is FREE and a \$5 fee will be charged per item to be appraised. Concessions will be available through Sno Biz of Greeneville and the Tourism Department of the Partnership will have homemade cakes, cookies, pies and breads for sale.

Sponsors for this year's event are; title sponsor The Greeneville City Schools and other sponsors include; The Greeneville Sun, WGRV/WIKQ/WSMG, 11 Connects, Wal-Mart Distribution, DTR Tennessee, Inc., Andrew Johnson Bank, BB&T, Consumer Credit Union, Corley's Pharmacy, Dixie Home Crafters, East TN Promotions, Holston United Methodist Home for Children, K-VA-T Food Stores, Premium Waters, Print Distribution Services, Rexel, Rodefer Moss & Company, Servpro and Town & Country Event Rentals and Venues. New to this year are sponsors for our appraisers who include: Air Pro Heating & Air, CenturyLink, Comfort Inn, Hampton Inn, McInturff, Milligan & Brooks, Oak Tree Gallery and Tombras Group.

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