

JOIN US THROUGHOUT THE YEAR...

Come back to Houston County in the fall for the **County Fair**. See the talents of our County's residents in the exhibition of their handiwork and enjoy some delicious food and a variety of entertainment and outdoor exhibits. Take time to stroll thru the livestock and agricultural exhibits or take a run through our town in our Houston County Fair 5K, www.houston-co-fair.com. Join the Lions Club in October for their **Annual Car Show**. The weather is crisp and the chrome shines as numerous cars both old and new come out to show. Start your Christmas season and shopping with the **Erin Christmas Celebration** and lighting of the town Christmas tree the first Friday in December. On the third Saturday each month from April through October, check out the **Cruise In On The Square** from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. There is no charge to participate, cars will not be judged, but will be admired. Every Saturday beginning in May, check out the **Farmer's & Artisan Market** from 8:00am until 1:00pm in Betsy Ligon Park in Downtown Erin. Take a stroll and enjoy our local artisans and produce. www.facebook.com/hcfarmersandartisans.

Invite everyone to come visit...

Looking for something unique? Then Houston County has it; along with our **lime kilns** listed on the National Register of Historic Places, **Wells Creek Basin**, opportunities to view the **Eagles** at Danville Lake, McKinnon has an airport, hanger and landing strip where you can often see vintage aircraft flying in for breakfast at the Southernaire Restaurant.

... or are you looking for a shortcut across the Tennessee River? Come to McKinnon to ride the **Ferry**. The Ferry runs from 5:30am til dusk, 365 days a year and for a mere 75 cents you can cross the Tennessee River over to Benton County. The Ferry ride takes a quick seven minutes. The drive around, however, would take you one and half hours. It's a peaceful ride and a unique experience.

If you want to take a beautiful drive across our county, and see the untouched sights, then follow our **Celtic Quilt Trail**. Placed throughout the county & sponsored by individuals & businesses are numerous Celtic inspired quilt blocks. www.celticquilts.wordpress.com

You can also follow the **Tennessee River Trails Scenic Byway** through Houston County and eight other counties across Tennessee. To find a link to the TRT Map www.tennrivertrails.com.

Want to know more about our history???

Come back through the week and visit our **Houston County Archives** and archivist Melissa Barker. It is located in the Basement of our Courthouse on Main Street. Our archives is a place where researchers can come and do their research on everything Houston County as well as be a place where the average citizen can come and see interesting and historical papers and artifacts about Houston County and its people. A display of past Irish Days will be on display and open thru the day March 18th. www.houstoncountyarchives.yolasite.com.

Visit our **Houston County Library** located on South Spring Street, where we have a renowned Genealogy Room and an experienced Library Staff that can help you find information on the County's history or possibly your own ancestors. Find more information by visiting the library online at www.houstoncountylibrary.com or visit them on their Facebook page, Houston County Public Library.

The Library also has information and artifacts from our **Historical Society**. Come back to learn about our history at one of their informative, monthly meetings. Take a few minutes now, to virtually visit them and view some great old photos on their Facebook page, Houston County Historical Society Erin Tennessee.



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56th Annual Irish Day Celebration March 17, 2018 Calendar of Events



Downtown Erin, TN

2018 Irish Day Theme by:

Jonathan Thornburg

Purchase your official
Irish Celebration
T-Shirt at Erin City Hall
\$10.00

www.houstoncochamber.com

2018 Irish Day Celebration Schedule of Events

KICK OFF BREAKFAST

Lord High Mayor and Emerald Award Winners Announced

Erin City Hall

Sponsored by Heritage Bank & Rye's Engineering

Wells Creek Basin Cable Broadcast on Channel 12 - Mike Davis

Friday
March 9th
9:00am

Rotary Golf Tournament

Montgomery Bell State Park Shotgun Start

Contact Ray Fussell 931.721.6447

Saturday
March 10th
8:00am

12th Annual Bass Tournament

Sponsored by R4O

Danville Lake Foul weather date March 24

Contact Chuck Latham at 931.624.1215

Saturday
March 10th
6:00am check in

Coffee and a Concert: Music Through Stained Glass

Houston County High School Forum - \$5.00 per person, drink and a dessert included

Monday
March 12th
7:00pm

The Nashville Irish Trio Concert

Erin United Methodist Church, Spring Street

Sponsored by Houston County Arts Council

Free Admission

Tuesday
March 13th
7:00pm

Irish Potato Bar

Signature Health Care

278 Rocky Hollow Rd. \$7.00 Per Plate - Potato, Drink & Dessert

Friday
March 16th
10:00am - 2:00pm

Carnival

FAMILY NIGHT - Wednesday & Thursday

DOLLAR NIGHT on Friday

Sponsored by Houston County Recreation Club

Tuesday March 13th -
Saturday March 17th

Homecoming Jubilee - Gospel Singing

Yellow Creek Baptist Church, 4506 Ellis Mills Rd.

Thursday
March 15th 6:30pm

Irish Banquet & Silent Auction

Houston County High School Forum

Tickets - \$30 - available in advance at Erin City Hall 931.289.4108

Sponsored by Houston County Area Chamber of Commerce

Friday
March 16th
6:00pm
Social hour at 5:00pm

Houston County Fair Board

Perdue Acoustics Show Grounds, 721 Front St.

Live Music

Friday, March 16th,
7:00pm

BEAUTY PAGEANTS

Houston County High School Forum

Donations for the Bethesda Mission Accepted

Saturday, March 3 - Baby - 10:00am

Saturday, March 3 - Young Miss ages (7-8) (9-10) - 6:30pm

Friday, March 9 - Jr. Miss ages (11-12) (13-14) - 6:30pm

Saturday, March 10 - Emerald Queen - 5:00pm, Ms Houston County - 6:00pm, Miss

Houston County - 7:00pm

SATURDAY MARCH 17TH

Pancake Breakfast

Erin United Methodist Church, corner of Spring and Walnut Streets, \$6.00 - adult, \$4.00 - children under 12

6:30am - 10:00am

Leprechaun Parade

Line up at Erin Nazarene Church

Judging will begin at 10:30

Sponsored by Traditions First Bank

10:30am Costume &
Ride Judging
10:45am Parade

Grand Parade

Main Street Closes at 10:00

Contact: Chastity Cary at 931.289.4171

10:00am Line Up and
Float Judging
11:00am Parade begins

Houston County Archives

Open to the Public

Located on the lower floor of the Houston County Courthouse

9:00am - 4:30pm

Decades of the 70's High School Reunion

Shamrocks & Shenanigans - Court Square

Stop by & visit with classmates throughout the day

9:00am - 4:00pm
(all classes welcome)

Demolition Derby

Perdue Acoustics Show Grounds, 721 Front Street

Sponsored by Houston County Fair - Jason Schmidt 931.721.3945

Power Wheels Competition - Children - bring your own Power

Wheels

Admission - \$10, Children under 5 - free

Gates open 10:00am
Power Wheels Starts at
3:00pm
Derby to follow

ALL DAY - ON THE STREETS OF DOWNTOWN ERIN

ARTS & CRAFTS AND FOOD VENDORS

ON THE STAGE IN THE SQUARE - LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Check out our website for updates and other events going on in Houston County.

www.houstoncochamber.com