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### **Bristol Tennessee Parks and Recreation Department receives Four Star Award from Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association**

The Tennessee Recreation & Parks Association (TRPA) announced the recipients of the association's 2018 Awards Program. The outstanding achievements of individuals, communities, and organizations were acknowledged during the association's 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference in Knoxville.

The City of Bristol Tennessee received the Four Star Award for Public Relations. The TRPA Public Relations Award is presented annually to the agency significantly impacting the public's awareness and recognition of public parks, recreation, and leisure services programs through marketing and public relations.

The Department submitted the "Steele Creek Explorer" for consideration of this award. The Steele Creek Explorer is a joint project between the Parks & Recreation Department and the Department of Community Relations. This nature themed BTN-TV educational program stars the City's very own Jeremy Stout. Jeremy is the Manager of the Steele Creek Park Nature Center and also serves as the City's Naturalist and Arborist. "Jeremy has a very unique talent that comes to life in front of camera," said Parks and Recreation Director Terry Napier.

Napier continued, "Behind the camera, Brennan Dye, Senior Media Production Specialist in the Department of Community Relations has consistently gone above and beyond to video, edit, and produce this very popular program. Our first episode aired in October of 2011 and now with more than 20 episodes completed, we are just getting warmed up. We plan to continue with more great episodes for the future." The extensive collection of the programs may be watched by logging on to the City's YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/watchbntv](http://www.youtube.com/watchbntv) click on playlist to find Steele Creek Explorer series.

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