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## TVFCU Opens People's Choice Voting for Idea Leap Grant Finalists

Tennessee Valley Federal Credit Union (TVFCU) is inviting the community to vote for a People's Choice Finalist in each regional Idea Leap Grant competition, which supports entrepreneurs across TVFCU's 17-county service area.

A total of \$225,000 in grants will be awarded, with winners in Chattanooga, Northwest Georgia, and Ocoee Regions receiving between \$10,000 and \$30,000. The People's Choice winners will join other finalists selected by community judges in live pitch competitions.

**Voting Details:**

- Opens: March 31 at 8:00 a.m.
  - Closes: April 4 at 5:00 p.m.
- Vote at: [tvfcu.com/vote](http://tvfcu.com/vote)

**Pitch Competition Broadcasts:**

- Northwest Georgia: May 5, 11 a.m. – Local 3 News
- Ocoee Region: May 6, 11 a.m. – Local 3 News
- Chattanooga (Live Event): May 8 (RSVPs open soon)

Since its launch, TVFCU's Idea Leap Grant has awarded over \$720,000 in grants and scholarships. For more information, visit [tvfcu.com/idealeap](http://tvfcu.com/idealeap).

Follow TVFCU on social media for updates.

## Community News You Can Use

- Public touring hours for **The Food Hub** on Thursday, March 27 will be from 3pm - 6pm. There is a private event happening inside before then and only invited guests will be allowed entry before 3 pm.
- **TONIGHT, Wednesday March 26 at 6:00pm**, there will be an interest meeting for those interested in serving as McMinn County Little League Umpires. The meeting will take place at the Athens Regional Park umpire room at the softball fields. This is an open invitation to any and all that have interest in umpiring Little League baseball this season. For more information please contact Danny Wilson at 423-381-5470.

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◆ *Hope From the Well* host, **Julie Tillis** invites you to tune in to the program this week. *Hope From the Well* is heard every Thursday morning at 8:15 am on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5.

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**Wed. - Sunny. High 67.**  
**Wed. night - Mostly Clear.**  
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**Thurs. - Sunny. High 69.**  
**Thurs. night - Partly Cloudy.**  
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## Obituaries

## McMinn County EDA Hosts "Bites & Insights" Event to Promote Work-Based Learning

**Alfred Bertram "Johnny" Cate, Jr.**, 86 of Athens, passed away on Friday, March 21. He graduated from Memphis State with a Bachelor of Arts in History and a Master's in Latin American. Johnny served in the United States Army in the Vietnam War. A celebration of life will be held at Smith Funeral Home in Athens at 1:00 pm, on Thursday, March 27. There will be a visitation from 12:00-1:00 pm prior to the service. Burial will follow in Sullins Cemetery in Athens immediately following the service. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is honored to serve the family of Alfred Bertram "Johnny" Cate, Jr.

The McMinn County Economic Development Authority is set to host "Bites & Insights", an event designed to help organizations integrate Career & Technical Education (CTE) students into the workforce. The event aims to provide practical tips and strategies for implementing work-based learning (WBL) programs.

The event will take place on Thursday, April 3 from 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM at the McMinn Higher Education Center.

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Learn from industry professionals about the benefits of adding WBL to your organization. And engage in Q&A discussions and roundtable talks with WBL experts.

Organized under the MCWORKS initiative, this event is a step toward "Building Tomorrow's Workforce Today!"

For more details, visit the McMinn County Economic Development Authority's website or social media pages.

## SPRING OPEN HOUSE - APRIL 1

Attend Open House and learn all there is to becoming part of the Bulldog Family!

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### Art Workshop Classes at the Overhill



The Tennessee Overhill hosted a class on Sashiko, Japanese Needlework last week as part of their series of local art classes at the L&N Depot. It was fun with a great turn-

out, taught by local fabric artist, Linda Bosket. Their next class will be on Pebble Art, April 17th & modern basket weaving on May 17th.

Classes are sponsored by the Tennessee Overhill & the Tennessee Arts Commission. To sign up log on to Eventbrite or call the TN Overhill office at 423-236-7232.

### Trooper indicted on charges in Bledsoe Co.

On August 8, 2024, at the request of 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney General Courtney Lynch, TBI agents began investigating allegations involving Jeremy Wayne Newcome (DOB: 12/26/1976). The investigation revealed that Newcome, while off-duty, responded to the scene of a deadly crash in Pikeville involving a family member who was the driver.

This week, the Bledsoe County Grand Jury returned indictments charging Newcome with one count of Tampering with or Fabricating Evidence, one count of Official Misconduct, and one count of Accessory After the Fact. He was booked into the Bledsoe County jail on a \$25,000 bond.

The charges and allegations referenced in this release are merely accusations of criminal conduct and not evidence. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt and convicted through due process of law.

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## McMinn County Arrest Reports

**Robert Miller**, 50 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for State Violation of Probation. No Bond.

**Cassandra Burk**, 26 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for DUI and Driving without a License. Total Bond: \$6,000.

**Stephanie Austin**, 36 of Etowah, was arrested by the Etowah PD for Public Intoxication and Unpaid Child Support. Total Bond: \$2,669.89

**Olivia Russell**, 23 of Tellico Plains, was arrested by the MCSO for Theft of Property. Total Bond: \$30,000.

**Jamie Spurling**, 45 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for Tampering with Evidence, Simple Possession and Casual Exchange of a Controlled Substance. Total Bond: \$8,000.

**Williams Monroe**, 51 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation, Failure to Appear, Driving on a Revoked License, and Simple Possession of a Schedule II substance. Total Bond: \$47,000.

**Casey Watson**, 27 of Tellico Plains, was arrested by the MCSO for Possession of a Schedule V Substance and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Total Bond: \$10,000.

**Miguel Rivera-Gonzalez**, 24 of Lenoir City, was arrested by the MCSO for Aggravated Sexual Battery. Total Bond: \$80,000.

**Nicholas Thompson**, 36 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Financial Responsibility, Driving on a Revoked License, Violation of Vehicle Registration. Total Bond: \$1,000

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