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AT CHEROKEE FARM

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# UT RESEARCH PARK GENERAL

## February - March 2025 Food Truck Schedule



The long awaited and requested Food Truck Schedule is completed and will be released Quarterly!

[Click To Download Schedule](#)

Reminder: **Food trucks are worked by people** and those people have lives. Cancellations are possible, but not expected. We will notify based on the earliest notice if they do.

**NEW LOCATION OPENING SOON**

WE ARE SO EXCITED TO INTRODUCE YOU TO OUR THIRD LOCATION AT THE UT RESEARCH PARK! DOORS OPEN ON FEB. 17, 2025 @ 8 AM!

🕒 **08.00 AM**  
Until 05.00 PM

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📅 **Monday 17 February**

📍 2730 CHEROKEE FARM WAY, STE. 200, KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

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## The Golden Roast to Open 3rd Location at Park

The Golden Roast, a popular local coffee shop, will open its third location at the University of Tennessee Research Park in the Innovation South Building on Feb. 17, 2025, at 8 a.m.

The new shop marks the first of several planned on-site food and restaurant options for the research park, offering a convenient spot for employees, researchers and visitors to enjoy coffee and light bite

[Read More Here!](#)

# Materials & Manufacturing (IAMM)



Left – Chris Morris | Right – Susan Kenney  
Middle – Grace Loy  
*Photo Cred: Courtney Brown*

## Chris, Grace, & Susan Receive Impact Awards For IAMM Safety

At the Research Park, Safety is at the top of our priorities. Chris, Grace and Susan practice that core value everyday, and we couldn't be more appreciative. A Big Orange Thank you goes out to you three, and the IAMM Team

[Read more about the win here!](#)

## Innovation North



### CEC Knoxville Welcomes Ken Barry, P.E.

"CEC is pleased to announce Ken Barry, P.E., BC. WRE, F. ASCE, has joined [CEC Knoxville](#) as a Principal in its [Water Resources](#) practice.

He is a Professional Engineer with more than 40 years of diverse experience in . . . "

[Read more yourself more on their website!](#)

## Innovation South



Lillian Lovingood | Spark Program Manager

### CFDC NEW HIRE FOR 2025

We're excited to announce the hire of our newest team member – [Lillian Lovingood!](#)

Lillian brings a wealth of experience and a passion for driving impactful initiatives. Her role at the Spark Innovation Center underscores her commitment to empowering tech startups and helping them leverage resources to achieve their full potential.

Lillian's expertise and collaborative approach make her a valuable asset to the the broader entrepreneurial ecosystem.

Starting off the new year of 2025, IACMI hosted [InnoCrate](#) at the newly developed Innovation South building at the UT Research Park at Cherokee Farm. This unique event blended a “bring your kid to work” day with an interactive scientific playground, sparking curiosity and creativity in young minds.

[Take a moment to read!](#)



## Orthopaedic Institute



### Dr. Greg Mathien named SEC Team Physician of the Year

[Dr. Greg Mathien](#), senior orthopaedic surgeon for Tennessee Athletics and sports medicine specialist at Knoxville Orthopaedic Clinic (KOC), has been named the [2025 Team Physician of the Year for Orthopedics by the Southeastern Conference \(SEC\)](#).

He is the third KOC physician to be honored by the SEC.

## Spark Innovation Center



### UT & ThermoVerse Collab for Room Temp Technology

“A collaboration between Xiangyu Li, and ThermoVerse, a Spark Cleantech Accelerator and Innovation Crossroads startup company founded by Shantonio Birch that creates smart insulation material systems (SIMs)....”

[Read more here!](#)

### Skuld Wins IMPACT 2.0 Project Call

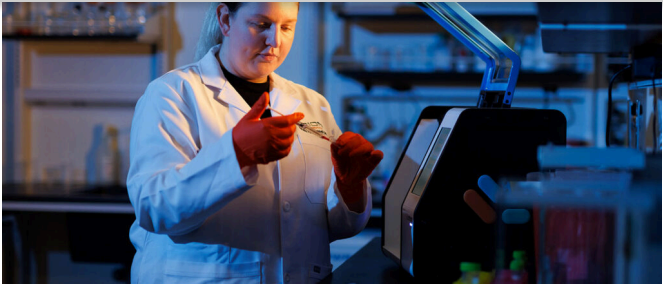
Manufacturing startup Skuld is selected as a winner of the America Makes Challenge, funded by the Office of the Secretary of Defense Manufacturing Technology Program.

This Innovation Crossroads company and Spark Cleantech Accelerator graduate, in collaboration with IAMM and UT’s Dr. Dustin Gilmer, will soon compete in America Makes Topic 3, Part B – Rapid Casting Demonstration Challenge



**SKULD**

IMPACT 2.0  
Project Call Winners



## Entrepreneurs from Ideation to Realization

“Technology entrepreneurs with big ideas for new businesses can turn their dreams into reality at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

[Read more here!](#)

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