



Love, Peace, and Manna

The Manna Cafe Ministries newsletter

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"Share your food with the hungry, and give shelter to the homeless. Give clothes to those who need them."
—Isa. 58:7, NLT



GOLDEN Gala

NOVEMBER 3, 2023

BY DEBRA SUTTON

It's time to make plans for the Manna Cafe Golden Gala. This year's event promises to be bigger than ever. The venue has been moved to the spacious Wilma Rudolph Event Center situated in Liberty Park. Enjoy a memorable evening benefitting a very worthy cause.

The Gala will feature an elegant dinner catered by Manna Cafe Catering and decadent desserts by Miller's Confections. Live musical entertainment and engaging speakers will fill the air with love and laughter for Clarksville's most compassionate donors. A live auction of original pieces from area artists and unique experiences from regional attractions will spark excitement among competitive bidders. The evening will be topped off with the drawing of the winner in our vintage 1981 Corvette raffle. (You do not have to be present to win.)

For tickets & details scan the QR code.





PUBLIX SUPER MARKETS
CHARITIES

Manna Cafe Awarded Grant from Publix Super Market Charities

As part of The Publix Super Market Charities Grants program, Manna was selected to receive a \$6,000 grant. This award is designated to support food rescue efforts and food distribution in Montgomery and Stewart Counties.

Thank you Publix Super Market Charities.

Holbrook tapped new Manna COO



The Manna Cafe Board of Directors is proud to announce that Kim Holbrook has accepted the position of Chief Operating Officer.

Kim was formerly the Volunteer Coordinator

and Executive Assistant. “Kim has a great heart for Manna and the knowledge of how all the pieces work together to make us successful,” explains CEO Vicki York. “She has made the transition seamlessly, and I’m excited about our future with Kim on the leadership team.”

Congratulations Kim!

A Lot Got Done Last Month

Due to the generosity of our donors, Manna Cafe provided Montgomery and Stewart County residents with:

- 4,322 hot meals at our Mobile Cafe locations
- 2,084 carts of food
- 168 hot showers for the homeless
- case work benefits for 83 clients
- 1,410 mini-meals for children



For only \$19 per month you can make a huge difference in the lives of thousands in our community.

MannaCafeMinistries.com/donate



Remembering our friends

BY VICKI YORK

This summer, Manna Cafe lost five people we cared about deeply in less than five weeks.

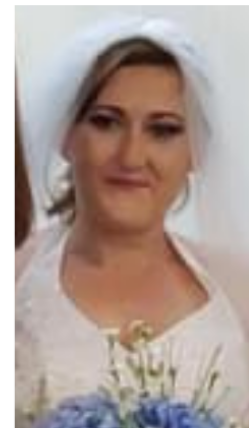
Life is difficult, to put it mildly, for the homeless. Our mission at Manna is to offer our homeless clients a hand up, whether a hot meal, rehab services, shelter from freezing weather, or job placement assistance. As we invest in people's lives, they move quickly from clients to friends – some would even say family. They're our peeps for whom we gladly go the second mile not because it's easy but because that's simply what we do. When any of our five friends needed guidance or simply wanted to sit and have a conversation, our staff and volunteers treated them with kindness, and that's a great comfort to me.

The death of a client who's become a friend is one of the most difficult aspects of ministry and nonprofit work, and these recent losses left us reeling. True to form, however, several staff members and volunteers channeled their grief by pulling together memorial services for all five of our friends so they'd be remembered and honored. I'd like to do the same through this brief commentary.

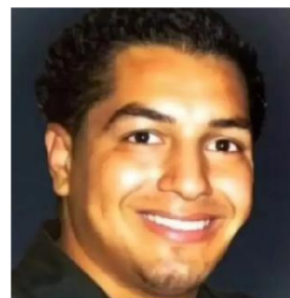
To Shawna (Shorty) Hutson, Dominic Chacon, Albert (Tater) Wheelus, Erma Nicole (Nikki) Tippy, and Kyle Drum: It was a pleasure to know and serve each of you. Your Creator knew you even before you were born, and you mattered. Your story was cut short, but you were loved. Rest in peace.



Kyle Drum



Erma Nicole Tippy



Dominic Chacon



Shawna Hutson



Albert Wheelus

Win a cool car and feed the hungry!



At Manna Cafe Ministries, our mission is to serve God by feeding undernourished bodies and souls in our community. Your support enables us to offer hope and spread love.

Get your ticket(s) today! Time is running out!



For complete details on the 1981 Corvette and rules for the raffle, follow the QR code or go to MannaCafeMinistries.com.



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***Join the battle against hunger
in our community***

Saturday

November 11

10 a.m. - 6p.m.

**Do your shopping and make a donation
at any of these locations:***

Kroger, Madison St.
Kroger, Dover Crossing
Kroger, Lowe's Dr.
Hilltop Market
Dollar General, Madison St.
Walmart, Ft. Campbell Blvd.
Walmart, Wilma Rudolph Blvd.

Walmart, Sango
Walmart Market, Dover Crossing
Walmart Market, Whitfield Rd.
Walmart Market, Tiny Town Rd.
Piggly Wiggly, Dover
Dollar General, Dover (x2)
Dollar General, Indian Mound
Dollar General, Woodlawn

*Subject to change

Groups, teams, or individuals:

***help gather donations at participating
grocery stores around Clarksville and
Dover.***

Register today online at
[combathunger.mannacafeministries.
volunteerhub.com](http://combathunger.mannacafeministries.volunteerhub.com)



***"The generous will themselves be blessed, for
they share their food with the poor."***

-Proverbs 22:9 (NIV)



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