

# **INVITATION INSPIRATION**

Planning an event and not sure what to say on the invite? Check out the wording used on these sample invitations and announcements for inspiration.

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#### **BABY**

# **Baby Announcements**

(Girl)

It's a wiggly, giggly girl!
Kaitlin Elizabeth Sanders
born on March 30, 2008
7 pounds, 18 inches
Proud parents: Brad and Sarah
Slightly suspicious older brother: Evan

We're tickled PINK!
Kaitlin Elizabeth Sanders
was born on March 30, 2008
at 5:18 p.m.
We couldn't love her more
and can't wait for you
to meet her!
Sarah and Brad

(Boy)

Big news! Tiny tot!
We're so happy to announce the birth of Sam Richard Sherman
January 12, 2008, at 2:55 p.m.
8 pounds 10 ounces
19 inches
Christine and Louis

Introducing the fun little guy who's rocking our world!

Jack Oliver McKenna born September 2, 2008

at 11:06 p.m.

7 pounds 2 ounces and 18 inches of cuteness!

Parents and co-presidents of the fan club are

Matt and Rachel McKenna

### (Religious)

Sharing our joy!
God has blessed us
with a beautiful baby boy (girl)
Tobe Ray Ford
born September 2, 2008
at 11:06 p.m.
7 pounds 2 ounces

Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a real blessing. Psalm 127:3 (GNT)

## (Twins)

Woo-hoo for two!
Maria Michelle
5 lbs 8 oz
22 in
and
Jason Steven
5 lbs 10 oz
23 in
Christine and Louis Sherman

### (Baptism)

You're part of our baby's
circle of love...
Please join us for the baptism of
Lily Rebecca Hughes
Sunday, April 30
10:00 a.m.
St. Mary's Catholic Church
511 W. Jefferson Street
Wentzville, Indiana
We would love to share
this blessed day with you!
Becky and Mike Hughes

# **Baby Showers**

(Boy)

It's a Boy—oh, boy!
Let's "shower" mom-to-be
Amanda Bradley
with diapers, jammies, and rattles—oh, my!
May 11
5 p.m.
1234 Diaper Drive
Hosted by Mary and Kate Olsen.
RSVP to 123.234.3456
Amanda is registered at Pottery Barn.

(Girl)

A new little sweetheart
is on her way...
Please join us for a baby shower to honor
mommy-to-be
Amanda Bradley.
May 11
5 p.m.
1234 Diaper Drive
RSVP to Margaret at 123.234.3456
Amanda is registered at Babies R Us and Pottery Barn.

(General)

Baby Miller
to arrive...
Let's help Mom Rachel
get ready!
Saturday, October 16
3:00 p.m.
655 W. 72nd Street
Hosted by Katie Schroeder
RSVP 123-456-7890
The Millers are registered
at The Baby Store.

It's almost time for

# (Couples)

You're invited to celebrate
the upcoming arrival of
Baby McDaniels
into the lives of parents
Maddie and Curtis
with a couples shower
Saturday, November 2
2:00 p.m.
at the home of
Jack and Julie Goodwin
908 Orchard Drive
RSVP 123-456-7890
The new parents are registered at
The Baby Store.

## (Twins)

1 + 1 = Double the Fun!

Sue and Cal Smith

are having twins,

and you're invited to a shower

in their honor!

Lunch will be served.

Please RSVP to 813.234.3456

Sue and Cal are registered at Babies R Us.

### **BIRTHDAYS**

### **Adult-Casual Birthday**

Party Up, Party Down,
Party All Around the Town!

(Well, Actually—Party at Our Place.)

It's Rocky's Birthday.

Come help him celebrate
Saturday, September 20

4:00 p.m.

at Sandy & Rocky's

333 Cove Road

It's casual—so leave your butler at home.

Regrets Only (555) 123-4567

(No gifts, please.)

### Adult-Milestone

(Most suited for 40, 50, 60 years)

OK, OK,
Marta Nicholson is turning 40—
but who's talking?
And who's counting?
Not us!
But we are celebrating the occasion
Saturday, November 5
8:00 p.m.
819 Wildwood Road
Call Gary with your RSVP
123-456-7890
No presents, please.
Just bring yourself.

OMG! Amanda's 40!
(But doesn't look it!)
Let's get together and help Amanda make it a great day and a happy memory.
Saturday, November 5
8:00 p.m.
819 Wildwood Road
Call Gary with your RSVP
123-456-7890
No presents, please.
Just bring yourself.

Does Angie Patterson look 40?

Heck no!

Come and see for yourself!

Saturday, November 5th

8:00 p.m.

819 Wildwood Road

Call Gary with your RSVP

123-456-7890

No presents, please.

Just bring yourself.

50? Susan Randall? NO WAY!
Come and see for yourself!
Saturday, November 5
8:00 p.m.
819 Wildwood Road
Call Gary with your RSVP
123-456-7890
No presents, please.
Just bring yourself.

Abigail Wilson is turning 50.
This requires drinks.
And it requires your presence
to help make it the fabulous celebration
it deserves to be.
Abigail's OK with the number and all,
but she definitely is not OK
celebrating without you.

There are certain outfits
only women of substance, confidence
and, yes, "a certain age"
can pull off.

Shannon Baker is one of those women.
Shannon is turning 60,
and nobody ever did it
with more grace and style.

Please come to Shannon's celebration
and see for yourself
how a truly great woman

lives her life and welcomes its next chapter
with passion, guts, and glamour to spare.

It's Rocky's 60<sup>th</sup>!
Help him "get down"!
(Then help him get back up again.)
Come for a birthday bash
Saturday, September 20
4 P.M. till we're done
at Sandy & Rocky's place
333 Cove Road
Let's party while we still look good!
Regrets Only (555) 123-4567

# Adult-Surprise Birthday

Kathy's not telling how old she is, but we're still going to celebrate.

Let's give her a big surprise on Saturday, November 5
8:00 p.m.
819 Wildwood Road
Call Gary with your RSVP
123-456-7890
No presents, please.
Just bring yourself.
Drinks and desserts will be provided.

# Baby's 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday

(Boy)

ONE sweet party!
It's Tyler St. John's first birthday!

Hope you can come join in the fun! We will smoosh cake, take lots of photos, and share the booty (party favors for all)!

Friday, March 16, at 3 p.m.

It's all happening at

183 Snapdragon Lane,

Questions? Regrets? Anything?
Call Maria (Tyler's mom) at 888-2515

Adult supervision is provided if parents can't stay.

(Girl)

Our Little Cupcake, Andie Bonner, Is One!
And to celebrate, Andie's having a cupcake party!
You're invited to join in the goodies, the games,
the fabulous cupcakes, sugar sprinkles, and all the fun
at 3 p.m. on Friday, May 31, 2009
at Andie's house,
237 Alabaster Lane
(Parents welcome, too!)
Regrets only—Melissa Bonner, 879-6530

# Kid's Birthday

(Boy)

A Big Birthday Adventure Awaits!
You're invited to join
Christopher Andrews
as he embarks on a day of birthday fun!
The journey begins
on May 11 @ 5 p.m.
1234 Candle Lane
RSVP 123.234.3456

(Girl)

You're invited
to Lauren Miller's pretty princess
cake- and ice cream-filled
birthday party!
May 11
5:00 p.m.
1160 Sunnybrook Lane
RSVP to 123.234.3456

(General)

You're invited
to Lauren (Loren) Miller's extra-special,
super-duper fun,
cake- and ice cream-filled
birthday party!
May 11
5:00 p.m.
1160 Sunnybrook Lane
RSVP to 123.234.3456

### **GENERAL ENTERTAINING**

#### Casual

Hang Out at Our Hangout
No big occasion
No big deal
Just nibbly things and drinkly things,
friends and fun
Saturday, September 20
6 P.M. till whenever
at
Sandy & Rocky Beach's place

Catch up with your friends over drinks and snacks at a very casual get-together
Saturday, September 20
5 P.M. till we all nod off

333 Cove Road

at

Sandy & Rocky Beach's place 333 Cove Road We've cleared a space just for you!

Drop In! Hang Out!
Drinks & Snacks
at our place
Saturday, September 20
5 P.M. till we all nod off
at
Sandy & Rocky's

333 Cove Road

Food! Friends! Fun!
Sound good?
Then join us on May 11 at 5 p.m.
1234 Party Drive
Just bring yourself
and we'll take care of the rest!

Every hour should be Happy Hour!
We'll be serving up
liquid happy and munchies
starting at 5 p.m. on May 11
at the Petersons'
1234 Cocktail Drive

Join Sandy & Rocky
for
Small Talk & Large Drinks!
Saturday, September 20
6 P.M. till whenever
333 Cove Road
featuring finger food,
music & friends

Directions on our Web site: <u>S&R@CoveRoad.rr.net</u> or call (555) 123-4567

### FORMAL—MISCELLANEOUS

Please Join Us

Richard and Amanda Waterson invite you to celebrate the engagement of their daughter, Lelia Rose, to Mr. Miles Sawyer of Rochester, NY, Sunday, the fourteenth of March, from three o'clock to five o'clock in the afternoon 15 Picardy Lane R.S.V.P. 984.333.9847

Please come for brunch
Sunday, September 21
10:30 A.M.
at the home of
Sandy and Rocky Beach
333 Cove Road
Regrets Only (555) 123-4567
Directions: S&RBeach@coveroad.rr.net

or call

Please join us
for
coffee, dessert, and conversation
Saturday, September 20
8 P.M.
Sandy and Rocky Beach
333 Cove Road
Regrets Only (555) 123-4567
Directions: S&RBeach@coveroad.rr.net
You are cordially invited
for drinks, dinner, and conversation
on Saturday, the twenty-first of September,
at seven o'clock in the evening
204 English Circle
Bill and Emily Hollingsworth

### WEDDING/BRIDAL

#### **Announcements**

(General)

Two tickets to paradise!

We're thrilled

to share the news with you

that we were married

on February 10, 2008

during a beachfront ceremony

in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico.

We're home now and settling in at

323 Lakeside Drive, #41

Chicago, IL 32441

(333) 333-3333

(No gifts—Just your warm thoughts!)

With sand in their toes and stars in their eyes...
Gabriella Cruz and
Tony Roman were married on September 30, 2008 in a private ceremony at Cabo San Lucas, Mexico.

### (Religious)

With the blessing of their families,
Rebecca Taylor
and John Romano
were married
Sunday, June 8, 2008
in a private ceremony before God
and His beautiful creation
near Vail, Colorado.
They will be making their
new home together in Denver.

### Bachelorette Party

Once upon a time...

Amanda Bradley
found her Prince Charming,
and all her princess girlfriends
got together for a bachelorette party
May 11 at 5:00 p.m.
Brio Restaurant
Hosted by Princess Mary and Princess Jane.
RSVP: 123.234.3456
Princess Amanda is registered at Pottery Barn.

Special "Engagement"
Appearing one night only...
Bachelorette Amy
on her "Farewell to Singledom" tour
Friday, August 16
Showtime: 7:00 p.m. at McCoy's for dinner and drinks
Encore: Dancing to follow at The Blue Room Lounge
Call Maria to make your reservations
123.456.7890

Girls Just Wanna Have FUN!
(...especially when one of us is about to get MARRIED!)
Let's celebrate with Amy, our favorite bride-to-be
Saturday, October 26
8:00 p.m.
Meet at McCoy's
1113 W. Main
Bring your dancin' shoes!

A girl needs her gal pals.

(Especially when she's about to get in-laws.)

Let's show bride-to-be Amy a crazy-fun time!

Girls' Night Out

Saturday, October 26

8:00 p.m.

Meet at McCoy's for drinks and dancing 1113 W. Main

### **Ceremony Invitation**

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Pierce request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter *Danielle Rebecca* 

to

Gregory Philip Malone
Saturday, the sixth of September
two thousand and eight
at half after six o'clock in the evening
Unity Temple on the Plaza
707 West 47<sup>th</sup> Street
Kansas City, Missouri

Together with their families,
Elizabeth Simms and Blaine Nash
invite you to join them
in the celebration of their marriage
Saturday, October 25, 2008
at 6:30 p.m.
Lakeview Church
47 Beachway Drive
Indianapolis, Indiana

You're invited to join us as we begin the adventure of a lifetime... Danielle Rebecca Pierce will wed Gregory Phillip Malone on September 6, 2008 at 5:00 in the evening in the mountains near Estes Park, Colorado

Jennifer Barnes
and
Nate Harrison
will be married in a small sunset ceremony
on Mackinac Island, Michigan
September 10, 2008
at 6:30 p.m.
Please join them as they celebrate
this happy occasion
with close friends and family.

Lynn Conway and Richard Barnson request the honor of your presence at their wedding ceremony.

May eleventh, two thousand and eight at five o'clock in the evening Central Union Church 1234 Love Road

Kansas City, Missouri 64123

Dinner reception to follow at the Hollow Tree Inn.

RSVP by March 27, 2008

123,234,3456

(Destination)

No distance is too far
for love...
Please join
Kaitlin Marie Williams
and
Scott Andrew McNeil
as they travel to
Cabo San Lucas, Mexico
to be married
Saturday, August 16
at 5:00 p.m.
on the beach at the Hotel Paradise
5200 Beach Front Road

Once upon a time
Dana Stewart and Michael Swanson
fell madly in love
and wanted to invite those
closest to their hearts
to be there when they got married in Hawaii
on May 11, 2008
at 5 o'clock in the evening
at the Surfer Hotel.
A lovely dinner reception
and a lifetime of happily-ever-after
will follow.

Please visit our Web site <u>www.danaandmichael.com</u> for more details.

Destination: Wedded Bliss Please join us as we celebrate the marriage of our daughter Samantha Lynn

to

Jason Phillip Tanner
on Friday, May 23, 2008
at Laguna Beach Resort
Nassau, Bahamas
Your presence would mean so much...
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Erikson

### (Religious)

With deep love for one another and faith in God Rachel Lea McKenna and Jason Patrick Young will be wed on Saturday, May 5 at 5:00 p.m. in the Rose Garden at St. Mary's Church Charleston, South Carolina. As part of their close circle of family and friends, they hope you will be able to join them in this happy occasion.

Your presence
would be a blessing
at the wedding of
Rachel Lea McKenna
and
Jason Patrick Young
as they join their
hearts and lives
before God and family
Sunday, June 10
2:00 p.m.
The Rose Garden
at St. Mary's Catholic Church
Charleston, South Carolina
A small reception will follow.

### Rehearsal Dinner

The Course of True Love
(Plus Appetizers & Dessert)
Rehearsing is hungry work,
so please join us
for a rehearsal dinner
in honor of
Sandy Beach and Rocky Shore
on Friday, September 19
at 7:30 p.m.
Crafty Crayfish Inn
333 Cove Road
Hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Hale D. Shore
R.S.V.P. (555) 123-4567

#### Shower

Time to get lacy and racy!
Let's shower Rachel with things
to keep "married life" interesting!
Saturday, September 22
3:00 p.m.
Amy's House
115 W. Maple
Sizes: \_\_\_

Prizes to all who make her blush! (Alternative headline: It's time to get girlie!)

A wedding's on the way! Please come celebrate Amy's upcoming marriage to Ross with a bridal shower... Saturday, May 4 3:00 p.m. at the home of Janelle Briggs 1114 Appleton Road R.S.V.P. 123-456-7890 The couple is registered at Macy's. Gifts of fun and laughter for her happy-ever-after! Please come for a casual and fun bridal shower to celebrate **Amy Patterson** (soon to be Greenleaf) Saturday, May 4 3:00 p.m. at the home of Janelle Briggs 1114 Appleton Road RSVP 123-456-7890 Amy is registered at Macy's.

Celebrating the beginning
of a lifetime of love...
Please come to a bridal shower
in honor of
Lisa Anderson
Sunday, June 15
2:00 p.m.
at the home of Mary Ann Stewart
1872 Nottingham Court
Please RSVP by June 10
123-456-7890

### (Couples)

at Macy's and Kohl's.

Showering Together Already!

Join us

in a wedding shower for

Sandy Shore & Rocky Beach

Saturday, September 20

4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

333 Cove Road

Light refreshments will be served

(Wetsuits optional)

Sandy and Rocky are registered

at BrideandGroom.com (ID# 47561)

Regrets Only: (555) 123-4567

### (Religious Couples)

"...and two shall become one." Mark 10:8 (NKJV) Please join us for a wedding shower honoring Rachel McKenna and Jason Young as they prepare for their new life together. Saturday, March 15 2:00 p.m. 904 N. College Hosted by Carol Hill and Janet Caldwell **RSVP** 123-456-7890

Faith. Hope. Love.
Rachel and Jason
have the essentials covered...
but let's help out
with a few "extras"!
Please come for
a wedding shower
Saturday, March 15
2:00 p.m.
904 N. College
Hosted by
Carol Hill and Janet Caldwell
RSVP 123-456-7890
(Rachel and Jason are registered at Sears and McGinty's Home Store.)

(Guys)

Who says girls should
have all the fun?
Let's get together and prepare Mike
for married life
with stuff he can actually use!
(note: NO throw pillows or napkin rings)
Saturday, May 4
12:00 noon
Event Room at Smokey's Steak House
1854 W. Main
Mike is registered
at The Grill Store, Sears, and REI.

Give It Up for the Groom!

Come to a

Guy Shower

for

Rocky Beach

Saturday, September 20

4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

333 Cove Road

Casual Dress

# Wedding Anniversary

In Celebration of (# of years) Years of Marriage
Please join us in honoring our parents
Mr. and Mrs. David Drummond
on Sunday, the fourth of June
two thousand and nine
at six o'clock in the evening
in the Hunt Room at the Grainger House
four hundred eighty-six McGee Boulevard
Oakville, Wisconsin
The children of Anne and David
Regrets only: 444-9267

### **MISCELLANEOUS OCCASIONS**

#### **BBQ**

Moo. Moo.
Oink. Oink.
Yum. Yum.
It's BBQ Time!
Saturday, September 20
4 P.M. to whenever
at Sandy & Rocky's place
333 Cove Road
The herd will be waiting for you.
Regrets only: (555) 123-4567

#### Cocktail

Roger and Rebecca Carter
request the honor of your presence
at a cocktail party
on the twelfth day of January, two thousand nine
at seven o'clock in the evening
South Haven Country Club
900 Fairview Circle
R.S.V.P. by December 28
(555) 123-2345

# **Pool Party**

Make a Splash!
Join us
for a Pool Party
Saturday, September 20
3-7 P.M.
at Sandy & Rocky's place
333 Cove Road
Snacks, soft drinks, pool & water provided.
BYO towels & sunscreen.
(Swimwear required.)
See you then!

#### Retirement

Roger and Rebecca Carter
request the honor of your presence
at a cocktail party
in honor of Peter Jameson's retirement
from Carter Heating and Cooling Company
after twenty-five years of service
on the twelfth day of January, two thousand nine
at seven o'clock in the evening.
R.S.V.P. by December 28

Please join us for a luncheon honoring Miss Roberta Samuelson as she leaves her position at Myers-Gates, Inc. Wednesday, the eighth of April at twelve o'clock in the afternoon in the Arthur C. Davidson Conservatory at Bella Vista Library
Twenty-two hundred Main Street Sugarland, Texas
Hosted by Wallace and Linda McKeown Regrets only: 444-9302

#### Welcome Home

WELCOME BACK!
After two years in the Peace Corps,
Betsy's finally stateside! Let's celebrate!
BBQ at Mike and Carol's
1116 Maple Leaf Lane
June 16, 6 p.m.
Bring nothing but hugs!

Let's give Robert
A HERO'S WELCOME
Please help welcome home
our favorite Marine
with food, fun, and hugs.
Friday, Sept. 4
7:00 p.m.
Linda and Phil's home
1116 E. Oak Street

There's No Place Like Home!
Please join
Sandy Beach's
family, friends, and neighbors
in welcoming her
back home
Saturday, September 20
4:00 p.m. till whenever
333 Cove Road
Regrets Only: (555) 123-4567

Home Is Where the Party Is!
Please join
Sandy Beach's
family, friends, and neighbors
in celebrating
her return home.
Saturday, September 20
4 p.m. till whenever
333 Cove Road
Bring plenty of hugs.
Regrets Only: (555) 123-4567

HE'S BAAAAAAAAAAAACK
And ready to party!
Come join
Rocky Beach's
family, friends, and neighbors
in celebrating
his return home
Saturday, September 20
4 p.m. till whenever
333 Cove Road
Help make the day memorable.
Regrets Only: (555) 123-4567

# Wine Tasting

RED, WHITE & YOU
Come for a Wine Tasting!
Saturday, September 20
7:00 p.m.
at Sandy & Rocky's place
333 Cove Road
We'll sample several yummy wines
while sharing light hors d'oeuvres
and conversation
Coffee & dessert will be served
Enjoy a relaxing adults-only evening
Regrets Only: (555) 123-4567

(Alternate ending):
Bring a bottle of your favorite wine to share
over light hors d'oeuvres and conversation
Coffee & dessert will be served
Enjoy a relaxing adults-only evening
Regrets Only: (555) 123-4567