



Planning a Dinner Party?

Are you a Martha Stewart wannabe? I'm not, so I'll just say that upfront. We try to keep things simple.

We feel it's more important to spend time with friends than freaking out about the table decorations.

When you plan a dinner, you have to give it some thought. You have to decide what to serve? Are there any food allergies to contend with? Are children coming or do we have any picky eaters?

My husband and I choose meals that we can make create ahead and just sit back and relax. Also look at the timing of things? How long should things take to cook and when do we heat the vegetables so things are ready at the same time. I think a lot of people struggle with this one.

I find it helpful to make a list of everything that is going to be served. Have you ever had your guests leave your house and when you start to put things away and open the fridge and see that you forgot to serve the _____? I know it's happen to me once. My list acts as a quick reminder to make sure everything is out on the table.

Over the last few years, we serve it buffet style and this has created a relaxing atmosphere and your guests can help themselves.

Here are few helpful website: <http://www.realsimple.com/holidays-entertaining/entertaining/dinner-party-checklist> and http://busycooks.about.com/od/dinnerpartymenus/a/planadinnerparty_2.htm

For those of you who live in the Genesee County, a fellow organizer shared this with me:

FREE Latex Paint Recycling for Genesee County Residents - Residents of Genesee County can now bring their left-over, unused, and unwanted latex paint to the Genesee County Habitat for Humanity Restore in the City of Flint to be recycled at **NO CHARGE!** Regular business hours are Tuesday through Saturday 9a.m. – 5p.m.

For more information please contact the Genesee County Recycle Hotline at 810-762-7744.

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Happy Organizing!

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