



## Love Letters, & Thank You Notes & Sweet Nothings

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You rang in 2008 with style and toasted the New Year with a month long celebration of party going and giving, so now what?

There are New Year's resolutions to be made and broken, but first, mind your manners and to take a moment to say, "Thank You" for it all.

There are no excuses, even if you haven't written a thank you note since your mom made you and the only stationary you own is a scratch pad... New Year, new YOU - resolve to return to the art

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of correspondence. Emily Post would be proud! After the holiday season, it's imperative to practice good form and mail out hand written thank you notes for any gifts received or events you attended.

Maureen Hall owner of Maureen Hall Stationer in Winter Park says "If someone is kind enough to send a gift then the most gracious thing to do is send a thank you note. It is so meaningful to the recipient that time was taken in this busy world to acknowledge the thought". Sooo true!

Tiffany's advises for that amazing holiday cocktail or dinner party be sure call your host the next day with a verbal thank you and then follow up with a written note

on the finest of paper showing your appreciation. Your host will remember and you'll make it back on the guest list next year for certain!

For the under 30 generation who may think emailing a thank you is just fine, step it up a notch. Try purchasing a selection of "green papers". This popular trend is one that is here to stay and guarantees a nice compliment to your compliment! Take a look at [www.green-erprinter.com](http://www.green-erprinter.com).

While email is not a sufficient substitute, you can use the internet to update the formality. Stamps.com from the USPS allows stamp personalization using photos or any image to use on every day correspondence,

making letter writing fun! Try embossers, fun wax seals and colored pens to show your originality. Sam Flax here we come!

And once you finish stuffing and stamping your thanks, it'll probably be time to cure the winter blues with a Florida-style bash! Just remember, first thing's first – as with every great party, it starts with the invitation to set the theme, tone and style. And after you enjoy more merriment, sit back and wait for the thank yous addressed to your mailbox to come signed, sealed and delivered – singing your praises and making it all worthwhile! ♦

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