

Michelle & Steve's Wedding



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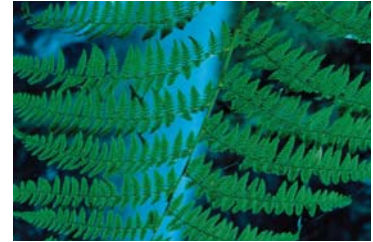
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Countdown & Thank You

Well folks, just a few more weeks until the big day.

First, we would like to say thanks in advance to everyone for joining us for the wedding weekend. We are looking forward to seeing you.

Our itinerary for the weekend is available on the website, www.pawlish.com, or continue reading for more details.

We have guests traveling from Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Florida, Maryland, and Virginia. Don't laugh about the reference to local guests traveling from DC, MD, and VA. The folks from out of town will soon learn, if they don't already know, that the traffic in this area can make for some long car rides.

The purpose of this little newsletter is to provide everyone with some useful

information about the wedding weekend.

Many of you have already visited our website and know all of the information included in this newsletter.

If you need any assistance making reservations, getting directions, finding a place to eat, or are not sure who to vote for in the next presidential election please call or email us and we'll try to help you. :-)

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Hotel Reservations & Carpooling

Hotels

The block of rooms that we set aside for the wedding guests are no longer officially available. If you still need a place to stay while you're in the DC area please call the Ramada Inn – Rockville. The number is 301-881-2300. Please ask for Kyla Monday through Friday between 9am and 3pm EST.

Carpooling

We have updated information about parking at the wedding ceremony location. There is parking available near the ThorpeWood Lodge for about 35 cars. Given the number of guests at our wedding no one should need to park at the "satellite" lot on Stoney Lick Drive.

We encourage you to

carpool to the wedding if possible. If you need a ride or can offer a ride please send us an email or give us a call.

"Bart, with \$10,000, we'd be millionaires! We could buy all kinds of useful things like...love!"

~ Homer Simpson



"I've had the boyhood thing of being Elvis. Now I want to be with my best friend, and my best friend is my wife. Who could ask for anything more?"
 ~John Lennon

Friday 09.28.07 – Happy Hour

Afternoon

Possibly go bowling with a few out of town guests.



free to bring something if you have a particular beer you prefer. The evening will include a Ms. PacMan Tournament (Double Elimination!).

RSVP

Please call or email us by Monday 09.24.07

Address

30 Rockcrest Circle
 Rockville, MD 20851

Directions & Map

See pages 4 & 5

Phone

301.762.5216 (home)
 301.928.7575 (cell – Michelle)
 240.678.8685 (cell – Steve)

Evening (5pm – until)

Happy hour at our house.

We will provide food (probably subs) and non-alcoholic drinks. We will also provide a few beers to get folks started. Please feel

Note about Maryland beer sales

Look for "Beer, Wine, and Deli". They do not sell beer and wine in grocery stores or convenience stores in the state of Maryland.

Saturday 09.29.07 – DC Ducks

Morning

DC Ducks



Ticket Payment: You can mail us a check or just give us a check/cash when we see you at the Duck Tour.

\$26 per adult, \$12 per child (ages 4-12)

8:45am – Meet in lobby of Ramada Inn

9:00am – Walk across the street from Ramada Inn to get on metro*

10:00am – Arrive at Union Station

Booth Location:

Union Station, 50 Massachusetts Ave. NE

Nearest Intersection:

Massachusetts Ave. and 1st St. NE

10:30am – Start Duck tour

12:00pm – Back at Union Station, Lunch, Hang out downtown if you'd like

*Round trip Metro fare:

\$4.70 (Adults/children),
 \$3.50 (Seniors/disabled)

If you plan to use the Metro often during your stay you might consider some of the multi-day or one day pass options.

<http://www.wmata.com/onlinestore/default.cfm>

Parking is available at Union Station if you prefer to drive.

<http://www.unionstationdc.com/directions.asp>

RSVP

Registration Closed

Saturday 09.29.07 – Dinner

Evening

Dinner at Amalfi Ristorante Italiano



8:30pm – Reservation for family and out of town guests

Set price menu. \$15 per adult, \$7 per child.

Additional charge for non-alcoholic beverages, beer, wine, cocktails, and dessert.

<http://www.amalfirockville.com/>

RSVP

Please call or email us by Monday 09.24.07 [see page

6 for our contact information]

Address

12307 Wilkins Avenue
 Rockville, MD 20852

Directions & Map

See pages 4 & 5

Phone 301.770.7888

Sunday 09.30.07 – Wedding – 2:30PM

Afternoon



1:15pm – Family should plan to arrive at ThorpeWood. Pictures will be taken before ceremony.

2pm – Guests start arriving

Note: [change in parking information] There is parking available near the Lodge for about 35 cars. Given the number of guests at our wedding no one

should need to park at the "satellite" lot on Stoney Lick Drive.

Allow extra time to arrive at the wedding location.

Mileage: Rockville to Thurmont - 47.6 mi – about 1 hour 8 min

As you travel on Mink Farm Road (see complete directions on website), continue past Stoney Lick Drive (see trail map on website) until you make the left into ThorpeWood's driveway. There will be parking attendants to direct you as to where to park.

2:30pm – Begin wedding ceremony

Attire:

For guys: Suit or nice pants and shirt and tie

For gals: Same. :-) j/k! Nice dress, nice pants and top

3pm – Cocktail Hour

4pm – Reception: Buffet Style Dinner, Dancing, Cake

9pm – End of Reception

Address

12805-A Mink Farm Rd.
Thurmont, MD 21788

Directions & Map

See pages 4 & 5

Phone 301-271-2823



"The best way to remember your wedding anniversary is to forget it once."

~Anonymous

Monday 10.01.07 – Brunch

Morning

Brunch at The Original Pancake House



9 – 11am – Brunch for anyone who would like to join us

Cost

About \$10 per person depending on what you order

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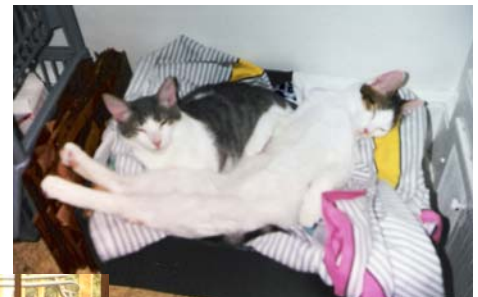
Please call or email us by Wednesday 09.26.07 [see page 6 for our contact information]

Address

12224 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD 20852

Phone

301-468-0886



Spot & Nathan, circa 1995



Spot & Nathan, 2006

"Donuts. Is there anything they can't do?"

~Homer Simpson



*"A road less traveled
provides a surprise and
adventure. It gives you
something that you don't
expect."
~Robert Frost*

Directions to ThorpeWood

From the Washington Beltway, I-495: take I-270 North to Frederick

From the Baltimore Beltway, I-695: take I-70 West to Frederick

Directions from Frederick: Exit onto Route 15 North towards Gettysburg and Thurmont (**from Washington, I-270**, this is not truly an exit; continue straight on I-270, which blends into 15 North). Thurmont is about 15 miles northwest of Frederick.

There are three Thurmont exits; **take the second**

exit, for Route 77. The exit ramp is a very sharp curve and the deceleration lane is short, so take care here. At the stop sign turn Right onto Route 77 West, towards Hagerstown and Smithsburg.

Stay on this windy, climbing road for approximately 2.9 miles, and just after Park Central Road on the right, turn Left onto Catocin Hollow Road. At this point, you are entering Cunningham Falls State Park (William Houck Area) and you will see the lake on your right through the trees.

Continue on Catocin Hollow

Road approximately 2.8 miles, pass Wigville Road, and turn Right onto Mink Farm Road.

Continue on Mink Farm Road for 1.3 miles to ThorpeWood. While on Mink Farm Road, you will pass a "ThorpeWood Garden" sign on the left, and a "Stoney Lick Farm" sign on the right. After crossing a small bridge at the bottom of the hill, turn left into ThorpeWood's driveway, marked by the carved wooden "ThorpeWood" sign. When the driveway divides, stay to the right to get the Center.

Directions to Steve & Michelle's House

From the Ramada Inn – Rockville

Take Rockville Pike/355 North. (Turn Left onto Rockville Pike)

Turn Right at Edmonston Dr. (This is a traffic light, approximately 1.2 miles from Ramada Inn)

Turn Left at Lewis Ave. (This is the first street after you drive over the small bridge going over railroad tracks.)

Go to the stop sign.

Turn Right at Rockcrest Circle.

Look for townhouse unit #30.

Park in the spots on the outside of the circle or on one of the side streets (e.g. Crawford Dr.).

Arrive at
30 Rockcrest Circle
Rockville, MD 20851

Directions to Amalfi Ristorante Italiano

From the Ramada Inn – Rockville

Take Rockville Pike/355 South. (Turn Right onto Rockville Pike)

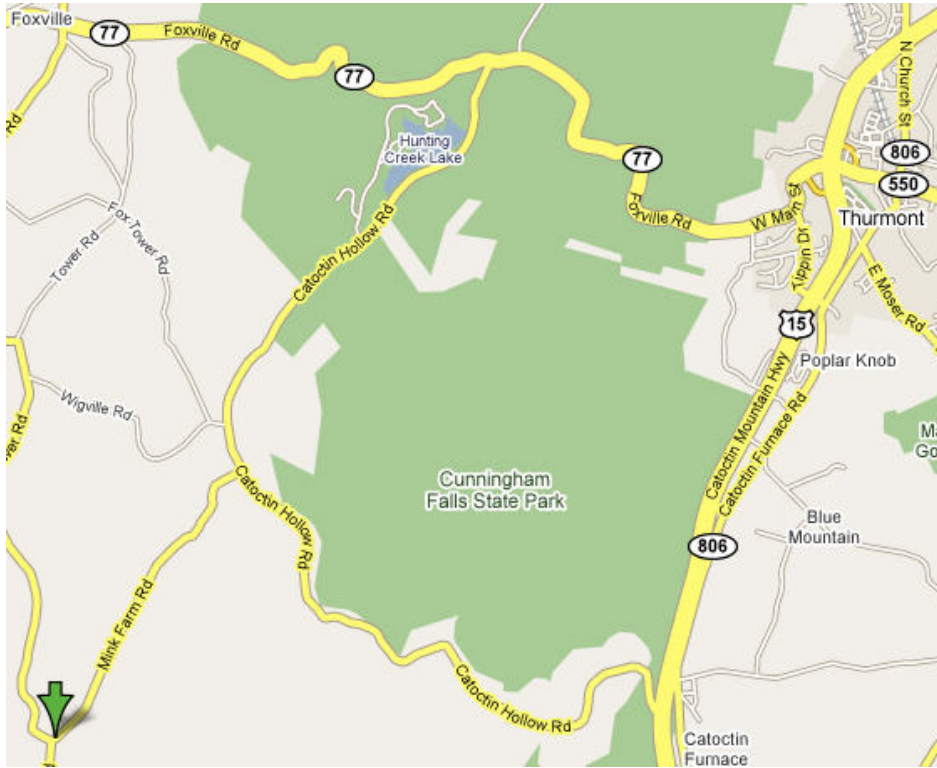
Turn Left at Twinbrook Parkway. (This the first traffic light.)

Turn Right at Parklawn Dr.

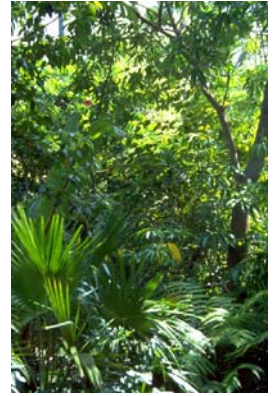
Turn Right on Wilkins Ave.

Arrive at
12307 Wilkins Avenue
Rockville, MD 20852

Map of area near ThorpeWood



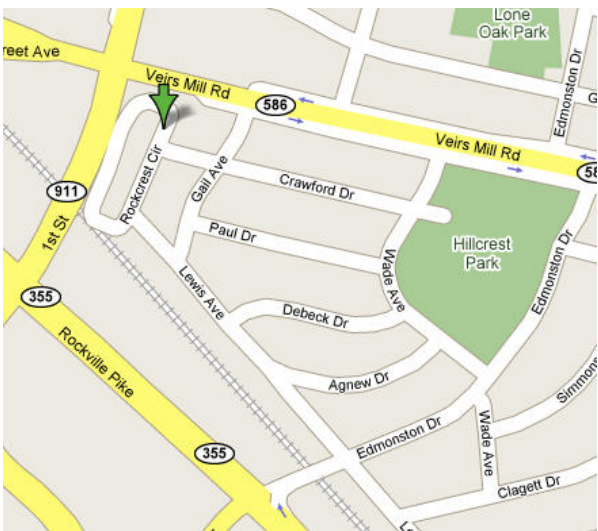
12805 Mink Farm Rd, Thurmont, MD



"It takes only one drink to get me drunk. The trouble is, I can't remember if it's the thirteenth or the fourteenth."

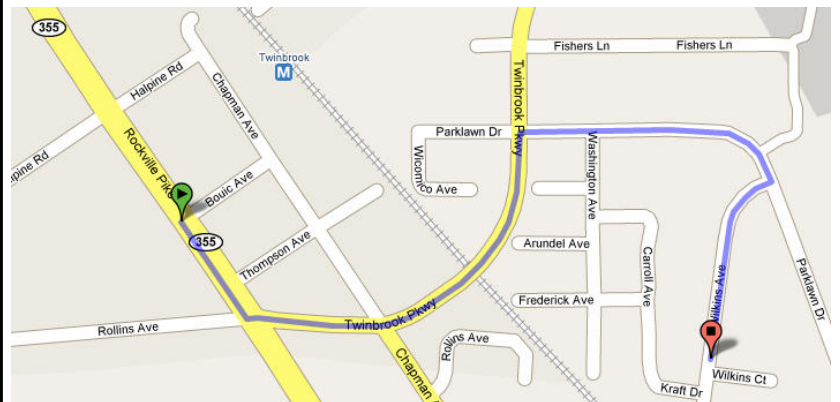
~George Burns

Map of area near Steve & Michelle's



30 Rockcrest Circle, Rockville, MD

Map Ramada Inn to Amalfi's



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*"A house is just a place
to keep your stuff while
you go out and get
more stuff."
-George Carlin*

Final Thoughts

We have received several inquiries regarding a gift registry.

We know some of you will insist on buying us a gift so we registered at a few places. The list is available on our

website. Currently you may only see a few items on each list, but we are continuously searching for items that would be appropriate for a wedding gift registry.

We are not inherently opposed

to receiving gifts, but the best gift of all is your presence at our wedding.

We look forward to seeing you in a few weeks.

Cheers,
Steve & Michelle

Pawlish.com!

If you haven't already done so, please visit our website (www.pawlish.com). We've included: Events (location & times), Maps, Directions, Useful Links, Things to Do in DC, Hotels, Local Restaurant

Info, etc...

Make note of the "Latest Updates" link on the home page to find out what has changed or been updated

since your previous visits.

If you need hardcopy versions of the maps, please let us know and we would be happy to mail them to you.

Washington DC Metro
View Metro Map at:
<http://www.wmata.com/>

