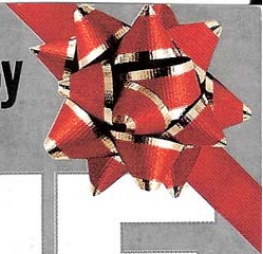


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House parties!

Just wanna chill at a friend's house this NYE? Well, here you go: Three new pals invite you to their private parties. By **Drew Toal**



Lindsay Goodman, 28, marketing manager at a book publisher, Carroll Gardens, Brooklyn

Why my party will rock:

"My boyfriend and I always host a dinner party on New Year's Eve. I'm half Italian and half Jewish—I was put on this earth to feed people. We have



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The resolution: "I promised to speak my mind more often and piss more people off."

The solutions: ① **Sandra Bernhard** Be inspired by the biggest big mouth of all in back-to-back shows at Joe's Pub. Lady's gonna be kvetching about the usual: idiot politicians, idiot laws, idiot celebrities and—we hope—idiot New Year's Eve revelers. 425 Lafayette St between Astor Pl and E 4th St (212-967-7555). 9pm, \$100; 11pm, \$150.

② **The Comedy Cellar** Dave Attell, Ben Bailey, Robert Kelly and other potty mouths mince no words in this NYE lineup. Put on your free hat or tiara and try not to spill your champagne as comedian Keith Robinson leads the countdown. 117 MacDougal St between Minetta Ln and W 3rd Sts (212-254-3480). 10:30pm–1am, \$65.

The resolution: "Eat healthier! Less takeout!"

The solutions: ① **20th Annual Silent New Year's Eve Mauna** Earn karma points at this Jivamukti Yoga class, vegan dinner and Indian dance party, followed by a three-hour silent mauna. 841

Broadway between 13th and 14th Sts, second floor (212-353-0214). Class and dinner 5–8pm, \$75; dance party and mauna 8pm–midnight, free.

② **Welcome 2009: New Year's Eve Bash** Eat healthy before you get hammered at Monkey Town's three-course feast with veggie options. After dinner, Shilpa Ray, the Wild Yaks and Lone Wolf & Cub take the floor. 58 North 3rd St between Kent and Wythe Aves, Williamsburg, Brooklyn (718-384-1369). Dinner 6–11pm, \$35; concert and party 11pm–4am, \$12.

Anything goes. Champagne toast, pasta and baked goods will be included. Cocktail attire may be mandatory, so you can actually feel like you've dressed up to kick off '09." **Wanna party with Angela?** E-mail acbruno@gmail.com for details.



Sean Bryant Dunn, 36, engineer/heavy-metal bassist, Bushwick, Brooklyn

Why my party will rock:

"When it comes to New Year's Eve, there is only one party that everyone should consider, and that is the one that I will be throwing...in my pants." **Wanna party with Sean?**

Really? Okaaay. E-mail sbryantd@gmail.com for details.



HOW TO STAY WARM: "Start with a thin layer, then go with a sweater or fleece and another layer," says Jamie Lipman Abish, general manager of Tent & Trails camping-supply store. "If you don't have gloves, socks and a hat, you're going to be miserable waiting for that ball to drop."



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