From This Day Forward...

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New Year's Eve bells

Vickee and Daniel Villeneuve were married December 31 at the Wesleyan Church in Inkerman. Daniel proposed to Vickee a year ago New Year's Eve.

Day to remember

Stephanie Wolfe
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Vickee Villeneuve and her husband Daniel rung in the New Year by saying "I do".

Ten years after their first encounter, Vickee and her "knight in shining armor" exchanged vows at the Wesleyan Church in Inkerman on December 31.

"He proposed four minutes before midnight the year before on New Year's Eve," Vickee said. "The moment was just perfect and I said 'yes' right away. We decided right then to have the wedding New Year's Eve (1996)."

Vickee, owner of *Hair in Motion* in Winchester, invited about 100 guests to the wedding which had a Christmas theme.

"The church was done up in Christmas decorations," she said. "We brought in the New Year with champagne while family and friends did a countdown.

"I started crying when I said my vows. It was so romantic. The Reverend said that both of our eyes just connected."

Vickee met Daniel in 1988 through a personals ad in the *Ottawa Citizen*.

"We dated for three years then took time away from each other," she explained. "We kept in touch throughout the years and then got back together last November and he said 'this time he was not letting me go'."

Vickee says her relationship with Dan "is a fairy tale romance."

"We did a lot of crazy things when we were dating like dancing in the rain. Our three years together was nothing but fun."

Vickee walked down the aisle with her son David wearing a champagne-colored gown with granny boots and a colorful hat. Four young girls, relatives of the newlyweds, replaced the ushers. There were two wedding cakes (10 and 16 inches) for dessert and Italian food was served for supper.

Pastor John Phannenhour of the Wesleyan Church married the couple, the first wedding he performed on his own.



Our cover

The bride and groom gracing our cover are Tania and Tony Holmes who were married July 20, 1996 in Winchester.

Tania is the daughter of Fred and Kathy Lobb of Chesterville and Tony is the son of Mrs. Carol Guitard and the late Eldon Homes of Winchester.

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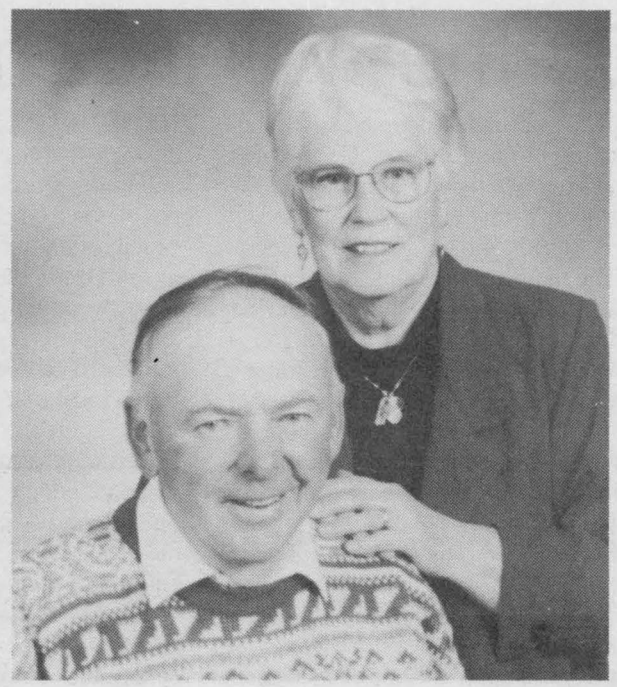

50th Anniversary

Gordon and Doris Ennis will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on their daughter's wedding day, July 5, 1997.



Belanger – Levere

Shirley Ardeth Levere and Gerald Marcel Belanger were married on June 10, 1972 at St. Daniels Church in South Mountain.

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Off-the-wall ceremonies

Growing up, many people envision the wedding of their dreams. After years of dreaming, when people finally get to plan their own wedding, they want every aspect of the day to be perfect.

The majority of couples marry in a place of worship, a hotel or a catering hall; however, some are starting to become a little more adventuresome when planning their weddings. Since this will be one of the most important days in their lives, they want it to be exactly the way they always dreamed it would be.

For those who have always dreamed of exchanging vows in a theme park, like Walt Disney World, the opportunity is now available. Many theme parks offer wedding packages, complete with a staff member who works exclusively on planning the wedding of people's dreams. Some couples choose to spend their honeymoon partying with the friends and family members who attended the wedding — hotel accommodations are available.

Sports enthusiasts are considering sports arenas and stadiums as spots for their nuptials. Whether it be between periods at a hockey game, on an empty baseball diamond or during halftime at a football game, many couples choose to go this route. Those interested can call up individual stadiums to see if this type of wedding is possible.

Resorts like those in the Caribbean, Hawaii, the Poconos and Europe offer all-inclusive packages for the wedding and honeymoon. A popular choice for couples is to marry, shoeless, on the beach, often in bathing suits. They will have to bring their own clothes, but the resort wedding planner will take care of all the details. People who are interested can contact the resort, itself, or the local tourism board to find out information on required blood tests and licensing information.

Some people choose to be married on the ground in a hot-air ballon. Once they say "I do," they fly away in the balloon as their guests wish them well.

Trolley cars and trains quickly are becoming a popular spot for ceremonies to take place, as are museums, parks and cruise boats.

Another popular idea is that people are incorporating their mutual hobbies into the ceremony. For example, a couple who are both avid scuba divers found a judge who would marry them underwater. It may seem strange, but they did indeed have the wedding of their dreams.

Whatever way couples choose to celebrate their upcoming nuptials, they should remember the most important people to think about when planning the wedding are themselves. Ideally, a wedding is a once-in-a-lifetime event; people should do their best to make it everything they always dreamed it would be.

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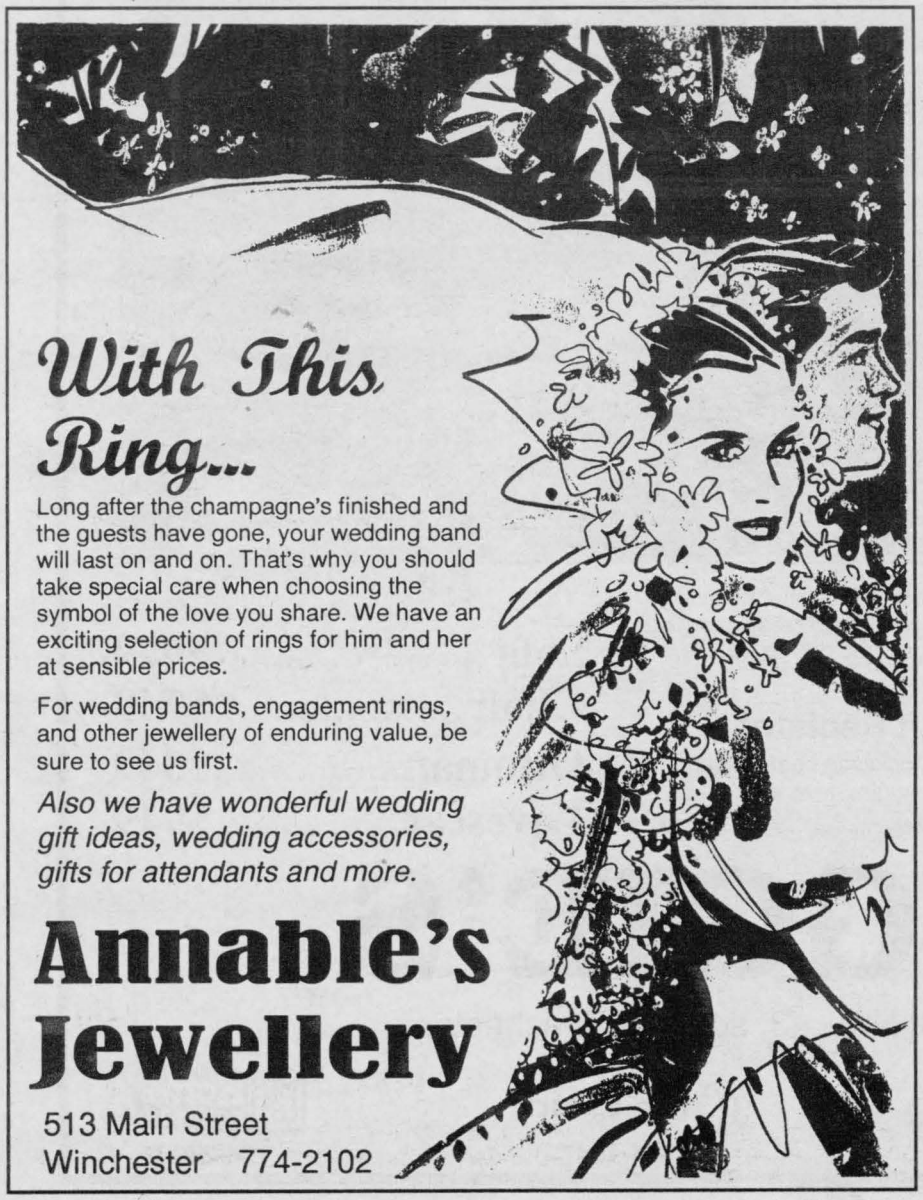

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In his 26 years with Durant's Flowers, John VanBruinessen has plenty of experience when it comes to providing floral touches for weddings and has seen many trends come and go.



John VanBruinessen (left), Leslie VanBruinessen and Donna Leclerc co-ordinate wedding flowers with fabric.

According to VanBruinessen, in the last two years the looser 'gardeny' look has become popular with such flowers as alstroemeria, Queen Anne's lace, wax flowers and freesia replacing the tightly packed bouquets of daisies and miniature carnations.

The formal look of flower arrangements has given way to the wispier look.

"They're not all packed together. You have a lot of fancy greens too and filler flowers," he says.

With year-round fresh flower availability, church baskets and pew bows are also increasing in popularity.

As styles soften, so do color preferences, says VanBruinessen. Recently the plainer red and white combinations have taken a backseat to mixed colors with pastel shades.

VanBruinessen says he and his staff are always willing to sit down with the bride and her family to help them co-ordinate their specific floral needs.

In order to ensure everything is ready, VanBruinessen suggests arrangements be made about six weeks before the wedding. Although appointments are not always necessary, he recommends them in order to have the appropriate staff on hand.

VanBruinessen also encourages brides to bring in a dress from the wedding party or a fabric sample for the best color co-ordination.

"Color seems to be more important than the type of flower used," he says, adding that roses or other specific varieties of flowers can usually be worked into the arrangement.

Prices for wedding flowers vary depending on the size of the wedding. According to VanBruinessen, the simplest arrangements can cost about $100 while extravagant bouquets for large wedding parties as well as church decorations can cost up to $2,000.

Although natural flowers add a little something special to the wedding they can cost $400 to $700 for an averaged-sized wedding.

"Each wedding is individually priced according to the type of flowers the bride wants, the size of bouquets and the type of decorations and according to their budget too."

While floral arrangements for weddings are available at both Durant's locations, VanBruinessen encourages brides-to-be to visit the Chesterville location if they wish to have a consultation.

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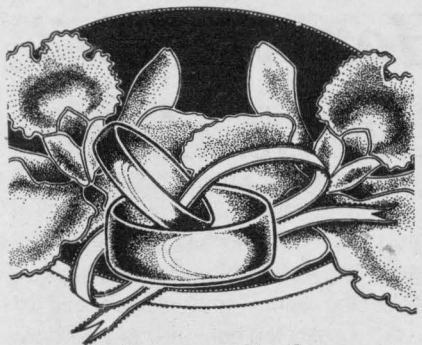

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Homemade wine with personalized labels is the newest trend in creating a memorable wedding.

"It's more personalized because of your own labels with your name and the wedding date. You can't get that at a liquor store," said Town Vintner owner Joan Steele.

"It's a neat concept because it's a little more creative than going and buying the wine," said Tania Holmes who purchased white and red wine for her wedding from the Town Vintner.

Over the past two years, Steele has supplied wine to about 14 weddings and has received high praise for the wine's quality as well as the uniqueness of the concept.

"Everybody's so busy doing everything for their wedding. All they have to do (for homemade wine) is come in, order and then it's done," explained Steele.

According to Steele, wine is no longer used solely at the wedding reception's dinner table. Smaller bottles are also given out to the guests.

Not only is homemade wine an original touch to the wedding reception, it is also cost-effective.

The price of 24 homemade bottles (150 ml) which includes plain labels, corks and shrink caps is $120, which is less than half the cost ($287) of store-bought wine.

However, if the couple wants to have monogrammed labels, it will cost an additional $55, unless they do it themselves with gold or silver pens.

Although the process of making wine takes about four weeks, Steele suggests people order their wine four to six months before the wedding to allow the wine to age.

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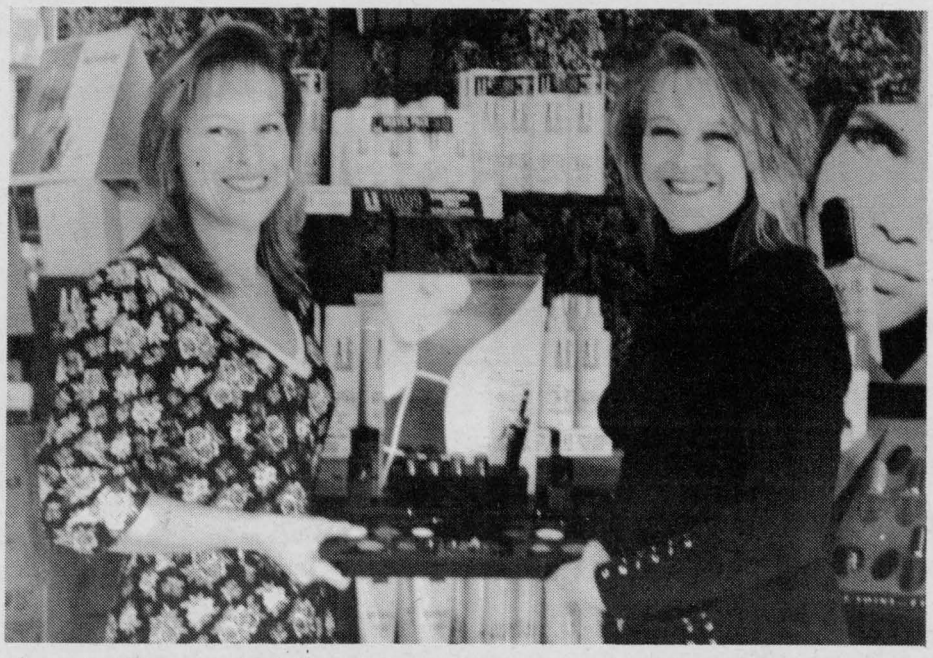

Jeannine Bourgeouis (left) and Jeannette DaSilva of Double Beauty Esthetics and Hair Styling in Winchester display some of their beauty products.
Press Photo — Wolfe

Bridal beauty a specialty

WINCHESTER — *Double Beauty's* Jeannette Da Silva says gray and light pink are popular eye shadow colors this year for brides with winter and spring coloring.

For brides with fall and spring coloring, light beige and yellow are popular for eye shadow and brown and light orange for blush. Browns and light beige are popular for lipstick.

"The color of the lipstick should match the nail polish," Da Silva said. "French manicures are popular for brides."

Hairdresser Jeannine Bourgeois says brides putting their hair up with a hair piece is popular this year.

Double Beauty Esthetics & Hairstyling suggests booking your make-up consultation one month ahead of your wedding; facial and eyebrow shaping one week ahead; pedicure and manicure the day before; and make-up, wash and blow-dry the day of your wedding.

More memorable receptions

A little extra creativity can turn your wedding reception into the party of the century. Appoint yourself creative director of your day, and brainstorm about details and delicate touches to make the occasion more memorable for you and your guests. The following ideas are courtesy of Modern Bride magazine.

VICTORIAN DELIGHTS

• If you are planning an outdoor Victorian wedding, consider a romantic spot: a garden with weeping willows, lilacs, wisteria, or a lake, fishpond or gurgling brook.

• For an indoor location, choose a historic mansion or lodge, a country estate, or a chalet with a sweeping, curving driveway or dramatic staircase.

• Give the guests little doily cones or baskets filled with color-coordinated confetti to throw as you and your groom leave.

• Don't stash your bouquet away after the ceremony; place it on the cake table.

• Serve cookies in the shape of wedding cakes. Consider serving them to your guests on handsome silver-plated trays.

• Instead of placing the cake ornament on top of the cake, have it adorn the table.

• Fill a ceramic planter with ice to chill champagne; decorate with berries and blossoms to create an unexpected ice bucket.

• Romantic Victorian flowers include baby's breath, bachelor's buttons, carnations, chrysanthemums and irises, among others.

INTERNATIONAL FARE

• An honored French custom is to drink the wedding toast from the coupe de marriage, a large double-handled goblet or bowl.

• Why not adopt an old Armenian tradition? During the reception, release a pair of white doves from a cage. This symbolizes unity and love.

• Amend a Chinese tradition, and pass out fortune cookies during the reception.

• At German wedding receptions, guests are given a large red-and-blue-checkered napkin in which they are invited to take home leftovers.

• At a Greek reception, the bride and groom share bites of the same piece of wedding cake, signifying their union.

• In ancient Jewish tradition, the bride did not eat her wedding cake — she wore it! Grains of wheat were thrown at her to ensure fertility.

• Swedish weddings aren't complete without an elaborate smorgasbord, featuring various fish courses, cold meats, salads, hot dishes and, of course, many types of aquivat (water of life).

• In Scotland, savories, like crusty hot or cold meat pies and tiny light tarts, are served before or after a meal.

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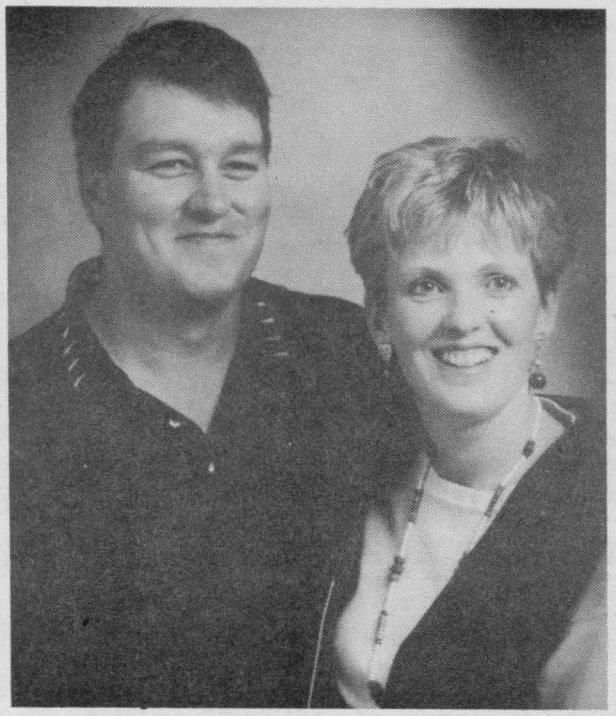


Ennis – Christensen

Christian Christensen and Janine Ennis wish to announce their forthcoming marriage on July 5, 1997 in London, Ontario. "Chris" is the son of Ejzil and Magda Christensen of Ilderton, Ontario and Janine is the daughter of Gordon and Doris Ennis, Winchester, Ontario.

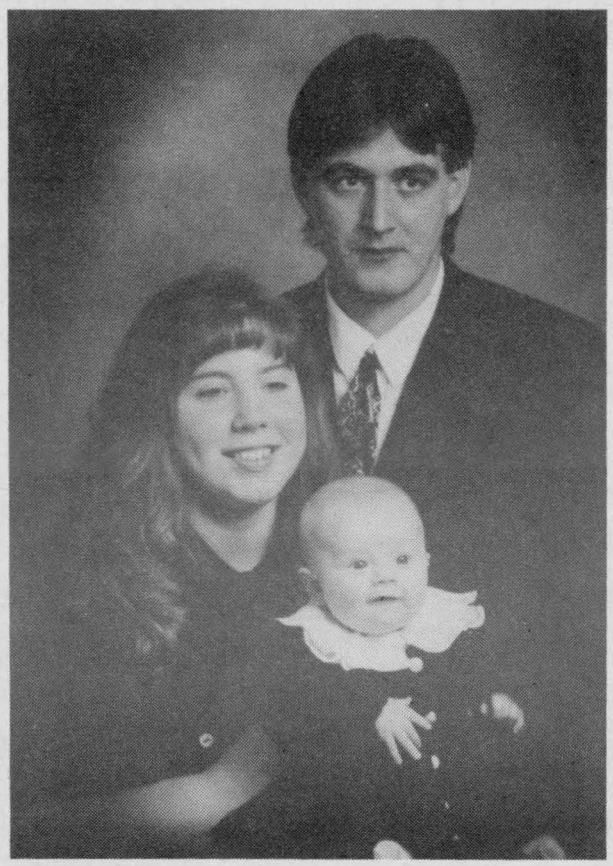


Harper – Sherrer

Aron and Darlene are pleased to announce their upcoming wedding to be held at Winchester United Church on June 7, 1997. Darlene is the daughter of Nadene and the late Reg Harper of Winchester. Aron is the son of Roy and Pam Sherrer of Mountain.



Forthcoming Marriages



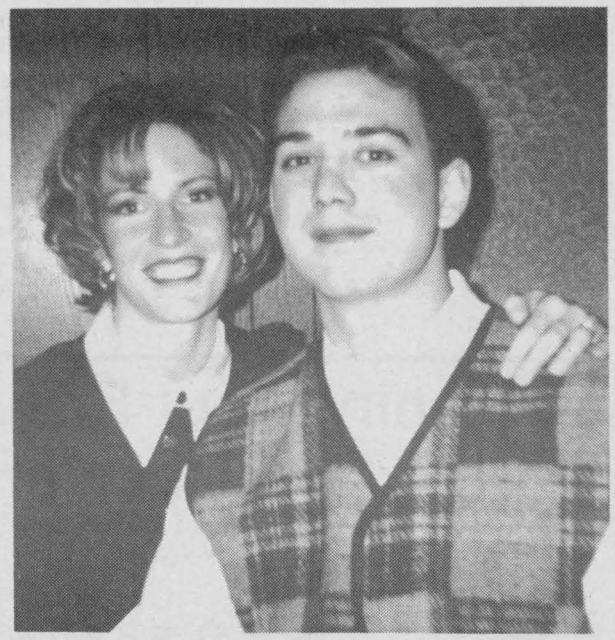
Shipclark – Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shipclark of Spencerville are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Lisa to Robert Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Smith of Winchester.



Holliday - VanBruinessen

Ray and Phyllis Holliday and John and Marg VanBruinessen are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their children, Tracey Elizabeth and David John. The wedding will take place June 7, 1997 at Williamsburg Christian Reformed Church. Open reception to follow at Winchester Arena.



Armstrong – Quenneville

Betty and Rick Huizinga are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Julie Ann Armstrong to Daniel Paul Quenneville son of Lise and Paul Quenneville of Orleans. The wedding will take place on May 10, 1997 at 3 pm. Reception to follow at 9 pm at Int'l Union Operating Engineers Facility in Morrisburg.



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McNaughton – Hutchinson

William and Norma McNaughton of Vernon are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Karen to Blair Hutchinson, son of Allan and Olive Hutchinson of Winchester. The wedding will take place October 25, 1997 at the Osgoode Baptist-Vernon United Church in Vernon, Ontario.



Robertson–Berkers

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Berkers of South Mountain are pleased to announce the engagement of their son, Brian to Sandy Robertson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Robertson of Sarnia, Ont. The wedding is to take place on May 17, 1997 in Westport, Ont.



Jennings – Dumoulin

Glen and Sandra Jennings of Inkerman and Rene and Velma Dumoulin of Mountain are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their children, Glenda Dawn and Allan Edward. The wedding will take place on July 19, 1997 at 7 pm at Inkerman United Church. Reception to follow at South Mountain Agricultural Hall.



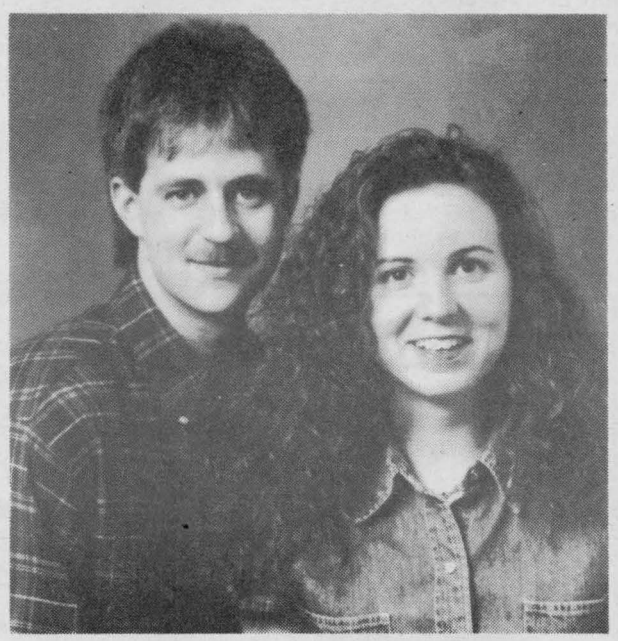
Maxwell–Desormeaux

Claude Desormeaux and Sharon Maxwell wish to announce their forthcoming marriage, to take place on February 14. Best wishes from the Desormeaux and Maxwell families.



McCadden–Crowder

Tara McCadden is pleased to announce the engagement of her mom Patti, daughter of Lois McCadden of Chesterville to Donald, son of Denzel and Connie Crowder of Winchester. Congratulations! Love Tara.



Brannen – Fawcett

Mike and Linda Brannen of Chesterville and John and Sherrie Fawcett of Winchester are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their children Shelly Brannen and Michael Fawcett. Wedding to take place in Winchester on July 5, 1997.

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Mary McGill, head of Strathmere, has a word of advice to young couples wanting to keep their wedding costs lower, "Keep in mind, you don't have to get married on a Saturday".

Although most couples do prefer Saturdays, Fridays and Sundays have also become very popular over the past few years, and some weddings take place on Thursdays. Friday evening weddings, she suggests, are ideal for not only traditional dinner/receptions, but also for those wanting a cocktail reception and dance. A 7:30 candlelight, ceremony, followed by champagne toasting, very appetizing hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, then right into the dancing with a late night buffet, makes a memorable event at a very economical price.

Couples who want to stay away from having a dance are favoring luncheon weddings over evening ones. Friday, Saturday and Sunday are very popular for a brunch/luncheon wedding.

Yet another way couples are economizing while still having a wonderful day is to choose a winter wedding. The pictures in Strathmere's wedding albums show how attractive a winter wedding can be - and especially if nature co-operates with a snowy setting for a horse-drawn carriage ride. It is possible from January through April, moreover, to negotiate much better prices with most professionals who assist with wedding arrangements.

Having the wedding in your home or another location of your choice can be another option to consider when looking to have a special day less expensively. Due to the high demand of Saturdays at popular reception facilities, Strathmere began its off-site wedding and catering service to provide couples with more availability at a more affordable price.

Strathmere books as many luncheon and cocktail reception weddings today as it does the still very popular Saturdays. Even though Saturdays do still tend to be the more traditional weddings (that is, the ceremony, followed by dinner and a reception) happily, economy does not have to mean lowering the experience of a very special day.

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Winchester native Debbie Fling models an off the shoulder satin gown from Classique Bridals at the Bridal Showcase last fall in Cornwall. Welcome Wagon organizes the show which is being held again on Monday, Feb. 24 at the Cornwall Civic Complex. Admission is free by invitation.

Thank-you note etiquette

In the weeks prior to the actual wedding ceremony, the bride's house will start to look like it does at Christmas. Packages and boxes of all shapes and sizes from various guests and well wishers will be arriving daily. In this time of excitement, organization is needed to keep track of who sent what gift.

One of the most important tasks that the bridal couple must complete is the overwhelming job of writing thank-you notes to all who sent gifts. The job of sending these notes is so time-consuming, because they must be written; a verbal thank you is not enough. The only verbal note that can be sent is a telegram, which can get costly when sending to a large number of guests.

Wedding gifts are given to both the bride and groom. When writing a thank-you note, be sure the signature reflects both of them. Writing the notes is not just the task of the bride, so be sure to put the groom to work. One idea is for the groom to write to his friends and the bride to hers. It is fine to sign only one name, so long as the writer says, for example, "Tad and I thank you for the wonderful toaster."

Make sure the gift is specifically mentioned in the note, keeping in mind that monetary gifts should never be referred to by dollar amount. A guest should be able to see that the couple appreciated, as well as remembered, the gift that was given to them.

The note should say exactly how the gift will be used. Additionally, if the gift needed to be returned, either because it was a duplicate or it simply could not be used, never inform the sender; a simple thank you is enough.

Be prompt in sending thank-you notes. Although it is perfectly acceptable to send a thank you up until three months after the wedding, couples should start writing before the wedding for gifts received in advance. This eliminates a lot of work and informs guests that the gifts were received and not lost during shipping.

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Plan the ceremony, choose a reception hall, pick a band or disc jockey, select a photographer, decide on invitations — it all seems so daunting. How will they ever get it all done?

The key is to set the right pace. The couple doesn't have to get everything planned in one month. They should work on the major details first and then move on.

To begin, the couple should make a list of everything that needs to be done — and they shouldn't get stressed about having forgotten something. They always can add to the list as they think of things. Once they've finished something, they can cross it off and see that they're one step closer to their special day.

The first thing they need to do is pick a date for the wedding. Once they know this, they can reserve the church or temple and the reception hall. The couple may have to move the date by a week or so in order to get both places on the same day.

May and June are the traditional months for weddings, but September and October are becoming popular also. If the future bride and groom hope to get married during these months, they may have to reserve the church or temple and reception hall at least one year in advance.

Once these places are booked, the couple can relax a little, because two of their most important decisions have been made. Now, they can concentrate on the photographer, music and flowers.

When making these decisions, the couple should get several estimates and look at the previous work of the people they're considering. They'll also be able to see how these professionals interact with a bride and groom and their guests.

Once the photographer, music and flowers are set, the couple can decide on the other details, like invitations, tuxedos, gifts for the bridal party and seating arrangements. The invitations and tuxedos usually can be selected about six months before the wedding. The couple should remember that the invitations should go out about two months in advance. The other arrangements can be made about three or four months beforehand.

The most important thing for the future bride and groom to remember is to enjoy their special day and all of the planning that goes into it. While it may be stressful, it will be one of the best days of their lives.



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Videographers can be used in addition to photographers to capture the live moments on tape. Wedding planners recommend that couples always check references and ask to view examples of previous recordings the videographer has from other receptions.

They should ask the videographer to visit the reception site prior to the big day in order to check room setup, see if extra light is needed, determine positioning of equipment, and plan the expected flow of people and action.

Due to budget limits, there are many types of videos to consider. A less expensive package is done with one camera and includes no editing. Once the wedding is over, the tape is given to the couple. In a more expensive package, two or more cameras will be used, and film will be edited for a movielike video.

Additionally, graphics, music, voice-over narration, titles and flashback scenes can be added to the video. So, couples should be sure to ask the videographer for advice on which extras will enhance the video.

People should choose a videographer who provides the best services, videos and price within budget limits to fit their needs. Once a video package is decided upon, it is important for both parties to sign a written contract for these services.

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Joel Steele owner of CountryBoy (left) and Danny Lecours, with Freeman Formal Wear representative Jay Mekler, are on hand to help men get suited up for their special day. *Press Photo — Dillich*

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WINCHESTER — The CountryBoy is 10,000 tuxedos and 25 years old.

The CountryBoy showroom features Freeman Formal Wear tuxedos in styles ranging from European, an off-the-shoulder loose fit, bigger arm holes and triple pleated pants to the more contemporary fit, also available in a range of styles.

Two trend-setters to look for in 1997 are the new 'Definition' fit and the full high vest.

As tradition dictates, beginning on April 1, the store will be open on Thursday nights especially for tuxedo fittings.

Over the years, Danny Lecours and Joel Steele have measured over 10,000 tuxedos and have the expertise to be able to held the bride and groom in selecting styles that will best suit their wedding party.

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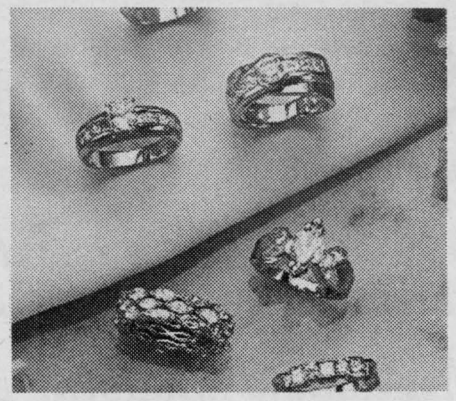
Yet, finding the diamond engagement ring of her dreams is not as difficult as it may seem, particularly for those who go by the following guidelines:

1. Determine a budget — The benchmark that many men use here is the two months' salary guideline. Spend less, and the relatives will probably talk. Also, remember that the most important point of all is to select the finest-quality diamond affordable. It is, after all, the ultimate symbol of enduring love.

2. Understand the four C's — Speaking of quality, the four C's — cut, color, clarity and carat weight — are the crucial factors used in determining the caliber of a diamond. They are the key, for instance, to understanding why two diamonds of equal size may not be of equal value.

Cut is the aspect of a diamond that determines its sparkle and fire. Typically, a diamond is cut with 57 or 58 facets — flat planes that allow the brilliance of the diamond to shine through.



Color is, in fact, the measurement of a diamond's degree of colorlessness. The ideal diamond has no or very little color and reflects all the prisms of light. Diamond color is graded on a letter scale that begins with D, which represents the most superior and colorless grade.

Clarity is fairly self-explanatory. A diamond of remarkable clarity will have neither external nor internal flaws, though diamonds fitting this flawless description are incredibly rare. Most diamonds contain some internal flaws, called inclusions, which occur naturally.

Carat refers to the weight of a diamond, rather than the size. A single carat is made up of 100 units called points. The weight of a one-half carat diamond, for example, also can be described as 50 points.

3. Get an idea of what she likes — Obviously, any woman will derive great joy from a gorgeous, flashing, special diamond, but she may have some specific preferences in terms of the style of the ring. Because some women don't come right out and say exactly what they want in a diamond engagement ring, a little detective work may be in order. Talking to friends and family members can provide some valuable clues, as can watching her as you both browse.

4. Find a reputable jeweler — Perhaps you already have one in mind. If not, a small bit of research will go a long way here — ask friends who've gone through the process. Speak frankly with jewelers, and ask them questions about the four C's. A good jeweler will be happy to explain the facts thoroughly, and as a result, you will feel all the more confident in your purchase.

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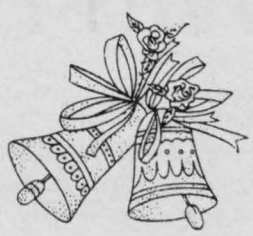

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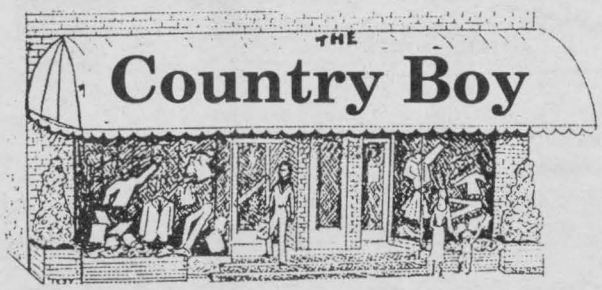

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