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Utah Valley Photo is owned and operated by a former BYU graduate, Charolette Winder ('02). Winder has "always been a photographer" but began specializing in wedding photography five years ago. Winder's unique style blends the traditional with the modern. She shoots everything in digital format which allows her to further her creative, artistic style in each photo and in personalized wedding albums. Her website is easy to navigate and full of information, like reasonable prices and impressive portfolios. The majority of her clients come from referrals and it's easy to see why. Former clients rave about her "fun and easy" personality and her ability to "capture moments" in a "quick, but very precise" way.

Charolette was so good! I felt like we were related by how good she was to us. She was so flexible and very accommodating to our requests. On our wedding day she took charge of my huge family of about 75 members and got some great shots. She was very quick, but very precise. Then, she got some wonderful pictures of my husband and I. The way she treated us made me feel like we were royalty and that is just how you want to feel on your wedding day. Charolette knows photography. She has an eye for what looks good, and she knows how to capture moments. None of my pictures look awkward or unnatural. They are so beautiful. Charolette has just a way of getting everyone to work with her, and it's in a fun and easy way. The best part of all is the pictures that came out. I couldn't believe it! All my life I have never thought myself to be photogenic, but now, I love showing off my wedding pictures. Even my mother-in-law, who doesn't like pictures, loved the ones that she was in. It was just an amazing day, and Charolette just captured the best of it.
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Dillard’s Wedding Registry offers a personal touch

For the ultimate in personal service, convenience and great gift selection, there is no bridal registry better than Dillard’s. Just ask Amy Chapman, Bridal Consultant at Dillard’s Provo Towne Centre store.

“I love our registry program,” says Amy. “It’s just so easy and convenient. I wish I had a registry like this when I got married.”

Amy has worked at the Dillard’s Provo store for five years. She started in the Home Department, and became the Bridal Consultant this past February. Before joining Dillard’s, this highly personable lady worked at many bridal shows, an experience she still enjoys with Dillard’s.

One of Amy’s favorite things about Dillard’s registry is the “Complete Your New Home” Program. Couples can purchase the remaining items on their registry starting 60 days after the wedding and receive a discount: 20% off the regular everyday low price on most items, except small electrics, which may be purchased at 10% off the regular price. This offer is good in stores only.

Amy says returns are no problem. “They can choose something else on their registry, or they’ll receive a gift card which stays good indefinitely.”

This highly-personal service has made Dillard’s free wedding registry very popular. “I get so much positive feedback from brides and grooms, as well as their friends and family, on how great this service is. I just love my job,” adds Amy.

Couples who register with Dillard’s can choose from an excellent selection of dinnerware, flatware and stemware, as well as linens, housewares, electrics, giftware and intimate apparel. Their preferences will then be available online at www.dillards.com, through 1-800-345-5273, or at more than 300 stores nationwide.

The best time to register is three to six months before the wedding. When they register, couples will receive our complimentary “I Thee Wed” wedding and home planner and two thick bath towels. The bride and bridal party also receive a free makeover at any of our makeup counters (by appointment). As an added bonus, Dillard’s registry offers price matching. If a couple find something on their registry somewhere else for less, Dillard’s will match it. Plus, if it’s with their completion program, they also get the discount on top of that!

If a wedding is in your immediate future, make sure Dillard’s Wedding Registry is at the top of your planning list. Amy Chapman is ready and anxious to help you!

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Our computerized Wedding Registry gives family and friends access to gift selections at more than 300 locations in 29 states, listing only what hasn’t been purchased to avoid duplications. Also, guests may place an order by calling our Wedding Services Desk at 1-800-345-5273, or by contacting us at www.dillards.com, and your gift will be delivered to you for a nominal fee.

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Dillard’s Wedding Registry is a free service for all engaged couples. When you register, a print out will show friends and family at any Dillard’s, your choices not already purchased. You’ll receive our wedding and home planner, “I Thee Wed,” as a gift.
The Mermaid
This dress is very fitted with a flare at the bottom that is great for showcasing an hourglass figure.

The Drop Waistline
Dropping the waistline to the hips can elongate the torso and give a longer, leaner look; however, it can also add emphasis to the hips.

Detail on the bodice of these dresses draws the eye upward towards the face, accentuating the bust and creating a slimmer silhouette.

Photo by Charolette Winder/Utah Valley Photo. Gowns courtesy Allyse's Bridal, Gowns by Pamela and ?. Jewelry courtesy Goldsmith Co. Jewelers.
The Empire.
This versatile style flatters petite, athletic or pear-shaped body types as it accentuates the bust line and elongates the figure.

The A-line
One of the most universal styles, this cut compliments every body type.

A trendy mock-wrap dress nips in the waist, flattening the stomach and creating a more hourglass figure for most any body type.
Your parent’s eyes are glistening, and a hush falls over the crowd, as the groom takes his first look at the woman of his dreams. Words can’t express what he’s feeling, but with a vibrant smile, you know he sees you and knows you’re the most beautiful woman in the world, and he’s the luckiest man alive.

Your wedding dress is the most important dress you’ll ever buy. You want your wedding dress to display your personality, style and to be a reflection of everything you are - the embodiment of the most beautiful day of your life.

Because your dress plays such a crucial role in your wedding, Allyse’s Bridal will make your experience an exceptional one.

Allyse’s Bridal is the original designer of “temple ready” dresses and continues to lead the industry in fashion forward designs. These exclusive designs are stunning, innovative and fun and give brides the choice to be beautiful and modest.

“We have a wide range of dresses available because all brides have different taste,” said Phyllis Nielsen, advertising manager for Allyse’s Bridal. “Some brides want something that is very simple and classic. Some want more embroidery work, and some want more elaborate bead work — and we have all of that.”

Price ranges for these elegant, yet modest wedding dresses start at around $350 and go as high as $1,200. From simple and elegant to beautifully ornate, you will find a dress that will suit your personality and price range. Allyse’s wedding gowns range in size from size 0 to 28. With many new styles every year, hundreds of dresses and accessories such as veils, tiaras, shoes, jewelry and petticoats, every bride is sure to find the dress of her dreams. Part of helping brides find out which dress will fit them best involves an understanding of the different cuts and styles of gowns. Consultants at Allyse’s Bridal take time to educate each bride who enters the store, helping her find the one perfect gown that will complement her figure best. Allyse’s also has professional in-store seamstresses, all of whom have years of experience and impeccable knowledge of each dress in the store, and can help you fit your dress to perfectly match your figure. A complimentary dress steaming comes with every gown. It is the goal of each bridal consultant to give every bride a positive experience in finding her dress and to make her feel absolutely beautiful and modest at the same time.

“Our bridal consultants and staff get tremendous response from brides that have had a truly positive experience,” Nielsen said. “We receive many thank you notes and letters from our customers and their families. We even receive invitations to their weddings because of the great experience and personal attention they have received at Allyse’s Bridal.”

Allyse’s Bridal is in the University Mall in Orem. You can view their beautiful wedding gowns and formal wear at www.beautifullymodest.com. For more information please call 801-226-4706.

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There are many reasons Walkers’ Eternity Bridal has been known for nearly 16 years as the place in the valley for brides to find the perfect dress.

Walkers’ is the sole outlet for Eternity gowns in Utah Valley. As such, they have several thousand dresses available for weddings, proms, banquets, pageants, quincineras, or just about any other formal event you can imagine.

This year Walkers’ is thrilled to announce the addition of Eternity’s line of Sacred Occasion dresses. These exquisite high-necked and long-sleeve white dresses are perfect for the bride’s temple sealing. They feature beautiful embroidery and are made from a wide selection of bridal fabrics. Eternity has taken temple dresses a big step up! And these dresses are now available at Walkers’.

And tuxedos! Walkers’ makes sure your tuxes are color coordinated to the events formal dresses. Walkers’ offers a complete, one-stop, end-to-end solution for your wedding needs. Invitations? Veils? Shoes? Jewelry? Tuxedos? Mother-of-the-Brides? Guestbooks and accessories? It’s all here, with generous discounts available on just about everything!

More than a decade ago, Walkers’ coined the term “temple-ready,” inspiring countless copycats and low-quality, knock-off wanna-be’s.

Don’t settle for a gown from a store that cuts corners on dress and fabric quality. Get premium, couture-quality gowns at outlet prices. Come to Walkers’ Eternity Bridal.

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- Exclusive Sacred Occasion temple dresses
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At Gowns by Pamela, it’s all about the gown. If you knew you could have exactly what you wanted, from the right neckline and sleeve, to the perfect skirt and train, and Gowns by Pamela could rent it to you, saving you hundreds of dollars, wouldn’t you rent your gown? It’s simple. It’s all about the gown.

You can have the exact dress you want, no settling and no compromises with their semi-customizing system. Gowns by Pamela is a wedding dress shop and a private design house that has been designing and manufacturing high quality gowns for thousands of brides, one by one, for more than 25 years. With styles from ball gown to mermaid or classic to cutting-edge unique, you will find the right dress for you. Gowns by Pamela has taken bridal rental to an “art form.” You can rent a gown in bridal saving packages that include headpiece, veil, petticoat, corset, alterations, cleaning and steaming fees. The bridal saving packages can be rented for up to five consecutive days. If you need more time for an additional reception, it’s only $50 for an additional five days. And, if you love your gown that much, you can purchase a Gowns by Pamela original starting at $850 and up. It’s simple.

Gowns by Pamela is by appointment to ensure one-on-one assistance and consultation. The appointments are free with no obligation. So, bring your mom or roommate to be the audience at your own exclusive fashion show, starring YOU! Gowns by Pamela is ready to help you have an experience to remember because – it’s all about the gown!

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Once you have chosen your Wedding Gown, you should check out Modest by Design in Murray or on the Web at www.modestbydesign.com for the rest of your Bridal party. They have a great selection of elegant and modest bridesmaids, mother of the bride and flower girl dresses.

Many of the bridesmaid dresses at Modest by Design come in DOZENS of colors and have tons of options. They carry many dresses in stock, and they can also special order dresses in as little as four weeks. With sizes from 0-28, numerous colors, quick delivery times, and prices that are modest as well, you are sure to find something that your bridesmaids will love.

Looking for a mother of the bride/groom dress? Finding modest mother of the bride dresses can be like finding a needle in a haystack. Modest by Design has a growing line of dresses and suits for mothers, available in dozens of colors and options. Hint: Try shopping for the mothers dresses at the same time as the bridesmaids dresses, as they take about the same amount of time to come in.

Modest by Design Clothing Company is family owned and operated, and has been in business since 1999. The company has worked to maintain their standard of fashionable modest clothing. Every dress in the store has sleeves as the owners feel very strongly about supporting those who truly want to be modest and beautiful.

Modest by Design is your bridesmaid headquarters! Come in and see what makes them different.

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When the Losees began selling jewelry in 1956 a tradition of excellence in quality, value and customer satisfaction was born. Now, more than 50 years later, the tradition continues at Losee Jewelers.

Don’t let our selection of over a thousand engagement rings, or the dazzling display of diamonds, confuse or intimidate you. The staff has nearly two centuries of combined experience, along with the most modern gemological equipment available, to help customers make informed selections of jewelry that will give satisfaction for a lifetime.

Losee Jewelers has the ability to combine any diamond with any ring style, so you are sure to find the right combination of style, quality and value to add your name to the list of thousands of satisfied customers who can proudly say, “We got our wedding rings from Losee Jewelers.”
Most people shopping for diamonds have heard of the 4 C's of diamond grading — cut, color, clarity and carat weight. At Sierra-West Jewelers, we take our clients well beyond a superficial review of what they may have heard about somewhere else. We begin by comprehensively educating each customer about all diamond grading characteristics and then, in our AGS Accredited Gem Lab, we technologically and gemologically prove that the diamond and ring they purchase from Sierra-West Jewelers is accurately evaluated and assessed according to accepted scientific grading standards.

At Sierra-West Jewelers, we also want every customer to know about the “other” 4 C’s crucial to the successful purchase of a perfect piece of jewelry that will be cherished for generations to come. Though seldom discussed, these “other” 4 C’s — character, competence, credibility and commitment — are each critical for every client to understand who hopes to purchase a beautiful piece of jewelry at a fair price from a qualified jeweler.

Character — As members of the American Gem Society, Sierra-West Jewelers and its employees exemplify the highest ethical standards in this or any other industry. We endorse and embrace all Federal Trade Commission rules, Better Business Bureau recommendations, and AGS rules to protect the buying public.

Competence — Our staff at Sierra-West Jewelers is comprised of qualified individuals with over 350 years of combined professional jewelry experience, including: Graduate Gemologists (GIA) and Certified Gemologists (AGS), Diamonds and Diamond Grading Certificate Recipients (GIA), Colored Stone and Gem Identification Certificate Recipients (GIA), Registered Jewelers (AGS), and Certified Sales Associates (AGS). We value education and insist that all of our sales associates participate in extensive training to become qualified to assist our clients in making one of the most significant purchases of their lives.

Credibility — At Sierra-West Jewelers, we believe that Credibility is Character and Competence combined. We are worthy of our clients’ confidence and we earn their trust by being both reliable and capable.

Commitment — At Sierra-West Jewelers our Commitment to Character, Competence, and Credibility is uncompromising. We are likewise committed to presenting the most extensive inventories of beautiful loose diamonds, the latest, yet most classic ladies’ and men’s ring styles, and a wide-ranging variety of other fine jewelry and watches. Our selection is second to none.

Come to Sierra-West Jewelers where we always apply the 4 C’s of diamond grading with exactness and where we epitomize the “other” 4 C’s of Character, Competence, Credibility, and Commitment to culminate each customer’s purchase with a perfect piece of jewelry—from modest to magnificent—something beautiful for every budget.

We have 23 services to offer our clients. Every customer has the opportunity to visit our gem lab and leave with a complimentary 401 diamond education. Other exceptional opportunities include:

— With a purchase of an engagement ring and diamond, receive 40 percent off a men’s band.
— When you spend $350 or more (after all discounts) on your mens band, receive a free Titanium men’s band ($175 value)
— Ask about free pearl strand or hotel stays with a purchase of $2000 or more.
— Ask us about our great refund program and wonderful employment opportunities

The foundation for a great experience is here at Sierra-West Jewelers.
For over three decades, Goldsmith Co. Jewelers has been committed to providing a level of quality, service and integrity that exceeds customer expectations. Based on these principles, Goldsmith Co. Jewelers has grown from a modest store in 1971 to the largest jewelry showroom and in-house manufacturing facility in the region.

What sets Goldsmith Co. Jewelers apart from other jewelers in Utah County? According to Trevor Feller, Vice-President of Goldsmith Co. Jewelers, it’s the store’s philosophy.

“It’s about making sure the customer is happy and that they are going to come back next time,” said Feller. “The big difference is in the service.”

The employees are dedicated to ensuring the customer knows all of his or her options and is satisfied with the decision. With an emphasis on the customer, Goldsmith Co. Jewelers’ has built a reputation of excellence, and customers have been coming back for 36 years.

To ensure every customer receives the best service possible, Goldsmith Co. hired Client Maintenance Associates (CMA), a customer service evaluation company, to determine the level of service Goldsmith Co. Jewelers provides.

CMA discovered that 85 to 99 percent of Goldsmith Co. Jewelers’ customers consistently reported receiving a level of service that exceeds their expectations. After more than a year of evaluation, Goldsmith Co. Jewelers reached the goal of providing 100 percent of customers with service that exceeded their expectations.

Through devoting their efforts to the clients’ satisfaction, Goldsmith Co. Jewelers’ employees continually work to set a precedent for jewelers in Utah County.

“It was amazing. No one had ever reached 100 percent satisfaction and no one has done it since. Goldsmith Co. Jewelers is completely committed to its customers.”

- Stephen Earl, Client Maintenance Associates

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Bling Basics

If they say diamonds are a girl’s best friend, then you better choose your ring wisely. Cut, clarity, carat and color are things to consider when choosing a diamond. But don’t forget about shape or setting; after all, this one is forever.

**Choosing the diamond**

When you go to buy that perfect ring, you will probably be told something about the 4Cs. Here are the basics.

**Carat (Weight)**

The weight of a diamond is measured in carats. One carat (ct) is equivalent to 100 points. So a half-carat diamond may be referred to as .5 carats, or a 50-point stone. According to eHow.com, one carat weighs about the same as a small paper clip.

\[ \frac{1}{2} \text{ct} = 50 \text{ points} \]

**Color**

Diamonds come in several colors, but most buyers choose a “white” diamond, or one that has very little color. The less color in a diamond, the higher the cost, with the exception of some natural fancy colors, like blue, pink and yellow.

Color is graded on a scale from D, which is colorless, to Z, which is light yellow. Stones in the D to I range are most common for engagement rings.

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**Clarity**

Clarity is how clean (without flaws like black specs or cloudy spots) the diamond is considered to be. The more clean, the more expensive the diamond. Clarity grades are based on what is seen under magnification. The grades are:

- Flawless (FL)
- Very Very Slightly Imperfect (VVS1, VVS2)
- Very Small Inclusions, which are difficult to see.

### Choosing the ring’s metal

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<td><strong>Yellow Gold</strong></td>
<td>Yellow in color. No plating of any kind.</td>
<td>Most durable of any type of gold. Requires some maintenance over time.</td>
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<td><strong>White Gold</strong></td>
<td>Slightly yellow. Gold mixed with alloys like nickel. Needs Rhodium plating (to give the white appearance).</td>
<td>Stronger than yellow gold but weaker than rose gold. Requires some maintenance over time.</td>
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<td><strong>Rose Gold</strong></td>
<td>Orangish color. Yellow gold mixed with copper. No plating needed.</td>
<td>Stronger than yellow gold but weaker than white gold. Least durable of gold family.</td>
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<td><strong>Palladium</strong></td>
<td>Naturally white. Same family as platinum.</td>
<td>Slightly whiter and slightly harder than platinum.</td>
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### Cut

The cut of a diamond greatly affects the diamond’s overall brilliance or sparkle. For a diamond to achieve maximum brilliance, it must be cut to ideal proportions, neither too shallow nor too deep.

### Six popular diamond cuts

- **Princess**
- **Pear**
- **Round Brilliant**
- **Oval**
- **Emerald**
- **Marquis**

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**Choosing the ring’s metal**

This diamond is cut too shallow. The light entering the diamond does not reflect off of the facets, reducing the luminance.

When the diamond is too deep, the light entering the diamond again falls, reducing the luminance.

Only when the diamond is the ideal cut does the light reflect off of the facets and return to the surface of the diamond giving the greatest sparkle.

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**Princess center diamond with a rose gold diamond bezel and a white gold diamond pavé band.**

Round brilliant center with a round diamond on each side in a white gold setting.

**Very Slightly Imperfect**

VSI, VS2

Inclusions, which are fairly easy to see under magnification, sometimes visible to the naked eye.

**Slightly Imperfect**

SI1, SI2

Inclusions, which are fairly easy to see under magnification, sometimes visible to the naked eye.

**Imperfect**

I1, I2, I3

Inclusions which range from eye visible to very easily seen by the naked eye.
It’s about the perfect ring, the perfect diamond, the perfect atmosphere and the perfect experience.

Like dining in a fine restaurant where the food is made to your liking, the service is impeccable, and the ambiance is comfortable, you will come away perfectly satisfied having purchased your rings from Goldesign Jewelers.

“We have established a jewelry store where couples can feel welcomed and at ease. It is no small thing for a couple to enter a jewelry store to make a purchase that is so personal, so reflective of their feelings for each other. We want their jewelry buying experience to be pleasant and gratifying,” said James Dixon, owner of Goldesign Jewelers.

Goldesign Jewelers is proud to be a full service jewelry store. Not only do they have a beautiful selection of rings, including the exclusive designer bridal line Natalie K, but they also feature in-house custom design and manufacturing. “We have pleased hundreds of couples over the years with our excellent craftsmanship and custom work,” said Dixon. James, himself, has been designing and manufacturing rings for nearly 23 years. His vintage hand-engraving style is often featured on his finished pieces.

John Kerksiek leads the team of sales professionals at Goldesign. His years in the jewelry industry and his infectious personality will help you to be well educated about diamonds and fine jewelry and ensure that you have an enjoyable experience, at the same time!

As you leave Goldesign Jewelers with your new engagement ring you may turn to your fiancé and say, “Everything about that was perfect!”
We recently sat down with Richard Wilson, owner of Wilson Diamonds and asked him some questions.

**Universe:** So, what makes Wilson Diamonds different than other jewelers?

**Wilson:** In a word, selection. We have over 1000 rings on display. We only carry engagement rings and not any fashion jewelry, so our selection is three times that of even our largest competitor.

**Universe:** What other difference are there?

**Wilson:** Our salespeople. People love them because they are not pushy or scripted like most salespeople. I think it’s because they’re not on commission, (and are genuinely interested in our customers).

**Universe:** What else are you good at?

**Wilson:** Our custom work is superb. Most women want something unique.

**Universe:** How do you handle people with a budget?

**Wilson:** We love surprising them with the quality and size they can get, especially if they’ve looked elsewhere. We like being a hero.

**Universe:** How did you get started?

**Wilson:** In 1975 my brother and I started selling diamonds to pay our way through BYU. I loved the business more than microbiology, and the rest is history.

**Universe:** Did you receive any special training after BYU graduation?

**Wilson:** Extensive. In fact, we are charter members of the American Gem Society, which requires a very high level of formal training. Only 5% of jewelers qualify for admission to the society.

**Universe:** Any last comments?

**Wilson:** It’s a fun business. I’ve made thousands of friends.
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Hur Jewelers began with humble beginnings, 1982, when Dave opened a small trade shop of tools and equipment.

“We quickly burned the $4,000 of savings my wife and I had set aside,” Hur said. “I remember the two 4-foot showcases we had with a total of 10 rings. What was I thinking?”

Hur sold his first wedding set the very first day to a couple from Spanish Fork—putting them in the black from day one! Since then, Hur Jewelers grew from a shop of 230 square feet to now their fourth and largest building of more than 10,000 square feet, which they acquired in 2004, making them the largest manufacturing goldsmiths in the area.

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“I learned long ago to make what they want, not what you think they will like,” Hur said. “In more than 25 years, we have had exactly three customers want to modify or exchange their rings.”

After attending the University of Colorado (Jewelry Arts), Hur went on to become a master goldsmith and earn his Graduate Gemologist, GIA degree from the Gemological Institute of America, the foremost degree from the world authority in diamonds and gemstones, making him among the youngest to ever attend. After over 25 years in the jewelry business, Hur still prefers his quality workmanship to “shine” through his products, rather than himself.

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When couples fall in love, become engaged and start making plans to marry, lists and list of things to think about suddenly appear. It can make a romance an overwhelming experience. The actual ceremony can be the pinnacle of preparations and couples often feel dazed by the time they reach the altar.

But LDS couples have an additional consideration of eternal proportions, that of attending the temple to receive their individual endowment, a sacred ordinance members of the church believe is necessary to enable them to gain salvation in the celestial kingdom.

Elder Joseph Fielding Smith writes in the Doctrines of Salvation, “Temples are sanctified for the purpose of performing rites for and making covenants with the pure in heart, who have proved themselves by faithful service worthy of the blessings of exaltation.”

Many young women have not received temple endowments prior to their marriage and if the young man has not served a mission, he may also need to receive his endowments. When planning a temple marriage, the endowment must be received before the ordinance of eternal marriage is performed.

The timing of receiving this holy ordinance is an important consideration for the couple. It is an individual decision and must be made in consultation between the couple, their bishops and stake presidents. Personal prayer is also essential as the woman and man prepare to make additional covenants with the Lord and take the additional responsibilities of these covenants. Couples must decide how close to the wedding ceremony they will take care of the endowment ceremony. They cannot be combined.

In a 1973 General Conference talk, President Harold B. Lee said, “...only those who enter into the new and everlasting covenant of marriage in the temple for time and eternity, only those will have the exaltation in the celestial kingdom. That is what the Lord tells us.”

There are pros and cons to receiving endowments the same day or weekend of the wedding. Many people want family members to be in attendance with them at the temple and if relatives live a distance away, having the ceremonies close together in time is most convenient. It also helps keep the memories of the endowment fresh in the bride or groom’s mind.
The negative side is that it adds a very important, sacred event in with a mountain of other events.

“The couple can be in such a daze at that time that they miss the significance of the endowment,” said Sharon Warner, a Springville resident. “If they get the endowment earlier, they have time to really be prepared and appreciate the importance of each event instead of pushing too much at the stressful end.”

Another Springville resident, Melissa Wallentine, agrees.

“It’s too much information to take in. You feel exhaustion during the reception and honeymoon and confusion about what happens where and in which ceremony,” Wallentine said.

Many people feel that taking out endowments at least a week before the wedding ceremony is the wisest thing to do. More time is available to ponder what’s been learned and additional visits to the temple are possible.

Carolyn Kim, a mother of recently married children is in favor of receiving endowments early.

“I like it. There is less stress the day of the wedding and more emphasis on the endowment,” said Kim. She also remembers her own wedding and choice to take out her endowments a week before.

“I think I paid more attention to the temple than I would have if I’d done it all together,” Kim said.
**Temple Dress Standards**

**Brides**

Your wedding dress must meet the following requirements:

- Be white. No off-white, ivory or cream colored dresses. Please avoid fastened colored ribbons, sequins and elaborate ornamentation. Colored sashes, worn for photographs and reception activities, must be removed at the temple.

- Have long sleeves. If your dress has short sleeves, the temple can provide a leotard with long sleeves to wear underneath your dress.

- Have a modest neckline and be modest in design and fabric. Sheer fabric should be lined.

- Have a removable train or one that can be pinned up or hooked out of the way.

- If a wedding dress does not meet the guidelines above, you may be asked to wear a dress provided by the temple. Wedding dresses should always cover the sacred garments for the marriage ceremony, photographs and reception activities. Temple garments should never be altered or removed in order to accommodate the style of the wedding dress.

- Brides being endowed the same day as their marriage or sealing may wear a white temple dress (available at the temple if needed) for the endowment session and then change into the wedding dress before the marriage or sealing.

**Grooms**

White temple clothing and shoes are worn for the marriage ceremony.

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"Making the Wedding Day A Temple Day"

By Drew Pepper

- Assign a few individuals to remember what is said in the sealing and write it down after the sealing. Writing down the sealer’s blessings and advice can help couples honor their covenants and remember their wedding day.

- Reading about the temple before being sealed helps couples to understand the sacredness of the sealing ordinance. The church has produced a pamphlet entitled “Preparing to Enter the Holy Temple” that explains the importance of the endowment, the sealing and other temple ordinances. Many couples find this pamphlet helpful in preparing for their sealing.

- Remove unnecessary distractions so you can focus on the sealing. Distractions can include any details that are less important, such as arriving at a luncheon an hour after the sealing.

- The less that is planned for the wedding day, the less stressful that day will be. Remember, you are being sealed. You are not throwing a weekend party. If you are focused on the sealing and temple to start with, other things don’t matter.

- Choose a few things that are important for the wedding day, and focus on these few things, such as the sealing, the flowers and the dress. Promise yourself that if those three things are fine, you will be satisfied with your wedding celebrations. Don’t let the wrong place settings or a stain on your little brother’s suit ruin your special day.

"Keep the celebrations simple, so that you are focused on what a temple marriage really means. Keep the stress level down so you can have the spirit with you."

- Liesel Martin

Liesel and Dan Martin were married May 12, 2006, in the Nauvoo Illinois Temple.
**TEMPLE RECOMMENDS**

Set up an interview with your bishop to obtain:

~ Temple recommend for your own endowment (if not previously received) or a new temple recommend.
~ Living Ordinance Recommend to have the sealing performed.
~ If you’ve previously been married in the temple, discuss with your bishop what steps must be taken.

Afterwards, set up a temple recommend interview with your stake president.

Receive your endowment on or before your wedding day.

The day of the wedding bring to the temple:
~ Temple recommends (bride and groom).
~ Living Ordinance Recommends
~ Marriage License

• Begin the honeymoon the day after the sealing. Don’t fly out the same day as the wedding day. Trying to catch a flight the night of your wedding will put unnecessary pressure and time constraints on the couple.

• Some couples prefer the bride to wear a simple temple dress. The wife can always wear her same temple dress after the wedding, and it will remind the couple of their special day when they were sealed.

• Plan the wedding ceremony at a time when all the immediate family can attend.

• Do not plan too much for the wedding day. A wedding, pictures, luncheon, wedding reception and honeymoon is a lot for one day. Look over your wedding plans and determine if every part is essential.

• Keep the location of the reception close to the location of the sealing.

• During the reception, have a parent or grandparent share a spiritual thought about the sealing.

• Take time to talk with your parents about the sealing the night before the sealing.

“Don’t plan a whole lot to do during that day. Get most everything done the day before, so you can just relax on your wedding day. Enjoy the time in the temple by knowing that everything is already taken care of.”

-Renae Hill

Renae and Kyle Hill were married May 5, 2007, in the Columbia River temple.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE**

Marriage license requirements vary from state to state. States may require a blood test or physical. It’s best to find out the specific requirements of the county where the wedding will be performed.

The requirements for Utah County:

~ The applicants (male and female) must appear together at the same time at the Utah County Clerk’s Office.
~ Pay a fee of $50.
~ Provide required information (applicants’ full names, Social Security numbers, current addresses, dates and places of birth, names and birthplaces of parents, race of applicants, one form of ID such as a driver’s license or passport).

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Dear Cristi and Jessi: Kelly couldn’t wait to call me and tell me that some of their pictures were up on your website! I just wanted you to know that you did a beautiful job! You are awesome! Thank you so much for all you did to make our day so wonderful! Love, Rennie Sanders (Kelly’s Mom)

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Using approximately one yard of double-faced satin ribbon, begin by folding over one end of the ribbon about one inch. Slip the folded loop up two or three of the stems to hold the ribbon in place. This will be the lowest point of your band.

Wind the ribbon up the base of the flowers.

Cut off any excess ribbon. Fold over the end of the ribbon for a finished look. Insert several corsage pins to secure.
Complete the satin band treatment for a base. With an approximately 2 1/2-yard length of sheer or satin ribbon, place the middle point of the ribbon around the lower back section of the band. Holding one end in each hand, bring to front and twist once. Wrap both ends around the back, bring to front and twist again. Repeat and proceed up the band to the top.

Using the remainder of the ribbon, tie a bow at the top of the band. Trim the tails for even lengths if necessary.

Finish by inserting corsage pins at each twist.

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GES Photography & Video specializes in video montages for all your special occasions—from family reunions to your wedding day.

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“Jessica has a very artistic eye,” said Sarah Wilson, one of Jessica’s many clients. “If you want a classic or traditional style, Jessica’s got it. If you want a modern and completely unique style, she’s got it.”

Above all Jessica is open to new ideas and strives to adapt her style to meet the needs of each couple. She takes the time to get to know the individuals, their style and helps them select the photo package that’s right for them.

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Hints for great wedding photos

By Amber Clawson

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Good things do come to those who wait; at least this is true for Derrick Gardner. Derrick first met Deana while they were both employed at Qwest. He admired her from afar, as Deana was occupied with the affection of another. During the fall of 2005, Derrick saw his window of opportunity open when Deana found herself unpursued. Within months of their first date, they were engaged to be married on July 14, 2006. “I guess the workplace romances actually do come to fruition!” Derrick said.

The couple was married in the Mount Timpanogos Temple with plenty of friends and family to share in the occasion. Afterward, guests, friends and family joined the bride and groom at the Skyroom Restaurant for a celebration held in their honor.

“We fell in love with the view. It adds a richness that decorations or architecture just can’t.”

- Deana Wright

The couple decided to hold their wedding celebration at BYU’s own Skyroom Restaurant. “We wanted something that was different from the typical reception center in Utah County,” Deana said. “When we first looked at the Skyroom Restaurant as a possible venue, we fell in love with the view. It adds a richness that decorations or architecture just can’t.” Because they chose the Skyroom Restaurant as their celebration location, Deana and Derrick were able to have the food catered by BYU Catering.
Deana chose her favorite color, a deep pink, as the theme for her wedding celebration. This was featured in the pink flowers, pink table centerpieces, and pink bridesmaid dresses. Campus Craft and Floral assisted Deana in choosing flowers that would accent the exotic buffet and complement her color preferences. “The experience was seamless and the staff handled and incorporated all of our suggestions into a picture-perfect evening,” the happy couple remarked. Over 300 guests attended their celebration, many of which commented on how spectacular it was.

“If you would like to hold your wedding celebration at the Skyroom, please contact BYU Catering for more information at (801) 422-5001.

“Since I served a mission in the West Indies, we wanted our menu to be based on Caribbean-style food,” Derrick said. “The BYU Catering staff was very helpful in coming up with dishes that fit our taste and our budget.” The menu consisted of many tasty delicacies: a wide variety of fresh fruits, coronation chicken in lettuce bowls, curry chicken, jerked pork, key lime tarts, dinner rolls, and flat bread. They also served zesty lemon-limeade for drinks. “Our guests were very complimentary of the quality and flavor of the foods,” Derrick remembered.

“We wanted a wedding that everyone would remember.”

- Derrick & Deana Gardner
**the celebration**

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Marriage is an adjustment. It’s that simple. With all the exciting events to plan for a wedding, couples often forget to address some of the most important marriage preparations. Ensuring that you and your future spouse are unified and ready to start a new life together is vital to a successful marriage.

Some engaged couples ignore problems and significant differences of opinion, assuming that everything will be OK once they are married. Nothing could be further from the truth. Small problems or differences in opinion are often magnified in marriage, and engaged couples should address a few issues before marriage.

The following include a few questions to consider together before marriage. These questions are only suggestions about what might be appropriate to discuss with your future spouse. Some issues might not be relevant, and there might be questions not suggested that are important to discuss before your marriage. The key is to always have open communication with one another, working through problems and differences of opinion.

1. **Finances**
   - How will we finance our education?
     - get a job
     - government grants
     - student loans
     - work/study program
     - parents
   - What are our family’s expenses?
     - rent
     - food
     - insurance
     - transportation
     - clothing
   - Can we commit to living on a budget?
   - Who will pay the bills?
   - Do we have similar financial “philosophies” about how to use our money?
   - What are our financial goals for now and the future?
     - House
     - Car
     - Investments
     - Children’s education

2. **Time Together**
   - How often will we go on a date with each other?
   - How much money will we spend on our dates?
   - What will we do on weekends?
   - How much time will we spend alone with other friends?
     - lunch with the girls
     - college football with the boys
     - shopping
     - intramural sports
   - Are there any problems with any of the friends I spend time with?
   - When we spend time together, how much time is spent with others?
     - group dates
     - double dates

3. **Children**
   - How many children do we want?
   - When do we want to begin having children?
     - during college
     - after college
   - How much space do we want between each child?
   - How do we want to discipline our children?
   - Who will discipline our children?
Religion
What will we do for family scripture study?
What will we do for family home evening?
How often will we attend the temple?
Will we pay a full tithe?
What are appropriate Sunday activities?

Health
Are there any potential health problems?
- terminal diseases
- allergies
- genetic diseases
How committed are we to staying healthy?
What types of food will we eat?
Will we use any forms of birth control?

Conflict & Compromise
How do we resolve disagreements effectively?
What issues are worth discussion and what issues do not really matter?
What entertainment is appropriate?
Will we discuss personal marital issues with family or friends?

Extended Family
How much interaction will we have with our immediate families?
How much interaction will we have with our extended families?
How involved will the in-laws be in our family?
Will we spend holidays with family?
- Christmas
- Thanksgiving
- Easter
- Fourth of July
What past family dynamics might affect our marriage?
- different money habits
- possible traditions
- raising your children
- overall cleanliness
- conflict resolution strategies

Personal Interests
How much time will we devote to personal interests?
- gardening
- football
- scrapbooking
- video games
Do we want to cultivate interests in the same hobbies?
Do we want different hobbies?
Is the partner welcome to participate in the other’s hobby?
How much money will we devote to personal interests?

Chores
Who will do what house chores?
- Cook
- Laundry
- Dishes
- Grocery shopping
- Other household cleaning
What level of cleanliness is appropriate for our family?

Career
What are we willing to sacrifice for a career?
- time away from family
- live outside the country
- more school
What are our career goals?
How many hours a week are we willing to work?
Will we let our jobs determine where we live, or will we let our living location determine which jobs we take?
What schooling is needed to accomplish our career goals?
Some brides feel they can’t have their dream reception because they can’t afford an expensive reception hall. Others feel uncomfortable requiring guests to travel to a distant venue to attend their event when there is a conveniently located cultural hall in their neighborhood. Being obligated to use a reception center’s caterers and decorators is often too restrictive for many brides.

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No other business in Utah offers the artist and the art connoisseur quite what the Alpine Art Center does at one location. If you are interested in the visual arts, there is a large gallery and sculpture park where you can view or purchase superb paintings and sculpture. You will fall in love with the unique setting and beautiful gardens for your wedding or reception.

In-house chefs prepare all the food for the center’s events and have often been asked to sell their desserts and meals directly to the public. They have thus far declined, saying that for now, they want it to be unique for their guests who come to visit them at the Art Center.

Some of the events that have taken place at the center are concerts, art auctions and shows, school retreats and dances, business and stockholders meeting, wedding ceremonies (inside and out), receptions, and the ever-so-popular company Christmas parties. In the nine years since the center opened, it has become one of the premier reception centers in Utah. People are drawn there because of the setting and culturally rich atmosphere.

Like a one-of-a-kind piece of artwork, the Alpine Art Center’s value increases because of its appeal, uniqueness and rare worth. The mottos “Where the Arts Come to Life” and “A Touch of Class” say it all. The art and event directors and owners, Steve and Carol Streadbeck, are husband and wife, and they have spent the majority of their time making sure each event meets their personal standards. If you want to make your event the most pleasurable, positive, warm and friendly event possible, visit with them at the Alpine Art Center. They will be happy to serve you.
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2. Express appreciation
3. Discuss use
4. Reference the past, allude to the future
5. Express gratitude
6. Regards

1. Deary Mr. Jones,
2. Thank you for your gift. We appreciate your generosity. With a new couch, we’re glad we purchased one now. Could you come to our reception? You were able to come to our reception.
3. We’re glad we purchased one now. Considering how far you had to travel, considering how far you had to travel.
4. Considering how far you had to travel, considering how far you had to travel.
5. Considering how far you had to travel, considering how far you had to travel.
6. Thanks again for your gift.

Love,
Sallie and Leslie

Always
Handwrite. Even if your handwriting is poor, a word-processed note appears impersonal.

Mail within two weeks of receiving a gift or service. Wedding-related notes may be given out as late as four weeks in light of honeymoon travel and settling into a new home.

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Living as a newly married couple doesn’t have to mean endless weeks of ramen noodles and shopping at D.I., but it does mean being conscientious of spending habits and living on a low-income budget. Here are some tips to make managing money a little bit easier.

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<th>Share money decision roles.</th>
<th>Don’t hide any spending, assets or liabilities.</th>
<th>Set a limit over which purchases must be discussed (i.e. $30).</th>
<th>Develop family goals as a couple and work on them.</th>
<th>Discuss opinions freely—agree to disagree.</th>
<th>Separate real from imaginary problems (i.e. spending money as emotional therapy or retaliation for other problems).</th>
<th>Keep the romance alive.</th>
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### Monthly Budget

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Income less Expenditures

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I advise you to be patient in financial matters. Avoid rash or hurried financial decisions; such decisions require patience and study. Get-rich-quick schemes seldom work. Beware of debt. Be especially careful of easily obtained credit even if the interest is tax deductible. You young couples should not expect to begin your married lives with homes, automobiles, appliances, and conveniences comparable to those your parents have spent years accumulating.

Joseph B. Wirthlin  
“Patience, a Key to Happiness,” *Ensign*, May 1987, 30

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**Five keys for an effective budget**

1. **Know what you want to accomplish**
2. **Track spending**
3. **Develop a cash budget**
4. **Implement your budget**
5. **Compare your budget to your actual expenses and make changes where necessary to achieve your goals.**

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## Eight Weeks before the Wedding

### Notes:

- **TIP:** Experiment with other flavors besides the standard chocolate and vanilla.
- **TIP:** Keep in mind the season. Use the color wheel to pick colors that will complement each other.
- **TIP:** Make a list of photos you want taken, such as ones with the bride and groom, bride’s family, groomsmen, etc.

### Temple Wedding

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### Color Scheme

- Color
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- Color

### Consultant

**Wedding Cake**

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**Caterer**

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**Photographer**

- Engagement
- Bridals
- Reception
- Wedding Day

### Reception

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### Seven Weeks before the Wedding

**Notes:**

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**Wedding Gown**

- Store Name
- Date Purchased
- □ Alterations Made

- □ Jewelery
- □ Veil
- □ Shoes

**Florist**

- Types of Flowers
  - Store Name
  - Phone

- Examples of Centerpieces
- Examples of Bouquets

TIP: Find pictures of flowers and arrangements that you like and paste them in the boxes.

**Photo Shoot**

- Engagement Photo Appointment
- Proof Date

**Premarital Exam**

- Doctor
- Appointment Day
- Appointment Time

**Apartment**

- Complex/Landlord Name
- Phone
- □ Deposit

- Complex/Landlord Name
- Phone
- Move in Date

### Six Weeks before the Wedding

**Guests**

- Guest: 
  - Bride's Party: Arriving, Staying
  - Groom's Party: Arriving, Staying

**Dresses**

- Bridesmaids' Dress Color
- Store
- Date Purchased
- □ Alterations
- Phone

**Honeymoon**

- Location Ideas
- Dates
- Location
- Phone

- □ Reservation
- □ Vaccinations
- □ Visas
- □ Passports

**Wedding Bands**

- Jeweler
- Address
- Phone Number
- □ Adjusted
### Five Weeks before the Wedding

**Insurance**
- Auto Insurance
- Health Insurance
- Life Insurance
- Home/Renters Insurance

**Bridals**
- Photo Appointment
- Proof Date

### Four Weeks before the Wedding

**Registries**
- Store
- Store
- Store

**Invitations**
- Company
- Phone
- Date Ordered
- Pick up Date
- Date Sent

### Three Weeks before the Wedding

**Purchase**
- Cake Knife, Servers
- Garter
- Guest Book, Pen
- Thank You Gifts for Wedding Attendants

**Work**
- Schedule time off from Work

**Hair & Makeup**
- Salon
- Phone Number
- Practice Time
- Those Assisting

**Marriage License**
- Date Ordered
- County & Clerk
- Phone

### Two Weeks before the Wedding

**Photos & Videos**
- Appointment with photographer
- Appointment with videographer

**Music**
- Create play list

**Reminder Calls**
- Florist
- Caterer
- Photographer
- Wedding Cake
- Entertainment
- Honeymoon Accommodations

### One Week before the Wedding

**Post Office**
- Complete Change of Address form at www.usps.com

**Manicure**
- Appointment Date
- Time

**Groom’s Haircut**
- Appointment Date
- Time
Wedding Day

Notes:

- Eat Breakfast
- Take To Temple: Rings, Marriage License, Temple Recommends
- Fix-it Kit: Safety Pins, Needle & Thread, Pain Reliever, Breath Mints, Extra Panty Hose, Make-up, Hairspray

After the Wedding

Your name typically changes when you receive your wedding license, your new name is automatically valid after your wedding date.

BYU Update
- Change marriage status at ASB, Get new BYU ID Card

Legalities
- Get new drivers license, Update Social Security card
- Order updated passport

Insurance
- Purchase life insurance, Update car insurance

Banking
- Update names on bank and charge accounts

Thank Yous
- Write Thank You notes

Financial
- Look into Pell Grants, money for schooling

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