



YANKTON DAILY
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*Wedding Planner
& Bridal Fest*

**Sunday,
January 29**

Bridal Registration
Starts at Noon

Exhibits Open
Noon-4:00pm

Fashion Show
3:30pm

Riverfront Events Center,
Downtown Yankton

**Everything A
Bride Needs Is At
Annual Bridal Fest**

P&D STAFF REPORTS

Are you planning a wedding? You won't want to miss the 21st annual Wedding Planner and Bridal Fest Jan. 29, 2012.

With the growing number of vendors and attendees this year's event is going to be spectacular. The vendors will be located on the main floor of the Riverfront Events Center. The style show will be held on the upper level. The committee is really utilizing this wonderful facility again this year.

In the past, more than 100 brides-to-be have attended the event, as well as showcasing 30-40 vendors.

No matter what you are looking for, attendees to the 2012 Bridal Fest will find what they need. Everything from photography and music to wedding attire and transportation can be found at the event. You can also find great wedding and/or shower gift ideas to give the happy couple.

Come ready to taste test like you never have before. Catering companies are there to let you taste a variety of delicious cakes and foods that can be prepared for the reception or rehearsal dinner. If you leave hungry, you didn't try enough of the wonderful foods that will be available for tasting.

What's hot to wear? Come to the Bridal Fest and find out.

Wedding attire businesses from around the area will be available to show you the latest trends. Not only can you stop by their booths, but you also won't want to miss the style show. Everything from the bride's dress to what the



bridesmaids can wear, and even mother's dresses, will be seen on Jan. 29.

Whether you are planning a wedding for this year, or looking to the future, it doesn't hurt to come and check out what is available for your special day.

What better way to make contacts than one day under one roof?

The doors are open from noon-4 p.m., giving everyone a chance to look around and check out the great booths. Brides are encouraged to register at the door. There will be door prizes given away during the style show, beginning at 3:30 p.m. Brides must be present to win.

Admission is free to the event.

Don't miss this great opportunity.

**Wedding Cake vs.
Wedding Cupcakes**

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Over the past several years a trend has been growing in popularity — wedding cupcakes.

According to Jennifer Glanzman, Sugar Momma's Custom Cakery in Yankton, the cupcakes have really been popular with the younger couples because "they want something fun and different."

"It's not quite so different any more though as more couples are doing cupcakes. They are trying to steer away from the traditional — flowers and lace and pillars. They want to go with new and trendy."

There will always be a debate of which if the way to go for a wedding. If you search online there are valid arguments for both.

One of the benefits of doing cupcakes, Glanzman said, is that

you don't have to find someone to cut the cake, let alone someone who can cut it well.

"Cutting a wedding cake is messy and time consuming," she adds.

With cupcakes it can create a large centerpiece to the reception that people can mingle around.

How the cupcakes are displayed can also add variety to a reception. Glanzmann said that the couple can choose to have a large display that people can walk around, or maybe smaller displays that act as the centerpieces on the tables.

There can be something impressive about a large many tiered display of cupcakes. If you have ever seen Cupcake Wars on the Food Network you know that the possibilities can be endless if you have the imagination the baker willing to go to the extreme.

Depending on who you order supplies from for the wedding, you can also order little boxes for the cupcakes. That way if someone doesn't want to eat the cupcake at the reception, they can take it to go.

"Then you get your dessert and wedding favor all in one."

Something else nice about cupakes is the variety of flavors you can go with. Where with a wedding cake you may only get a couple of flavors, depending on the size, cupakes can offer more choices. They can be geared to

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