

So many things to think about



The bride-to-be explains how she'd like the flowers in her hair to Jean Byars, floral designer at Bordine's Better Blooms, Avon Township.

More and more couples are making joint decisions about their weddings.

Even though it may be a little more work for her, floral designer Jean Byars thinks that's nice. And sometimes really helpful.

"Kevin and I talked Dana into some white flowers. She wanted them all colored, but most brides carry some white," said the employee of Bordine's Better Blooms in Avon Township.

For their upcoming garden wedding, the couple expected to buy flowers for themselves, their attendants and parents.

But they didn't know there would be hard decisions about aisle carpet, bud vases for reception tables and cake decorations — not to mention flowers for musicians and grandparents.

"A lot of people have no idea what they can put together and make it look right," said the floral designer.

But while he talked his fiancée into adding white to her bouquet, O'Connor insisted on just two yellow roses in his lapel.

"Put in baby's breath and I'll feel effeminate," said the bridegroom-to-be. "I don't want more flowers than my mother has."

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