# Daddy still foots the bill even in a time of lay-offs

have everything she needs for

where the unemployment rate do these things. hovers around 17 percent.

the best she has recorded in six people are struggling to put years of business. "You'll 'go food on the table. without' all year long for Christmas.

Pastor David Lack of St. Paul

Lutheran Church in Davenport DAVENPORT, Iowa — Dad-said he performed a record dy's little girl is planning her June wedding this month and, even if Daddy loses his job, indications are the bride-to-be will less elaborate.

"It doesn't seem like anything the marriage of her dreams.

Shopkeepers say business is brisk in the wedding industry around the Quad Cities of eastern Iowa and western Illinois, who do have enough money to

It may be hard to believe that Barbara Moeller, a wedding spent on wedding gowns, flow-consultant who said 1982 was ers and receptions while many

A wedding is the most important day of a woman's life, many They're getting married, believe. The traditional church there's no question about that. wedding is something for which And they're going on honey- a girl and/or her parents savor for years. Local businessmen say the

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economy has had some minor effects on the wedding market, with a few reports of postponed engagements. Mainly, the recession has made couples more cost-conscious, they say.

"They go shopping around for studios a lot more," said Darcy Gates of Henry's photogra-phy studio. "They're going for the economy line (in wedding photograph albums) as opposed

to the expensive "One couple decided it was too expensive to get married this year so they decided to wait until next year," Gates said. "That's what living together does for

The recession and unemployment are being felt in tuxedo businesses as well.

'It used to be (that) Daddy would foot the whole bill and his little girl could have anything she wanted," said Barry Burke of Mr. Neat's Tux Shop. "Now if Daddy's laid off, they're watch-

ing costs more. A clerk at Rose Glen Florist said brides "are cutting back some, but they still like to have their flowers. They're not going with the roses and orchids as much as they used to. They're still using the same amount of flowers, but using cheaper flowers like carnations and daisies."

Viola Meyers, of the Bridal Cake Shop, whose business has dropped 35 to 40 percent in recent times, said couples "settle on smaller cakes and use sheet cakes a lot more for additional

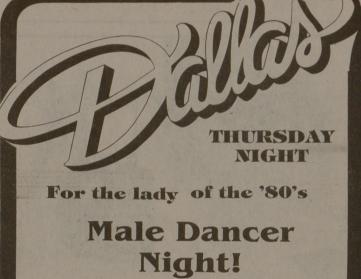
Two areas in which prospective mates are unwilling to scrimp are engagement rings and wedding gowns, store managers say.

Doug Murphy of Samuel's Jewelers said couples still have to have their diamond engage-

"It's something that's tradi-tional and people in this area aren't breaking that tradition," Murphy said.

Rosemary Meier of LouMarge's Women's Apparel said wedding gowns are selling "as well today as they did a year or so ago. The girls do more or less have a price range in mind when they come in and we work from there.

Mrs. Moeller said some brides-to-be cut costs by preparing their own food for the reception or wearing their mother's wedding dress. One client even borrowed her girlfriend's bou-



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## Photographing brides takes a special hand

by Denis Paquin

feel extremely confident of your capabilities, don't undertake the task of being the official wedding photographer. Most cou-ples take their wedding photo-graphs very seriously.

Putting fresh batteries in your camera and flash is a must before shooting any major

If you plan on taking pictures during the church ceremony, it's during the church electrons.

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And, if you don't have the ceremony. A good selection

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City clerks usually don't mind. Just don't take up too much of their time setting up sunny day, it's more en photos in their office.

Don't be afraid to shoot as many photos as your budget will allow, especially at the reception. Weddings are somewhat like funerals — a great gathering place for long-lost cousins, uncles and the like, and they all want pictures of themselves with want pictures of themselves with the bride.

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(Denis Paquin is a price of the parents.)

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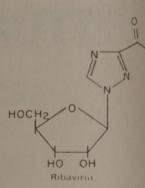
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