

# RECEPTION SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

## Before the Bride and Groom Arrive

Background music plays, refreshments, a gift table, the guestbook (from the ceremony) and decorations await the guests.

## The Formal Introduction

Bride and Groom and/or Wedding Party. Review names with announcer. Know where you are to go upon entrance. Don't either until you are certain the announcer knows you are entering.

## The Receiving Line

After your introductions, you may wish for time with the guests.

## The Toast to the Bride and Groom

To be given by the best man. Make sure the best man is aware of his responsibilities.

## The Invocation

Following the toasts, you may wish to have someone offer a blessing for the meal.

Name of person \_\_\_\_\_

## The Meal Service

Buffet or Formal. Background music continues. The wedding party and families should be served first.

Traditional First Dance: Song requested \_\_\_\_\_

## The Cake Cutting

The newlyweds feed simultaneously or one at a time.

## The Bouquet Toss

All single ladies are assembled to the dance floor. Bride throws the bouquet. The one who catches is thought to be married next.

## The Garter Toss

Single men are assembled to the dance floor. Groom removed garter from the bride's leg. The Groom throws the garter. The one who catches is thought to be the next to marry.

## The Money Dance

This is optional and a way to help couples financially on their honeymoon.

## Things to Remember

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