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Achievements

Nikki J. Begg, PWP™, Bermuda Bride, received the Best of Bermuda Award 2016 from *The Bermudian*.



Dream Weddings & Events, Duxbury, Mass., received two awards this year: 2017 Pick for The Knot Best of Weddings and the WeddingWire Couples' Choice Award 2017.



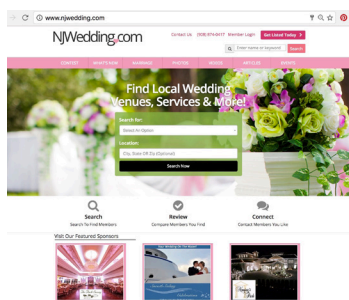
GBS Linens has announced an addition to its Taffeta Sequins Collection, Bordeaux. The Taffeta Sequins Collection currently offers white, ivory, gold, black, midnight, and Tiffany blue.

Sonia Hernandez, Clarity and Class, Events and Design, Upper Marlboro, Md., became a Certified Wedding Planner™ through the Association of Bridal Consultants.



Carmen Mesa, MWP™, (top row, third from right) Carmen Mesa Weddings and Events, Cooper City, Fla., is the Association of Bridal Consultants Caribbean manager and has been appointed as a

member of the Bahamas Wedding Council. The group, believed to be the first of its kind for the Caribbean, is made up of Bahamas Ministry of Tourism (BMOT) officials, hotel suppliers, and wedding experts, to gather intelligence and further grow the lucrative wedding and romance market.



NJWedding.com celebrated its 20th year serving the wedding community on Feb. 14. Co-publishers **Erik and Beth Kent** began formulating ideas for www.NJWedding.com after their own wedding in 1994. The site recently redeveloped with a completely new format that allows couples to search for local venues and ser-

vices on their computer or mobile device. Listings now offer additional detail and couples can enter monthly contests for special prizes. www.NJWedding.com features hundreds of listings for various types of wedding businesses and links to helpful articles, tips, and a calendar of upcoming bridal events.

David Snook, owner/designer/planner of Mx2 Event Design, Harrisburg, Penn., is pleased to announce he has joined the state's network as the region's Association of Bridal Consultants (ABC) LNG Director. Mx2 Event Design is the only ABC-certified planning team in the mid-state and operates as part of StartUp Harrisburg, a collaborative workspace in the heart of historic Midtown. Snook is pleased to bring the excellence of the ABC to the company's clients and share the opportunity of joining forces with the ABC with local wedding services providers. Mx2 Event Design has also recently been included as a preferred Wedding Planner with the Excelsior in downtown Lancaster, and they're collaborating as a preferred planner/coordinator with The Farm at Pleasant View in New Cumberland.

AnnaMarie Wintercorn, MWP™, Elegant Weddings and Events, Stuart, Fla., was recognized at a school board meeting by the Martin County School District for being a business partner and sponsor/advisor of Martin County High School Sigma Phi Club for 30 years.

In the media



Dalia Atisha CWP™, The Event Planner Inc., Royal Oak, Mich., had an editorial on a wedding she planned and coordinated published in the *Chaldean News*. She was also interviewed in an article on the latest trends on stationery for wedding invitations and shared some advice for newlywed couples.

Lynda Barnes, MWP™, I Do Wedding Consulting, Philadelphia, had a wedding featured in *Main Line Today* magazine, which serves Philadelphia's western suburbs.

Alan Katz, Great Officiants, San Diego, will grace the airways this spring and fall. After his performance on the finale episode of the TV show "90 Day Fiancé," he was cast in another TLC show that should premier this fall. Katz was also involved in a prank TV show. He brought in nine of his officiants to get pranked in a fake wedding on a Disney show called "Walk the Prank." Those episodes will air in April. Clips will be posted to his social media sites after airing. In addition, he has been positively profiled on several news stations for his humanitarian work as an officiant.



Sonia Hernandez, Clarity and Class, Events and Design, Upper Marlboro, Md., was featured in *Premier Bride Magazine* (see photo at left). The photographer was Rudney Novaes Photography.