



BOBBY EISEMAN SURPRISED MEREDITH MATTHEWS with a stunning engagement ring during a family Christmas gathering. Her church in Angier was the natural ceremony choice, and the planning for the reception at the family's own Grand Marquise Ballroom in Garner soon began.

The fabulous ballroom was designed by mother-of-the-bride Anfesa Matthews, and built alongside Anfesa's Jewelers with elegant weddings in mind. Gold, chocolate and champagne with lavish floral work set the mood for the formal ceremony and reception. As Meredith and Bobby entered the great hall and descended from the pinnacle of the sweeping staircase, they each presented a white rose to their respective parents. Guests were seated at sequined tables beneath sparkling chandeliers and alternating colors of ballroom lights, with each table's magnificent floral arrangements featured with pinpoint lights.

Before the presentation of a four-course gourmet dinner, Meredith and her father delighted guests with a choreographed dance starting slow and rolling into a John Travolta fever. The magnificent Louis XIV baroque-style seven-layer wedding cake, displayed on a Swarovski crystal-encrusted cake stand, made a memorable dessert.

The after-dinner party moved to a tent designed with a "South Beach" nightclub theme, complete with a lounge of white leather furnishings, dancing lights and confetti. Martinis flowed from a 16-foot ice-sculptured luge. A mix of entertainment included a rock and soul variety band, a popular DJ, and ShutterBooth photos. Meredith and Bobby danced amid their fun-loving guests, who were served a late night energy course of sliders, pizzas and tea sandwiches. The remarkable evening was carried out to perfection with planning expertise from Shawn Schindler's Your Special Day Weddings and Special Events, and staff.



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BRIDAL LUNCHEON
Second Empire Restaurant

REHEARSAL DINNER Caffe Luna

RECEPTION
The Grand Marquise Ballroom

CATERER Rocky Top Hospitality

PHOTOGRAPHER Azul Photography

VIDEOGRAPHER Inspot Crow Films

BRIDAL GOWN Eve of Milady

BRIDESMAIDS' DRESSES
Victorian Rose Bridals

FLORIST Fresh Affairs

CAKE Sweet Memories Bakery

**INVITATIONS AND BRIDAL
JEWELRY** Anfesa's Jewelers

**CEREMONY PROGRAM &
SEATING CHART** Paperwhites

CEREMONY MUSICIANS Trumpeter,
Soloists and Organist

RECEPTION MUSIC
Sea Sound Studio; The Gentlemen
and Their Lady - East Coast
Entertainment; and DJ Mike Morse

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TRANSPORTATION The Royal Rides

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