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*Vicki & Stephanie*

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- HAIR & MAKE-UP Kandis Cunningham, Make Up On the Move
- FLOWERS Janine's Flowers
- MODEL Kristen Garner
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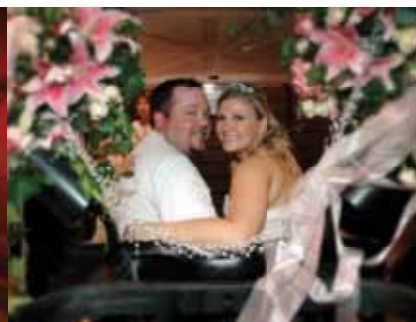
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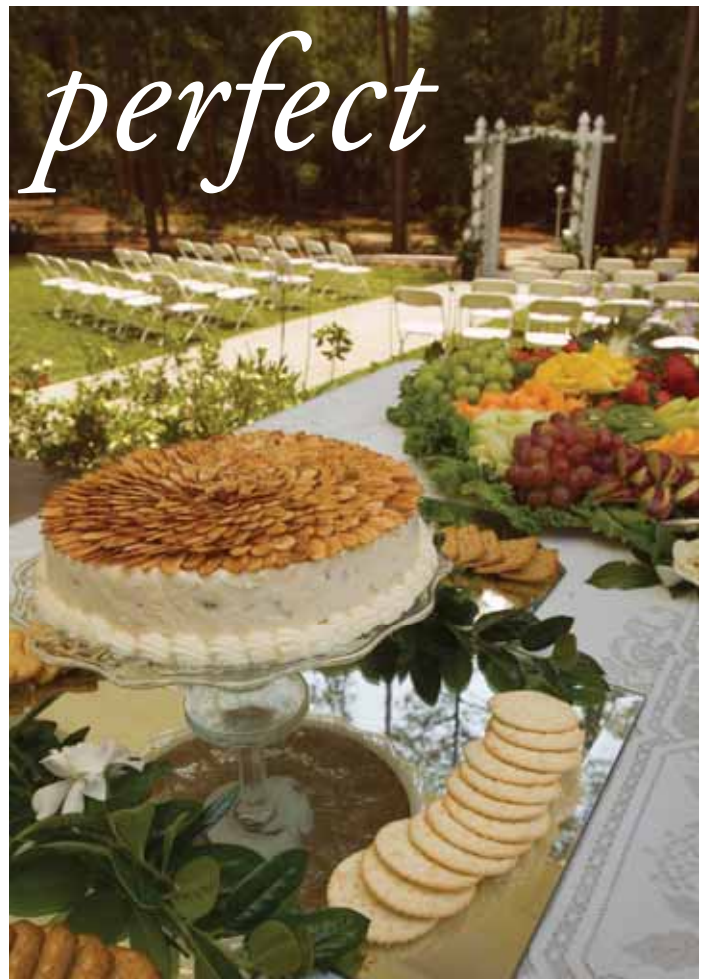


# Setting the perfect STAGE

BY STEPHANIE L. STROBEL

Color, lighting, fabrics, and flowers....they can all work together to create an ambiance that will take your guests' breath away. Brides are always looking for the latest trends that will make their special day truly unique and unlike no other brides. Along with the help from a few experts, who specialize in creating the perfect atmosphere, you'll find the possibilities are endless.

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they will be more adequately able to plan your seating and serving arrangements.

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## DECEMBER 20, 2008

### KATIE & MICHAEL YOUNKER

#### *The Couple*

Katie Marie Coup, Wichita, Kansas  
Michael Scott Younker, Lees Summit,  
Missouri  
December 20, 2008

#### *Introductions*

It was like a scene out of the movie, *You Got Mail*. Katie and Michael met on Match.com. They sent emails back and forth to get to know each other. “Our initial emails were huge” recalls Katie, “I still have all of them, they are pages long.” The two emailed for about 10 days before their actual first date. As soon as Katie walked into the restaurant and got her first glance of Michael, he took her breathe away. By the end of their first date, she was fairly confident that they would marry. “I am not quite sure why. It was just a feeling but I knew that he was the one for me even though I kept telling myself to be careful,” she said. “It was worth the wait!”

#### *Two Become One*

A Christmas wedding was inevitable. Katie had always wanted a Christmas wedding. They set their wedding date for December 20, 2008. “Christmas is my favorite

time of the year. It’s already a time of celebration, love and family and thought it was also a perfect time for a wedding!” said Katie. The two were married at Firestone-Baars Chapel at Stephen’s College followed by a reception at the same location in the Kimball Ballroom.

#### *The Dress*

Katie choose a beautiful crisp dupioni ball gown with a traditional silhouette designed by Lea-Ann Betler in Allison style. The focal point of this gown was the elegant rusching that criss-crossed and hugged the bodice. The slightly scooped neckline was encrusted with pearls and crystals. A full box pleated skirt fell into a chapel length train. The look was completed with a fingertip veil and comb headpiece that complimented the neckline of the gown. Katie also carried a faux fur stole; symbolic of the holidays, and white gloves and silver shoes.

#### *The Presentation*

The wedding had a holiday flair! The couple went with a Christmas theme with horse drawn sleighs. The colors were red and silver. It was extremely important to Katie and Michael to get married in a location that would represent them and their spirituality. They scoured the city to find the perfect venue. They ultimately decided on Stephen’s College as it provided exactly what they needed. The chapel was the right size and the ballroom has very interesting architecture. “It was very important to us to have the chapel and reception space within walking distance, because we were concerned about people having to drive in case the weather was bad,” said Katie.

Natalie Merrill, Event Solutions, was their wedding planner. Katie and Michael made their wedding different by incorporated very personal touches that meant a lot to the both of them. They personalized the ceremony that reflected their beliefs and gave away antique sleigh bells as favors. Continuing with her theme, Katie had her grandfather’s sleigh brought into the ballroom for decora-



tion. The couple even gave out sugar cookies and milk at midnight. “Natalie with Event Solutions did an absolute fantastic job! She helped me think through every single second of the entire weekend and then when the time came, she managed all the details so I could enjoy myself. I did not worry about anything on my wedding day because I knew Natalie would take care of it!” said Katie.

Since horses are known for pulling sleighs and Katie being a horseback riding instructor, she decided to incorporate her love for horses into the holiday theme. She adorned the reception hall with several of her silver trophies as centerpieces and also included trophies from her sister and mother. The couple also included many old photos for people to look at during the cocktail hour. “We kept everything entertaining and there were very few waits for anything through the reception so that our guest did not get bored,” Said Katie. “Our wedding was very personalized to Michael and me.”

#### Memories of the Night

The couple gave their guest a treat with their first dance. They took the time to take dance lessons for several months and practiced at home. This was a secret they kept from most of their guest. So when they couple started their dance with a rumba, the guest started cheering. There was so many memories of the day...but according to Katie, “One of the most memorable moments was after the ceremony when there was the moment of coming back up the aisle and the organist played the Widor and the guest started ringing their bells. I started crying,” closed Katie.

## Who did what

**Wedding Planners**  
Event Solutions, Natalie Merrill

**Photography**  
Silverbox Photography

**Invitations**  
Original Paper Art

**Flowers**  
Christy & Company

**Dress**  
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**Ceremony**  
Firestone-Baars Chapel, Stephens College

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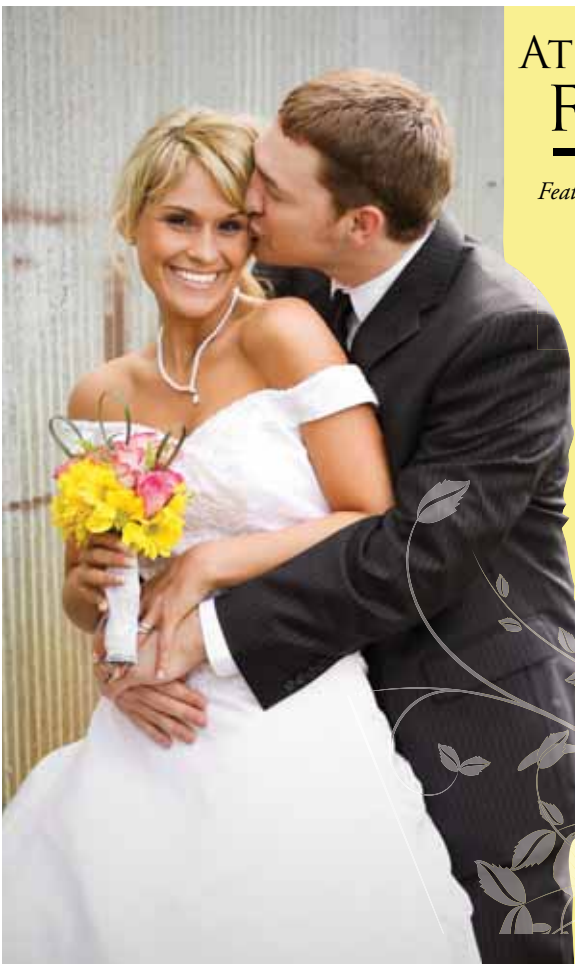


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## MARCH 29, 2008

### ASHLEY & ERIC HASTY

#### *The Couple*

Ashley Brooke Steffes, Jefferson City, Missouri

Eric William Hasty, Jefferson City, Missouri

March 29, 2008

#### *Two Become One*

Ashley knew Eric was the one pretty early on. Everything with him happened so easily. They did not have any awkward or uncomfortable moments. “When he said he loved me, I believed him and I knew I loved him too,” said Ashley.

Ashley and Eric chose the date of their special day because on this date two years ago they had began dating. Eric and Ashley were determined to have a small, intimate ceremony and did not want to be dwarfed by a large church. Finding a place to hold the ceremony was the most difficult decision. Since Ashley was Catholic, they needed to find a location where a priest would perform the ceremony. Green Chapel on the campus of University was the chosen location. “We instantly fell in love with the chapel!” said the couple. It just so happened that there was also a venue right across the street to host their reception.

#### *The Dress*

For Ashley, her dress was unique to her and no other bride

would have the same one. She purchased two gowns from the clearance rack at Victoria’s Bridal and Formal Wear Boutique. She then took them to Ashley Dost and told her what she liked and disliked about both dresses. From there, Ashley Dost created a sketch for her based on her specifications. Ashley’s personal tailored dress was then created. “The gown was probably my favorite part of the wedding,” recalls Ashley. “The dress design was the collaboration between Ashley Dost, a sorority sister and good friend, and myself.”

The dress was a 1920’s silhouette of satin and transparent vintage silk Madeira lace with hand-sewn pearl and Swarovski crystals. A black sash tied with a bow around the waist was accented with an antique crystal chandelier earrings and her maternal grandmother’s wedding ring, which Eric had restyled with sapphires as a wedding gift.

#### *The Presentation*

Wanting to create a simple and classic wedding, Ashley chose to dress her bridesmaids in black dresses. “I chose black and ivory as my wedding colors,” she said, “Many people shy away from the black bridesmaid dresses but I am a huge fan of the little black dress.” Ashley and Eric’s wedding had incorporated several personal touches that were unique to the couple.

They did not have a specific theme but ensured that the feeling surrounding the event involved family ties. They lined the aisles with hand-tied tulle bows and had pictures of all their family member's weddings. The aisles began with recent photos of family members and ended with wedding photos of their grandparents. They were standing by pictures of their grandparents and great-grandparents when they had said their wedding vows. "It was a quiet but powerful statement!" Ashley added.

The wedding cake sat on a hand-crocheted lace tablecloth made for them by Ashley's paternal grandmother as a wedding gift. The cake was topped with the same wedding topper that Ashley's parents used at their wedding. In her bouquet, Ashley carried her mother's crystal rosary and her maternal grandmother's ruby ring. She also carried a handkerchief bonnet she wore at her baptism, which she wrapped around the bouquet.

#### Memories of the Night

"Since we had such a small wedding ceremony, many of the reception guests did not get to see the ceremony. At the reception, we set up a slide show of pictures from the wedding so everyone could enjoy. I also hand-made a foot-soak, under the brand name of my personal business, Bath Cocktails, to ease the pain from all the dancing my guest did that night!" closed Ashley.

## Who did what

#### Venue

A.P. Green Chapel, Ceremony  
Stoifer Lounge, Reception

#### Dress

Victoria's Bridal, Jefferson City  
Custom design by Ashley Dost

#### Bridesmaids & Formalwear

Victoria's Bridal

**Photographer** - Duncan Photography

#### Cakes

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**Catering** - University Catering

**Floral Design** - My Secret Garden

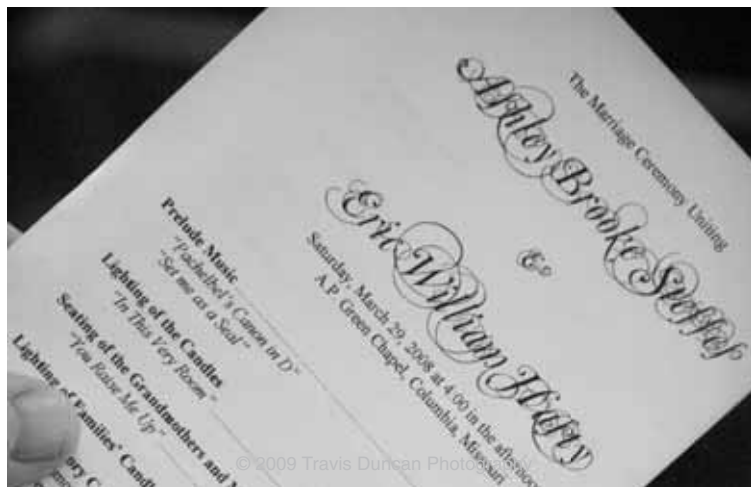
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**The Couple**

Joni Stanley, Osage Beach, Missouri  
Jason Mitchell, Mountain View, Arkansas  
April 25, 2009

**Two Become One**

Living at the lake, Joni has always loved its environment. She knew when her and Jason would finally tie the knot it would have to be at the lake. The couple chose to have the ceremony and reception all in one place. Therefore, they chose Seven Springs Winery. "It has beautiful scenery," said Joni. "I fell in love with the venue and they were very helpful." Seven Springs Winery had offered the couple exactly what they were looking for. Joni and Jason said their "I do's" on April 25, 2009 in front of a small personal crowd, which included their small infant and a wedding party of five. They were determined to keep it simple, small and personal.

**The Dress**

Joni wore a Grecian style gown that featured spaghetti straps and an open back, adorned with beading and lace inset. "It was elegant yet simple," said Joni.

**The Presentation**

The wedding theme was the lake winery setting. The colors were chocolate and sage green. They chose to have the ceremony inside because of the weather being so unpredictable in April. Flowers were designed by At the Lake Flowers and Furniture and the cake was created by Sugar Loft Cake Shoppe. "Kathy with Sugar Loft did an amazing job on the cakes!" said Joni, "We gave her a picture of our tent, because we like to go camping, and she created the grooms cake from just the picture. It turned out great." The wedding cake was a three tier block

cake. "Our cakes were incredible looking and they tasted amazing. They were well worth the price and the guest enjoyed it," she added.

**Memories of the Night**

"The most memorable moment for us was when we saw each other for the first time right before I was walking down the aisle," Joni closed.



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*Who did what*  
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# Rediscover the *Lake of the Ozarks* as your *wedding* option

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As the Professional Bridal Consultant of the Lake of the Ozark region I get daily requests for wedding locations at the lake. These questions got me thinking and I decided to do something about this and educate everyone all over about the wedding possibilities at the Lake of the Ozarks.

This past spring I got several of my vendors together only to find out that they get the same kinds of questions. So we decided it was time to start pulling together as a community to bring attention to one of the most over looked areas of Missouri, if not the United States, as a wedding location. First thing that we did was to form an association. The Lake of the Ozark Wedding Association has a very nice website; please visit [www.lakeozarkweddingassociation.com](http://www.lakeozarkweddingassociation.com) to register for information. You will also be given information about the first annual Bridal Stroll. We have taken two ideas and blended them to make you, as well as the vendors, happy. We took the idea of a bridal show and a pub crawl (minus the alcohol) and created this opportunity for you. The Bridal Stroll will take place on Sunday, October 11, 2009. Shuttle services will be provided to hand deliver you to all of the participating venues, as well as vendors, at the Lake of the Ozarks. Make sure to wear comfortable shoes and plan on an entire day, as there will be a lot of ground to be covered. It is on this tour that you will get to sample food, cake as well as get visual examples of what everyone can do to

help you. The consultants of Simply Elegant Wedding and Event Planning L.L.C. will guide the tours so that you will have time during travel to "ask the professional."

So, what are some of the places that the lake has, as well as. reasons to get married there? Close your eyes and picture your ideal wedding location/venue. Do you have it? Do you have it embedded all the way down to the table linens? Then we have that location for you at the Lake of the Ozarks. Let's start with golf courses and country clubs, wineries are always a fun location for weddings and now you do not have to go to Herman to have your dream winery wedding. There are two that

are currently hosting weddings and events. Both are unique in their own way all the way down to the wine. Perhaps your idea wedding at the Lake of the Ozarks is actually on the water, after all, you are at the Lake of the Ozarks! There are two yachts that offer weddings as well as rehearsal dinners and other events. Hotels, lodges, B&B's and waterfront mansions are always an option as well. How about a historical location? Need help finding churches? Take your choice, no matter the religion there is a church available to help you and you are at the lake so do not over look the ones that give you the option of an outdoor ceremony. Want a club for your reception? What's your style? Do you want a typical dance club or one on the water, what about one that has a beach, yep, we have those as well. Perhaps you are a simple couple and really just want a hall, there are several organizations that have halls that they rent out for weddings all of the time with nearby lodging.

Does the Lake of the Ozarks have wedding options for you? Yes, more options than people realize and any place to accommodate any group, any size, any budget and any dream. Contact Stephanie Snofke with Simply Elegant Wedding and Event Planning L.L.C. at [www.lakeozarkweddings.com](http://www.lakeozarkweddings.com) or call 573-286-6335 to schedule your appointment for a personal tour of the Lake of the Ozark wedding vendors and to help you book your destination wedding. Why go anywhere else to get married when you have an oasis in your backyard filled with the best wedding professionals?

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**Capacity** ~ 300 inside, and an additional 125 outside

**Indoor/Outdoor** ~ Both

**Catering** ~ In House Only

**Ceremony Site** ~ Yes

**Reception Site** ~ Yes

**Unique Features** ~ an elite professional bridal consultant from Simply Elegant Wedding and Event Planning L.L.C., the lake’s premier wedding planning company is provided for “day of” services at no additional charge. The winery also offers a shuttle service to and from your Lake location for a small fee.





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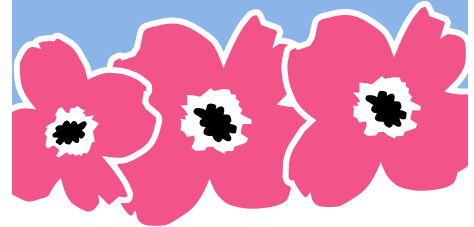
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The Museum staff is eager to help you with your special day. Our wedding venue rental includes the elegant boardroom overlooking the majestic Mississippi River and adjoining dressing room. The Rockwell Gallery offers an elegant and memorable setting for an exquisite ceremony surrounded by 15 original Norman Rockwell paintings and priceless Twain artifacts.

In addition to the Rockwell Gallery, the Museum houses an auditorium that is perfect for your small reception or wedding shower. Catering is permitted and encouraged. The Museum will provide a list of suggested caterers.

Dreaming of an outdoor wedding? The Museum can grant that wish as well. The mall in front of the Mark Twain Boyhood Home, a National Historic Landmark, provides the ultimate outdoor venue. Picture yourself surrounded by four buildings on the National Register of Historic Places and the site of one of America's most famous love stories - that of Tom Sawyer and Becky Thatcher.

**Capacity** ~ Up to 100

**Ceremony Site** ~ Yes

**Indoor/Outdoor** ~ Both

**Reception Site** ~ Yes

**Catering** ~ Outside



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## *Alpine Parks & Gardens*

In its serenity, surrounded by its wildlife preserve and meadows, Alpine Park & Gardens offers the perfect setting for those Memorable Wedding and, Receptions. Set among century old White Oak trees and upland forest, an ageless Timber Frame Pavilion stands guard over the water ponds and botanical gardens.

This turn of the century farm, located just north of Columbia, offers its guest many amenities to make their occasion as special and intimate as nature will allow in its grandeur. Alpine Park and Gardens, on its 42 acres, is one of Missouri's evolving botanical parks and wildlife conservatories that boasts extremely unique and comfortable surroundings. Can accommodate groups of various sizes with a multitude of activities such as feeding the Koi fish, bird watching, walking and enjoying family games. Alpine Park & Gardens stands alone among its peers for creating lasting memories of your special event.

**Capacity**~ Pavilion sits 150-200  
\*Amphitheater sits 200+ \*Grounds hold 200+ the grounds can accommodate larger events depending on nature & time of event.

**Indoor/Outdoor** ~ Outdoor

**Ceremony Site** ~ Yes

**Reception Site** ~ Yes

**Catering** ~ Outside Catering Allowed

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After all, its design and details will live in photographs, as well as the memories of friends and family. Therefore, add your own personal style when choosing your perfect wedding cake.





### CHOCOLATE WRAP shown on page 30

This heavenly design is for the Chocoholic at heart. Pictured here are four tiers of our luscious chocolate cake that has been lightly iced with chocolate butter cream and then tier by tier wrapped in a deep dark chocolate fondant. We then sprinkle the top of each tier with a chocolate crumble, lightly dust the rolled edges for a nice contrast & adorned with hand made sugar roses.

by **Sugar Loft Cake Shoppe**

### AQUA & WHITE shown below

Fondant enrobed cakes can transform almost any design to fabulous heights. With this three tiered wedding cake our bride chose to use fondant for the clean smooth appearance. The aqua stripes were for the groom and the softer piping was for her making the wedding cake a very personal collaboration. Fresh white roses further enhanced the soft elegance that she was after.

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### EVERYTHING BUT GARDEN VARIETY shown right

Get inspired by this wedding cake that features alternating round and square cakes. This butter-cream frosted cake is adorned with fresh lillies, berries, and heather. Icing piped flowers accented with pearls have been added for a touch of whimsy. by

**HyVee Bakery**



### WILDFLOWER CASCADE shown above

Fall in love with this classic four-tiered butter-cream-frosted cake. It is draped with large, vibrant deep purple calla lily, purple gerbera daisies, daisy mum and pom pom mums. by **HyVee Bakery**



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