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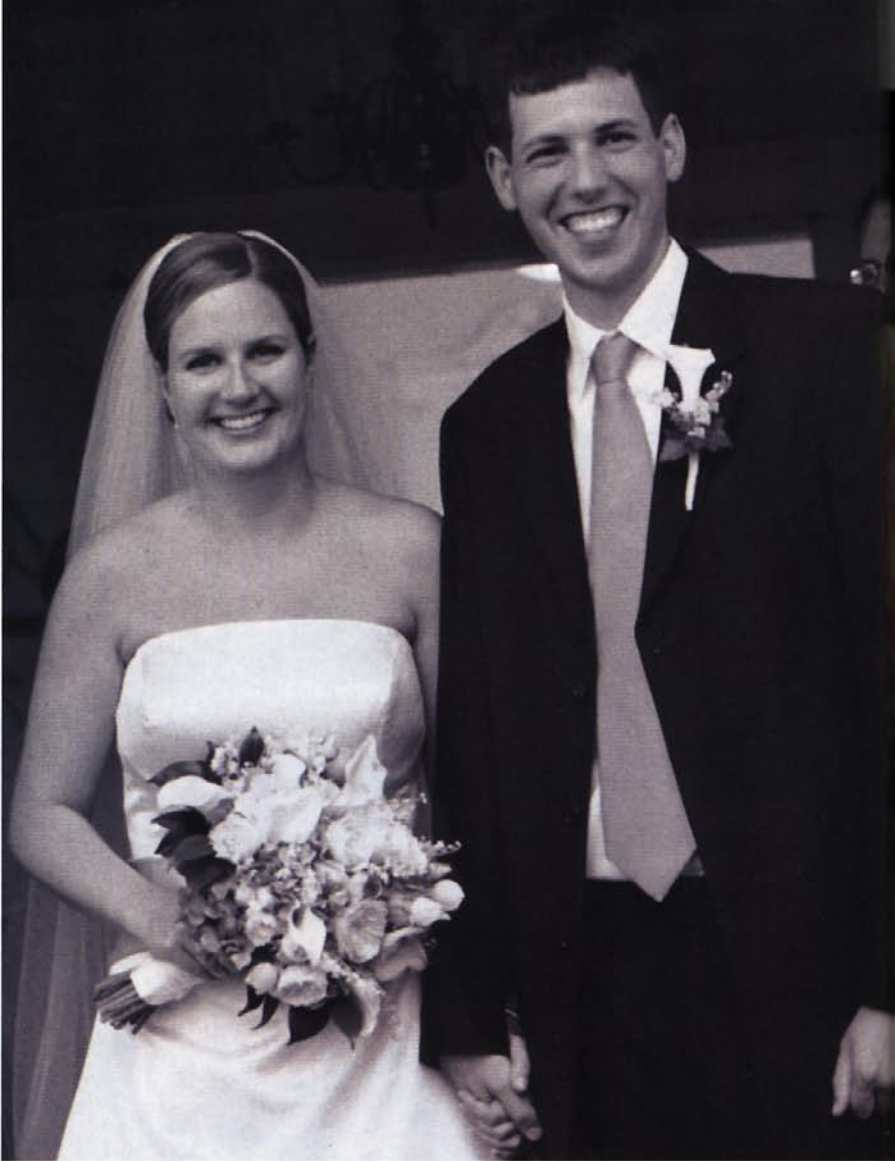
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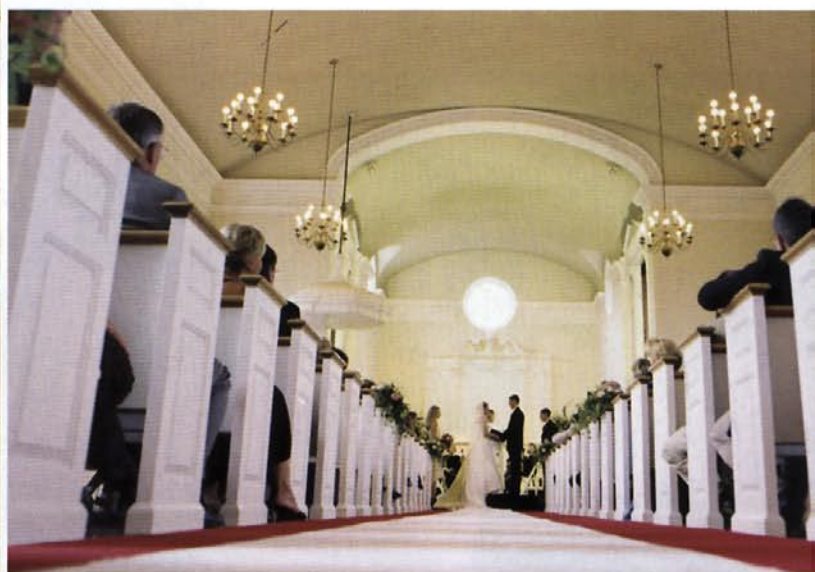
AUGUST 16, 2003, SIMSBURY

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Elizabeth Pomeroy, 23, a marketing coordinator, and Stephen Lipscomb, 24, a PhD student in economics, have known each other almost forever. They played on the same soccer team when they were seven, were friends during middle and high school, started dating senior year, then remained together while attending college. After graduation, they split up—at least geographically.

Steve went to California for graduate school, and Liz pursued her career in New York. “But that didn’t last long,” Liz laughs. On the first night of her first visit to see him in Santa Barbara, Steve cooked a wonderful dinner and then suggested a twilight bike ride on the coast. “We stopped at an amazing vista on the cliffs,” Liz says. “Suddenly, he was down on one knee! I was shocked, and excited.”

When it came to picking a spot, there was no question: the wedding would take place in their hometown of Simsbury. The ceremony at the Ethel Walker Chapel was between Liz and Steve’s childhood homes, and the reception followed at the Hop Meadow Country Club, where Liz had spent much time as a child. With Steve in California, Liz relied on weekend planning sessions with her very helpful mother who acted as the unofficial wedding planner. “I had a great time”



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putting the wedding together," she said. "I kind of wish I could do one every year!"

The color scheme incorporated shades of pink, orange, and green. Liz designed the save-the-dates, invitations, programs, and place cards, and even printed the escort cards herself. The programs featured a pink stripe below a row of orange dots, a theme also reflected on the wedding cake.

"I set up a table in the entry lounge for the escort cards, covered it with a flat of moss, and scattered it with roses in pink and orange. The escort cards, printed on perforated business cards, were glued onto bamboo skewers. Then I 'planted' the cards in the moss," she explains. "It was a lot of fun to get creative like that."

Even the fans handed out at the ceremony were decorated with vibrant pink, orange, or green ribbons. The funk band that played after dinner was equally electric—even Liz's grandmother said she loved them. After a long night, Steve and Liz realized it was time to go. "We were the last to leave!" she says. —E.B.





LIZ & STEVE'S INGREDIENTS

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