Jessica & Peter

WEDDING: August 4, 2012 PHOTOGRAPHER: Betsy Wall Photography CEREMONY: St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, Minneapolis RECEPTION: Semple Mansion, Minneapolis HONEYMOON: Kauai and Maui, Hawaii

Jessica Lyon and Peter Shepard first met while attending middle school at Breck. After college, they met again—and this time sparks flew—at the Shepard family's annual shrimp and champagne Christmas party. They dated long-distance for more than a year while Jessica finished her master's in public health at Boston University, before moving to Chicago, where Peter is finishing law and business degrees at Loyola. For their wedding, a Breck pastor, who has been a friend to the pair for more than 20 years, officiated at the ceremony. Halfway through the cocktail hour celebrations, the bustle on Jessica's dress broke, but with the help of her bridesmaids and a handful of safety pins, this near-calamity was quickly averted. The bride herself was having such a wonderful time that she'd hardly noticed, a true testament to a successful wedding.



(CREDITS) GOWN: RIVINI | BRIDESMAIDS' DRESSES: AMSALE | HAIR & MAKEUP: MN BRIDAL MAKE-UP ARTISTRY | GROOM'S ATTIRE: SAMUELSOHN | GROOMSMEN'S ATTIRE: VERA WANG | CAKE & POPCORN BAR: GATEAUX | CATERING: D'AMICO | FLOWERS: SADIE'S COUTURE FLORAL & EVENT STYLING | LINENS: APRÈS PARTY AND TENT RENTAL | STATIONERY: PAPER DOLL | WEDDING PLANNER: LASTING IMPRESSIONS WEDDINGS | ENTERTAINMENT: BELLA NOTA, BENNY WEINBECK TRIO, SYNERGY