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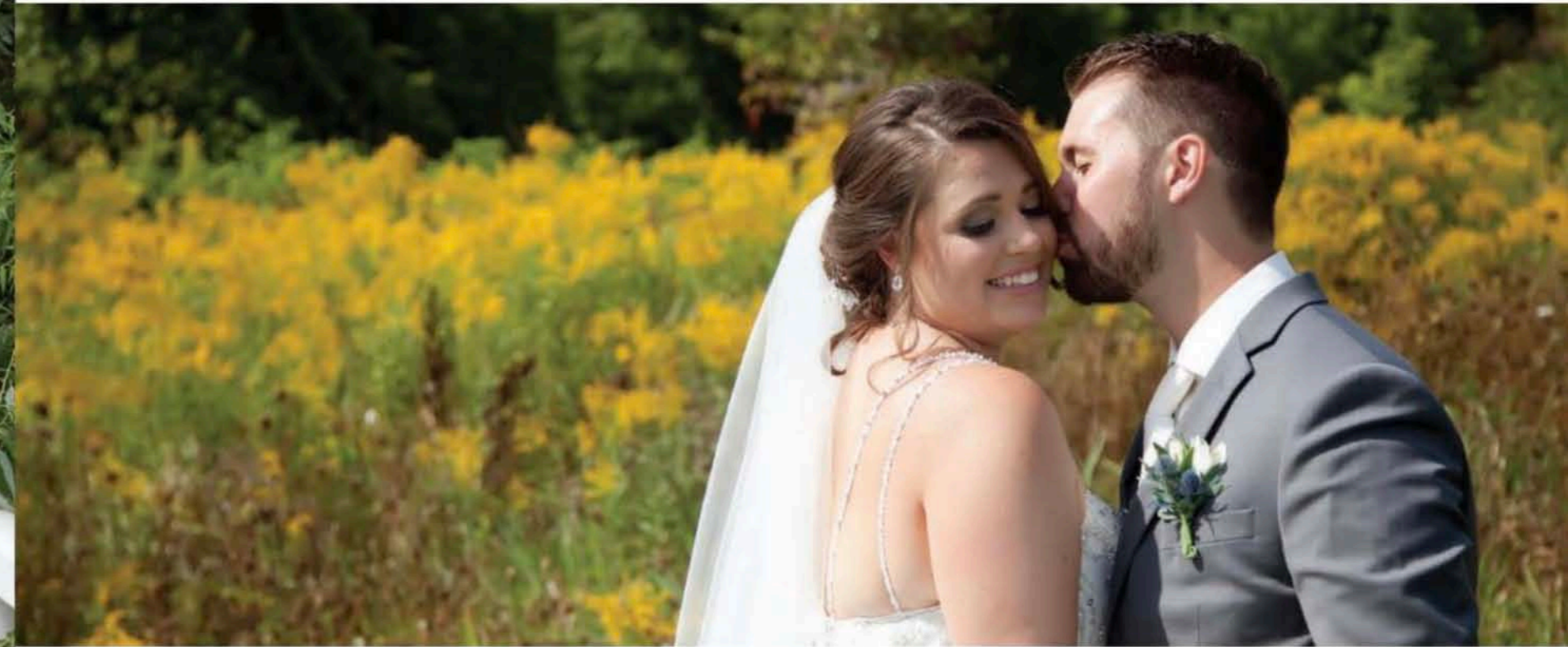


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*Eryn and Vince*

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## Paradise Wedding

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When bride-to-be Eryn Fuscaldo and her fiancé Vince Goobie were looking for a venue for their September 7, 2018 wedding, they settled for no less than Paradise. They found it was conveniently located in Concord, Ontario.

“We fell in love with the architecture and stunning chandelier at Paradise Banquet Hall and Convention Centre,” says Eryn, who lives in Innisfil with husband Vince. “The chandelier initially drew us to the venue. They have a beautiful private garden for the ceremony and a gorgeous selection of ballrooms for reception. Being able to have our ceremony and reception in the same place was important to us.”

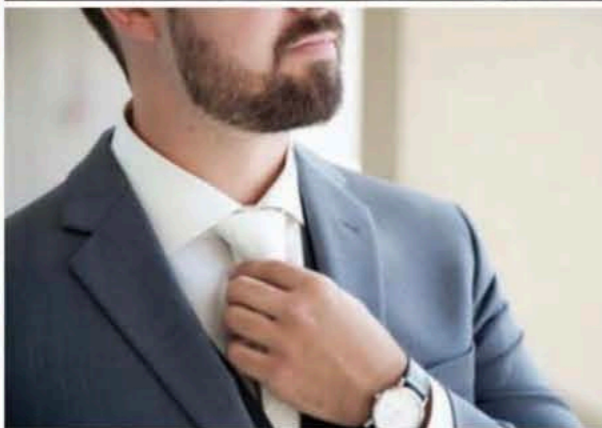
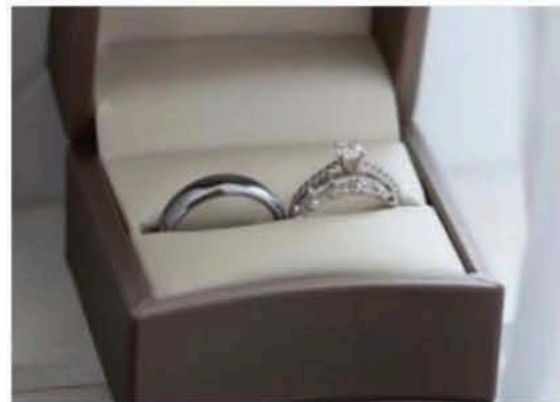
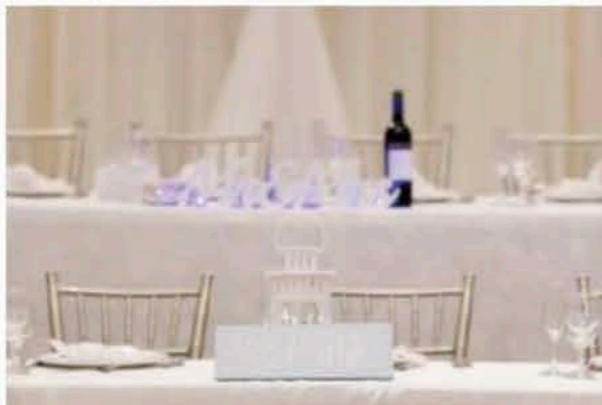
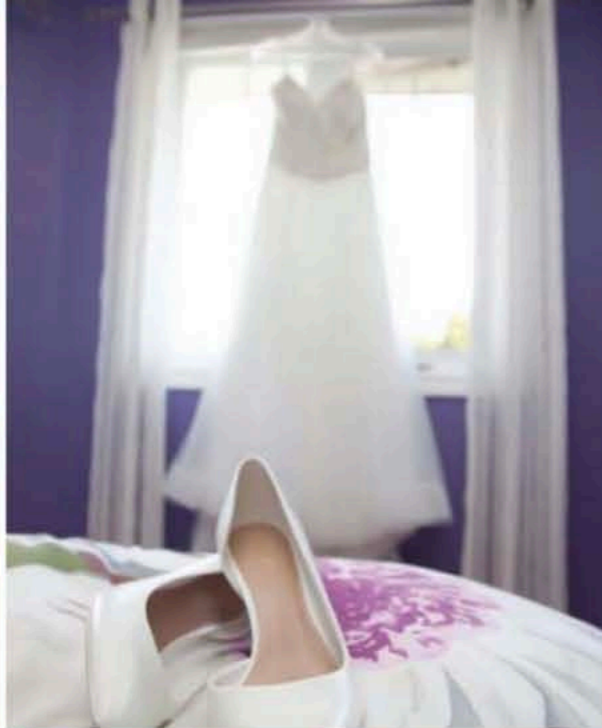
Deciding on a Friday for their wedding, the couple started firming up details for their day. When it came to what DJ they should hire, the choice was easy.

“John Gerlings, the father of Vince’s best man, DJ’ed our wedding,” says Eryn. “He owns Do You Wanna Dance DJ service in Sutton. When he started playing Top 40 hits, people streamed out to dance.”

Eryn and Vince met at Leon’s Furniture in Newmarket when she worked in the front office and Vince worked in the warehouse. After they randomly met at a bar on New Year’s Eve 2012, their love story began. Love led to a proposal up north.

“We were at my friend’s cottage in Parry Sound, hanging out on the back patio,” recalls Eryn. “Suddenly, Vince got down on one knee and asked me to marry him in front of two of my friends who recorded the proposal. They, of course, hadn’t told me that they knew this was going to happen.”

“It took about a month to plan how I was going to propose,” adds Vince. “I had bought an engagement ring because I knew it was time. We had known each other five years. We



had ring shopped a couple of years prior, so I knew what she liked. Eryn sent me pictures as little hints.”

Though the weather had been humid, the couple’s wedding day dawned with gorgeous weather. Their 83 guests gathered in Paradise Banquet Hall’s secluded private garden for the outdoor ceremony. An elegant white colonnade provided a stunning backdrop for the nuptials.

Meanwhile, the bride did something that would become one of her favourite wedding day memories.

“I loved our sneak peek before the wedding,” says Eryn, with a smile. “It was just Vince, me and our wedding party. We didn’t feel any pressure and I got to absorb that moment. I loved this intimate moment with each other. We went to a park very close to my Mom’s house. I used to go there often when I was a kid to play soccer and watch fireworks. It’s a special spot for me.”

Eryn wore a classic ivory A-line gown with a beaded bodice and straps crossing dramatically in back. She and her attendants carried bouquets of white roses, blue thistle and eucalyptus in keeping with the wedding’s blue, and white colour theme.

The best man and groomsmen were chic in grey suits with vests and steel blue ties. To match his bride’s gown, the groom wore an ivory tie.

“I was pretty nervous because it was a big moment standing there at the front,” recalls Vince. “When I was waiting for Eryn to walk down the aisle, all the bridesmaids walked up and hugged me. I didn’t know they were going to do that. I broke down.”

“Our officiant told me this was something other brides were starting to do - having the bridesmaids hug the groom or give him a kiss on the cheek to lighten the mood,” explains Eryn. “It lets the groom know how important and loved he is.”

In the ballroom, which was decorated in a steel blue, light blue, and white palette, guests were treated to a meal of Italian food and lots of it. Late night snackers could chose from poutine and funnel cake stations. Fun, dancing and laughs with the bartender went on all evening.

“The bartender was great,” says Vince. “I think he had more people at his bar than there were on the dance floor.”

“He made a shot for us called ‘The Broken Down Golf Cart,’” says Eryn. “Everyone at the reception must have had one. It was delicious. We have no idea what was in it.”

“We’re still trying to figure that out,” says Vince, who took his new wife to Punta Cana in the Dominican Republic for a relaxing honeymoon.

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Engagement ring: Spence Diamonds  
Wedding bands: Charm Diamond Centres

**DRESS SHOP**  
Wedding Dress: Best for Bride, Barrie  
Bridesmaids: David’s Bridal

**TUX SHOP/MEN’S SHOP**  
Moore’s

**CATERER**  
Captain Robert’s Table – Discovery Harbour

**CHURCH/HALL**  
Paradise Banquet Hall

**MUSIC/DJ**  
John Gerlings -Do You Wanna Dance, Sutton

**HAIR STYLIST/MAKEUP**  
Hair: Elisha Let me Do Your Hair, Barrie  
Makeup: Makeup By Lee, Collingwood

**INVITATIONS**  
Vistaprint

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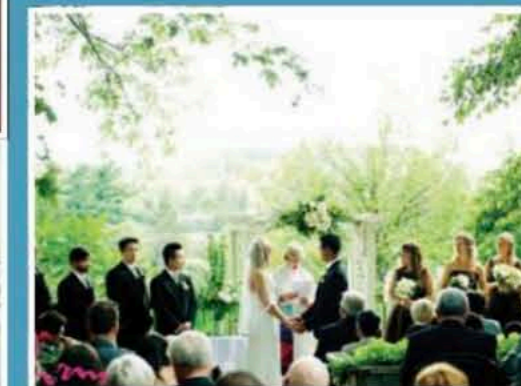
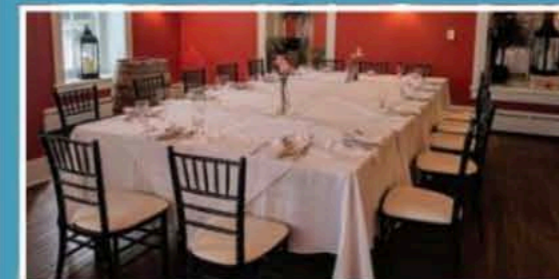
**TABLE/GUEST FAVOURS**  
Bottle openers

**WEDDING PARTY GIFTS**  
Bridesmaids: Robe, necklace and mirror  
Groomsmen: Beer mug and flask

**TOTAL COST OF WEDDING**  
\$17,000

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