

LeaAnne Morrison & Jon White
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When LeaAnne White looks back on her wedding day there is one brief moment that still gives her chills. The favorite goose bump-causing scene occurred while the bride and groom were at the altar. Suddenly and unexpectedly, the priest stopped the ceremony and asked the couple to turn around and look into the faces of all their loved ones who had come to help celebrate this special day.

"We could really relax and take it all in," says LeaAnne. Having time to concentrate on those present was especially meaningful for the bride who, up until that point, had been completely focused on her future husband.

"When I was walking down the aisle everyone else was a blur. I was only concentrating on Jon, Jon, Jon," she says. But, thanks to the minor pause in the ceremony LeaAnne had a moment to focus on everyone else as well. "I get to remember who was there. I captured everything."

Jon and LeaAnne had known each other as children, having met while showing horses. After high school they lost touch, but were reunited in 2004. By December of the following year, LeaAnne was anxious for a proposal.

"Jon and I woke up Christmas morning and opened presents with his family. It was one of those special days that had once again come upon me -- waiting to get 'the ring.' His gift was the last one I opened and I was shocked to find a...watch. Once again, another day, no ring," she jokes. >>

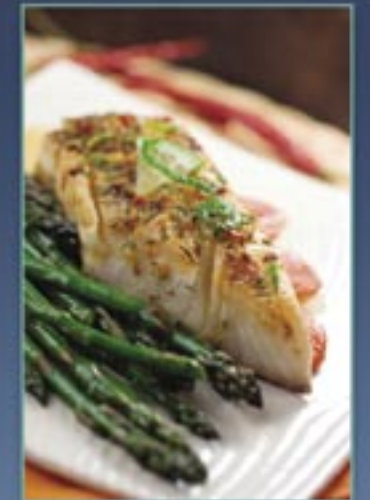


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Yet, later that night Jon took LeaAnne to their favorite spot - a waterfall on his family's Hill Country ranch and asked her to be his wife. "Of course I said 'Yes! Finally, the ring! I was so surprised!'"

On Nov. 4, 2006 roughly 200 people watched the couple recite their vows at the Travis Park United Methodist Church. Despite the massive altar, the wedding party consisted of only two beautiful flower girls dressed in matching white dresses with a thick chocolate-colored sash, one bridesmaid and a groomsman. "It was easier and more sentimental to have only one person standing there with you," says LeaAnne.

Following the rather traditional ceremony, the bride literally kicked off her wedding shoes, donned a pair of custom-made cowboy boots and headed to the reception at the Buckhorn Saloon and Museum. To the sounds of a fiddler, guests first enjoyed cocktails on the museum's first floor while dozens of mounted animal heads peered down upon the crowd. "I'm sure a lot of people walked in and were like, "Wooh. What did I get myself into," says LeaAnne.

But, an unexpected twist was revealed once guests were led upstairs to the Topperwein Room, an elegant reception hall beautifully accented with wood columns, candles, rustic furniture and the wedding colors of chocolate brown and sage green. On the tables, the centerpieces were freestanding bouquets of wheat tied with a brown bow and placed on top of a piece of animal fur. While guests mingled among the catered food stations and the museum exhibits, the Jason Allen Band provided some good ol' country music. Referring to her wedding theme as "Texas sheek," LeaAnne says, "I knew I wanted it to be rustic, but still elegant. And still be Texas. That was my goal."

"Our main goal was for people to have fun, to have a unique wedding that people will never forget and I think we accomplished that."

Of course that brief moment at the altar concentrating on all her loved ones will always be LeaAnne's favorite wedding memory. And the one detail she didn't plan for. ♦

Ceremony Location: Travis Park United Methodist Church
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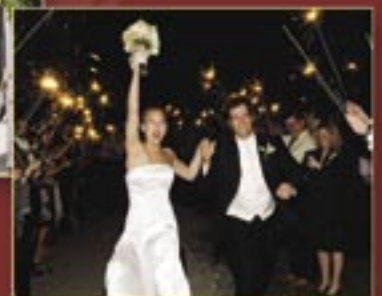
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