



LACOUR

FALL 2005

Dear Friends,

As fall draws near, we're looking forward to finishing out a year that has delivered a series of celebrations, both professional and personal.

We continue to meet so many wonderful couples and families through our photography, including a pair of Atlanta sisters who planned their weddings together.

We hope you enjoy reading about this and other events happening at LaCour.

Erin Reed

Mark Adams

Andrew Niesen

Rachel LaCour Niesen



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International Distinction

In June, the Wedding and Portrait Photographers International recognized LaCour's photographs in its annual 8x10 print competition.

LaCour received two first-place awards in the photojournalism categories, and two third-place awards. Fifteen additional photographs received Accolades of Excellence.

LaCour also placed in the spring quarterly wedding photography competition held by the Wedding Photojournalist Association. Mark won for his photo "Dancing Girl" taken at a wedding in San Francisco in April.



Andrew's "Alana's Bouquet" placed first in the details category at WPPI.



Mark's "Flower Girl" was awarded third place in the details category.

Andrew and Rachel traveled to Germany in September to photograph The World Beard and Moustache Championships in Berlin.

This unique event has been held in four countries and attracts over 100 contestants who compete in categories ranging from "Handlebar" to "Musketeer." A panel of judges determined which beards and moustaches in seventeen categories merited coveted world-champion titles.

Andrew and Rachel created a portrait series of the contestants, which will be featured on the LaCour website. Photographs were made using both Canon EOS digital cameras and an antique Speed Graphic 4x5 press camera. To view the portrait series, check www.lacourphoto.com/features in early November.

Looking ahead to upcoming photo shoots, LaCour is proud to have been chosen as the photographers for the October wedding of Steve Simon, one of the three partners in Bold American Catering, and his fiancée Kellie Burley. The couple will marry in Atlanta.

LaCour has developed a close relationship with Bold American through the weddings they've worked on together over the years.

And lastly, on a personal note, Mark and Erin got engaged in late January during a skiing trip to Park City, Utah. They're planning an August 2006 wedding on the beach in Charleston, S.C., where Erin grew up. Andrew and Rachel will be in the wedding party.

Second Kiss

Mark and Erin photographed the wedding of Mark's best friend, David Hamilton, and his wife Sarah earlier this year in Augusta. Erin captured this moment as the couple grabbed a quick kiss during their recessional. David and Sarah will be in Mark and Erin's wedding next summer.



Family Ties

Atlanta sisters Amy and Jenny Nelson got engaged within five months of each other and found themselves planning their weddings together, which would take place less than a year apart.

Amy married Brian Krieger in September 2004 in Santa Rosa Beach, Florida, and Jenny married McCullough Hodgson in June 2005 in Atlanta.

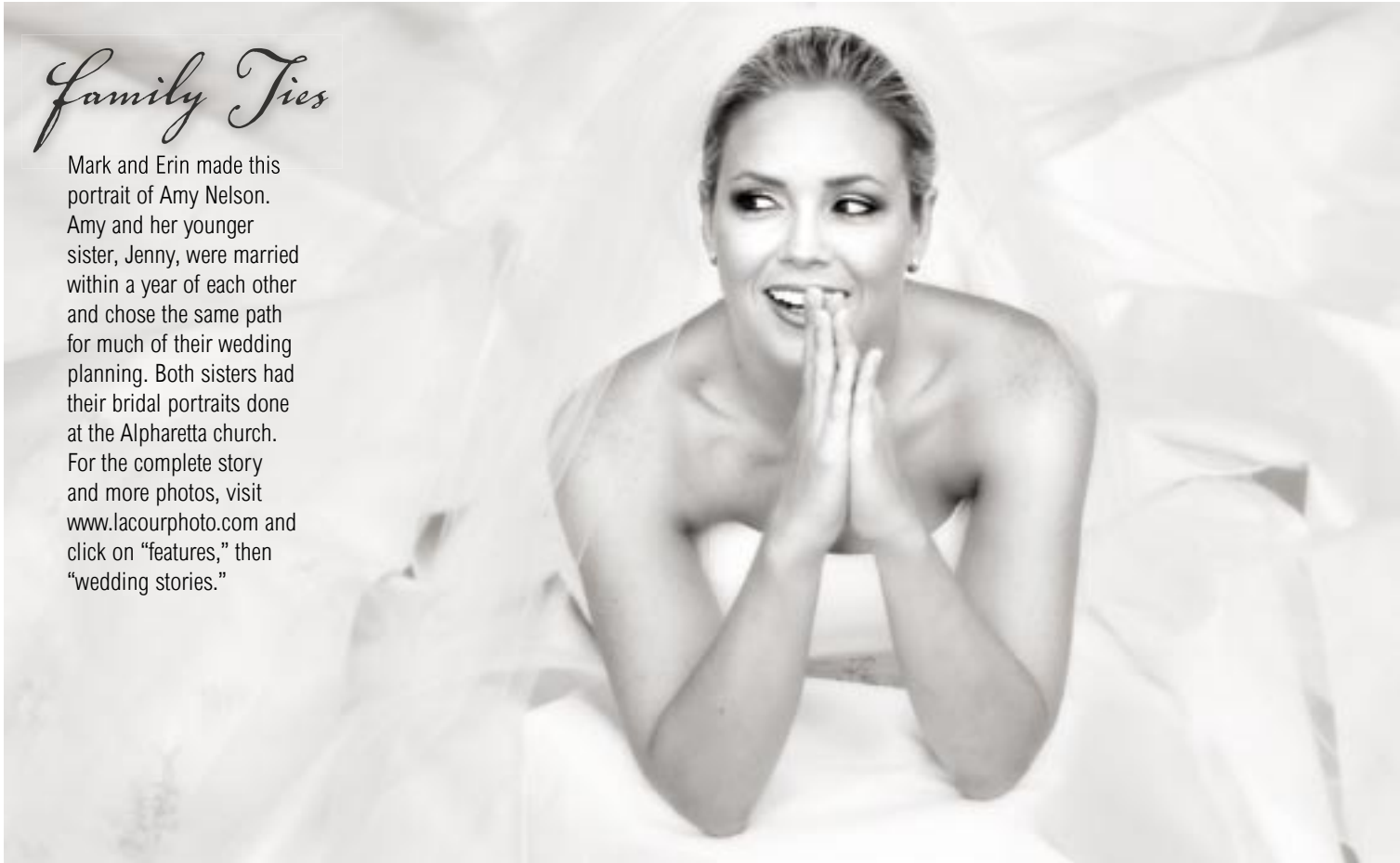
They followed each other's lead in most of their vendor selections. They both wore gowns by Atlanta designer Anne Barge. They were both photographed by LaCour and had their bridal portraits done at the same place, their childhood church in Alpharetta. And they both danced to local band Atlantis at their receptions. Both sets of bridesmaids even wore matching necklaces made by Amy through her jewelry company, A. Jewel. To top it all off, they both honeymooned in Jamaica.



Mark made this portrait of Jenny Nelson a few weeks before her June wedding.

Family Ties

Mark and Erin made this portrait of Amy Nelson. Amy and her younger sister, Jenny, were married within a year of each other and chose the same path for much of their wedding planning. Both sisters had their bridal portraits done at the Alpharetta church. For the complete story and more photos, visit www.lacourphoto.com and click on "features," then "wedding stories."



The Del Baroni Orchestra has been entertaining Atlantans for years at social functions such as weddings, charity balls and corporate galas.

LaCour has had the pleasure of working with the group on several weddings, including the wedding of Rachel's brother, Jonathan LaCour, in 2004.

The high-energy orchestra knows how to play it all, from big band and Motown to rock and country.

"The Del Baroni Orchestra's renditions of our love songs were nothing short of magical," said Maura Coley, who hired the group when she wed Kevin in May at the Ansley Golf Club. "We found ourselves constantly looking up at the stage to check and see if Frank Sinatra was actually up there singing. They're that good."

Del Baroni
Orchestra



Learn more about Del Baroni, above, and his band at www.delbaroni.com.



LaCour photographer Mark Adams captured this moment between Lily Amirpour and Brian Carmody in the garden outside the Old Federal Reserve Bank Building in downtown San Francisco, where they were married.

Mark used a Canon EOS-1D Mark II digital camera with a 70-200mm lens to create the image.

To see more photos from this featured wedding, visit www.lacourphoto.com and click on “portfolio.”