

Photos 1-20, Nate and Charlene, January 5, 2008. The marriage was at one of my favorite churches to photograph, St. Casimirs Catholic Church in Elmira. This was my first wedding in winter and I thought it was great and look forward with great anticipation to doing many more winter weddings. The reception was held at Elmira Country Club, always a great time and excellent food and beverage.

Photos 21-40, Francis and Clarissa, July, 7, 2007. The marriage was at a church in Liberty, Pa. The primary focus of this wedding is the reception at the Black Wolf Rod and Gun club in Liberty, Pa. The club was way out in the boonies but what an awesome spot for a reception. This set of photos illustrates my "30 minute plan" very nicely. The bride, groom and myself, spent some time taking photos in the small shale type creek not far from the clubhouse. We also spent some time photographing in and around the old clubhouse. Can't get much better than this!!

Photos 41-60, Thomas and Rebecca, May 27, 2007. The marriage was at a very stunning church, inside and out, the First Presbyterian Church in Wellsboro, Pa. When I found out this was going to be a military wedding with Navy officers and enlisted, I thought I had died and gone to heaven. What an awesome opportunity to photograph a wedding with full dress, Navy whites. The sword detail out in front of the church was definitely a highlight of my season. Wellsboro makes an excellent backdrop for any photos at any time of the year.

Photos 61-80, Dirk and Heidi, October 9, 2007. WOW!!! This wedding and all the extras finally let me see what it is I want to photograph as far as weddings and such. First, I spent the best part of October 9, 2007 photographing an engagement/rehearsal dinner. We started at a glass blowing shop in Corning and then proceeded with just the couple and I to many different places in the surrounding community for outdoor engagement photographs. Harris Hill, The Sperr memorial park, and the old farmhouse that Dirk and his family have owned for over 100 years were the backdrops for this awesome session. The only downside was that it was 85 degrees and muggy on this day. The wedding took place the next day at Sarrasins in Penn Yan. A great setting on the upper end of Keuka Lake. The couple went on their honeymoon and when they returned we set a date and time for the post-wedding session. Heidi went so far as to get her hair done just like it was on the wedding day. The wedding gown was again put on and Dirk donned a very nice suit and we went photographing. The fall foliage shots, the cornfield shots, the Towne and Country Fire Department shots and lastly, we returned to the old farmhouse to finish the days session. I will let the photos speak for themselves. For those checking out my services, I have just one question: "Why, if I am offering *ALL* these great opportunities, would you not want to do this?" *ALL* of my flush mount packages *INCLUDE ALL* of what you see in these photos. SEE pricing tab for details.

Photos 81-100, Andrew and Jenna, August 4, 2007. The marriage and reception was held at one of the most awesome places to have a wedding in the Finger Lakes region, Bellhurst Castle just outside of Geneva, N.Y. on the Northern end of Seneca Lake. Here is another look at an engagement/rehearsal dinner session. We started the day at Bellhurst and traveled down Route 14 towards Watkins Glen, stopping to take shots wherever seemed nice. The pier at Captain Bills is always an extremely great place to photograph. We also went into Montour Falls to photograph the group at She-Qua-Ga falls. It was 95 degrees this day. The next day at the wedding was *ONLY* 85 degrees, but an absolutely gorgeous day for a wedding. We did lots of outdoor photographs with the group, and as part of my "30 minute plan," with just the bride and groom, including the awesome rim light shot in front of the window at sunset in the old section of the castle.

Photos 101-120, Tom and Stacy, August 18, 2007. The marriage was at the Elmwood Baptist Church in Elmira Heights and the reception was at Elmira Country club. The church was small and quaint. A couple of my best shots of the season were taken at the church with a fish-eye lens. Photos 111 and 112 are two of these types of photographs. As always, the country club is excellent in all aspects. The couple and I did spend some of my "30 minute plan" out on the course taking some late afternoon shots overlooking the clubhouse.

Photos 121-140, David and Miriam, September 8, 2007. WOW!!! Another awesome opportunity for me to photograph something very cool and out of the ordinary. David and Miriam are re-enactors. So for an

engagement session, we headed to the Newtown Battlefield just outside of the Elmira city limits where we photographed in lots of different locations within the park. The couple then donned period clothing and we photographed in the Indian village on the outer portion of the park. Definitely an engagement session to remember. The marriage was at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Ridgebury, Pa, high on a hilltop overlooking Gillett, Pa. The reception took place at the Hilltop Inn on Jerusalem Hill in Elmira. We had a big thunder boomer come through at the end of the day on this wedding reception.

Photos 141-160, Thomas and Beth, September 29, 2007. For those interested in destination weddings here in the gorgeous Finger Lakes Region of New York, check out these amazing photographs from Tom and Beth's wedding. The ceremony and reception were held at the Chateau Lafayette Reneau winery on the East side of Seneca Lake. It was a spectacular afternoon and evening on the lake. As you can see, the wedding was held outdoors on the grass just below the winery. Like I have said before, why wouldn't you want to do this type of wedding, especially if you are not from around here. The amazing scenery and hospitality are second to none. The happy couple now reside in Switzerland.

Photos 161-180, Jeremy and Alica, July 14, 2007. Did someone say "DESTINATION WEDDING"? WOW!!! Here are a couple who both are from this area but now reside in North Carolina. They chose the Finger Lakes Region because of the natural beauty of the region. And, a lot of friends and family still are here!! The ceremony was held at an 1800s church now called the Lodi Historical Society. The interior and exterior are absolutely awesome as you can see from some of the photos. The reception was held at the Ginny Lee Café which is part of the Wagner winery on the East side of Seneca Lake. We got a little wet stuff later in the day but we were still able to fill the "30 minute plan" with lots of shots at the church and some on the deck at the winery. Excellent choices for a "Destination Wedding."

Photos 181-195, Bill and Cassie, May 10, 2008. These and the following 15 photos are examples of on-location engagement photography. Bill and Cassie will be married in May of 2008 and wanted to capture some of the fall atmosphere in their engagement shoot. These and the following shots are from the gorge area of Watkins Glen State Park.

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Photos 196-210, Joe and Kelley, July 11, 2008. Joe and Kelley came to a wedding expo this past autumn. The photos of Bill and Cassie were on display and they wanted to do an engagement session just like what they saw being displayed. The rest is history. They booked with me for the July wedding and off we went into the gorge. An interesting phenomenon happens in the gorge. These two sessions were photographed two weeks apart. In the interim, there was a substantial rainfall and leaf drop during this period. The gorge is the same, but there is a distinct, somewhat different look and feel to these two photo sessions. Again, only one question: "Why wouldn't you want to do this?" The photos tell you more than I ever can.

Thank you for checking out my samples from my past seasons weddings. As you can see, the Finger Lakes Region is an excellent choice for a Destination Wedding. Please feel free to tell friends, family and whomever you like, the awesome benefits of coming here, to our fabulous region for their special wedding celebration. And, of course, choosing Schwarz ProFoto as your photographer will make the whole experience a satisfying and lifelong memory.

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