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Journal Entry: Week Six

During my fifth week at Soiree we met with the bride of the weekend’s upcoming wedding, Jessica, for the second time. We met at the downtown mall in Charlottesville and collected all of the last items such as her guestbook, escort cards, menus, and programs from her. This allowed us to not have to worry about getting these very important items the day of the rehearsal or the day of the wedding. This weekend’s event was a wedding for Owen Basham and Jessica Nelson. They both attended and graduated from UVA and came back to Charlottesville to get married. They were married in the Chapel and had their reception at Keswick Hall. Julianne had one of her staff members to stay at the Chapel to do the wedding, while Julianne and I went to Keswick Hall to prepare everything for the reception.

The staff at Keswick Hall is very attentive and on top of getting tasks done promptly. They were a huge help to Julianne and I throughout the entire day. The florists, lighting company, band all arrived on time and did their jobs wonderfully. The tent company had previously set the tent up outside which made everything else a lot easier. Julianne and I fixed small details on the table settings and made sure that transportation was getting everyone where they needed to be on time. This wedding reception went very smoothly, and the bride and groom were having a lot of fun dancing with and talking with their guests. I helped monitor the event and made sure that all the guests were happy and having a good time. The night ended at midnight for all of the guests, but I had to stay afterwards to help gather all of the bride’s items that she wanted to keep. All in all, this was a very fun wedding and a great learning experience.