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**MEGAN** 

**PASQUINA:** 

So I met him at my sorority Christmas party. I was in Alpha Phi. And he was a PB. He came over for the party with friends. They dragged him there.

And it was a little hectic. And one of my sisters had been trying to light a can of Sterno under the buffet table. And she had a can of pepper spray instead, thinking it was a lighter, and sprayed the room that I was in, setting up. And I inhaled the pepper spray [INAUDIBLE] a little. And I wasn't really thinking much about it.

But then I go downstairs. And a mutual friend introduced me and Lincoln. And we started talking. And it was a great conversation-- great to meet him. But all the sudden, I started coughing hysterically because the pepper spray was coming up from my lungs.

FRAN BROWN:

[CHUCKLING]

PASQUINA:

So hysterical he thought I was faking it. And so as I coughed and said I needed to get some water, he thought, all right, she's done with me. And we'd gone through the rest of the night, didn't see each other again. And then two weeks later, the sororities at least, used to go around and sing Christmas carols at the frats. And so we were it his frat. And he had just come back from hockey practice, and smelled very badly.

**BROWN:** 

[CHUCKLING]

PASQUINA:

And we started talking again. And my sorority sisters laughed. And I stayed. And we kept talking.

And eventually I said, you really need to go shower. I'll stay here. I won't leave. Because he was afraid that if he went to shower, I would have left. So I told him to shower. He came back smelling much better. And then we started dating. [LAUGHTER]

**BROWN:** 

And you've been together ever since?

PASQUINA:

And we've been together for eight years. Yeah.