

Valley Couples in Business

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In honor of Valentine's Day this month, we are featuring some of the Valley's most "in love" business owners.



Ken and Lucia Schnitzer – Owners of Luci's Healthy Marketplace

After meeting in 2002 in a local Scottsdale art boutique, Ken and Lucia knew that they had a special connection. A few years later, the couple was married at the Chabad of Phoenix. Shortly after the birth of their first child, Lucia was diagnosed with breast cancer. The battle with cancer didn't hold them back. Winning the battle against breast cancer was an inspiration to live a healthier lifestyle. In 2009 Luci's Healthy Marketplace was born. The Phoenix marketplace is a casual, modern coffee bar that features healthy portions of affordable grab-n-go meals, a wide selection of healthy organic foods, safe household products and an extensive selection of the finest coffees and wines. Today, you can find the happy couple raising their kids and working in the bustling marketplace.

www.lucishealthymarketplace.com



Paul and Jenny Green – Co-Owners of The Body Lab Pilates+

Paul and Jenny met at Sapporo in Scottsdale. Paul chose a table that was close to where Jenny was seated, and it took him about an hour to build up the courage to say hello. He thought she was the most beautiful woman he has ever seen. Three years later, they tied the knot. They are expecting their first child in a few months and are working together to manage their two fitness studios, The Body Lab Pilates+, in Phoenix and Scottsdale. The Body Lab specializes in Pilates, cardio and weight training that incorporates the state-of-the-art Megaformer, creating an experience unlike any other fitness routine. The Body Lab also offers 50-minute small group classes crafted by international fitness guru, Sebastien Lagree.

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Dr. Michael Robb and Sylvia Robb – Owners of FIX24 Scottsdale

Michael and Sylvia were both students attending Life University Chiropractic College in Atlanta, Georgia. Mike was teaching for chiropractic technique clubs, and by chance, Sylvia attended one of his seminars. It must have been fate. After being told by another student that Michael was a practicing student doctor on the school's campus, Sylvia began to visit Michael for her migraines. After the headaches were gone, she still found little ways to keep in touch with him. They started spending a lot of time together and the attraction grew. A year later, they were engaged and have been a team at FIX24 ever since. FIX 24 is a chiropractic center located in Scottsdale that focuses on the cause of pain rather than the treatment of symptoms to improve the body and mind.

www.thefix24.com



America Corrales-Bortin and Terry Bortin – America's Taco Shop

Terry and America first met at Pattie's Lounge in Scottsdale. After months of trying to win her over, America finally agreed to go on a date, there was however one condition: Terry had to ask her brother for permission to take her on that first date. America's passion for traditional Mexican cooking began when she was living in the city of Culiacan in Sinaloa, Mexico where she prepared meals for her large family. The couple shared a keen interest for food and cooking and made their dream into a reality. America's Taco Shop opened it's first set of doors in Phoenix in 2008. The restaurant quickly became a local favorite and has been recognized with many awards and accolades. Now Terry and America are raising their two girls and keeping up with their busy taco shops.

www.americastacosshop.com