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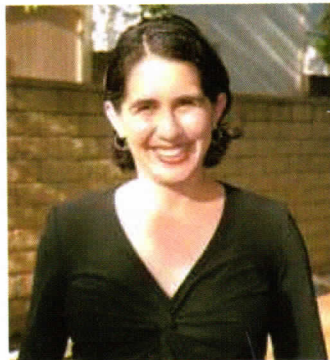
27% have an advanced
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or own their own business

What We Do

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: KIMBERLY SCHWARZ

By Jenn Greene



Kimberly Schwarz

Picture this. You're standing in a room and your eyes widen as you take it all in. Your pulse begins to quicken, butterflies awake in your stomach, and your palms get sweaty. Suddenly you remember that you have about a million other things you absolutely need to do other than the project at hand. Immediately this is how most of us feel when confronted with the daunting task of organizing well, anything. But like death and taxes, organization and cleaning is one of those unavoidable necessary "evils" in life.

Now deep down, we all know that each of us has some aspect in our personal space that could probably use some help. Even the notoriously obsessive Monica on "Friends" had her dark secret - a messy closet. So what is one to do when you can't - or don't want to - deal with this state of affairs? Call Kimberly Schwarz, a Professional Organizer.

What exactly does that mean and how did she fall in love with this career? Well, even as a child Kimberly found herself playing at friends' houses and instinctively organizing and cleaning their play areas. It was "fun" for her (and not to mention got her a lot of play dates!). At home, it was a running family joke that she would be clearing the table before they were done eating. But surely no one minded when Kimberly was around, because when she was, so was order and peace of mind.

With this unique knack for organization and efficiency, it was only natural that Kimberly turned her passion into a profession and founded her own company: Live, Love, Organize! As a professional organizer, she is a member of the National Association of Professional Organizers. Kimberly provides ideas, information, structure, solutions, and systems that can help clients increase productivity, reduce stress, and create a newfound freedom and sense of control. Her company's goal is "to take the headache out of organizing, by spearheading all aspects of its coordination and implementation! and to teach you to make fast and efficient decisions to organize your personal and professional surroundings so you can have more time for living and loving." This means tackling everything from organizing various rooms in homes and offices, including filing and closets, to Relocation Assistance (coordinating logistics of a move, including packing and unpacking) to estate organizing for elder loved ones. One client even had some 20 banker boxes filled with paper and mail that had never been opened and needed to be sorted through, a nightmare for some people, but an opportunity and challenge for Kimberly.

"People sometimes don't have the ability to see another side of things. They can't see beyond where they are, they don't want to deal with it and or they have emotional attachments! I love that I am reaching out and helping people," explains Kimberly.

The best part of having Kimberly work her magic is not just the immediate outcome, it's the fact that she also takes the time to explain and demonstrate to her clients how to maintain what she has done.

"I always make sure to explain to clients that organization doesn't happen overnight. There will always be maintenance needed and I can only help to a degree. I teach people to think ahead and plan," she says.

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Kimberly has extended her passion for helping people through her membership with Step Up. Since joining several years ago, she has participated in numerous events, but perhaps her greatest contribution to date is her recent donation of her amazing professional skills to the Step Up offices. Alexa Brandt gushed, Kimberly completely "revamped the incredibly disorganized Step Up storage closet." An enormous feat, which everyone at Step Up is incredibly thankful for. So if you're still standing there pulling out your hair over the mess at hand, do yourself a favor and give Kimberly Schwarz a call.

For more information on Live, Love, Organize! Please visit their website at www.liveloveorganize.com. Kimberly can be reached at Kimberly@liveloveorganize.com or 310-666-2878.



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