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Pure Organic Juicery owner Alina Yaccino and boyfriend Jerry Jaskowiak.

Pure Intentions

I'M OFTEN TOLD THAT MY STORY is uncommon, that my demeanor doesn't match my age, and that I've already accomplished much in my life at the young age of 20. I was born and raised in the Dominican Republic after my parents followed a call to serve and support people and ministries that work to bring positive change to contexts of poverty and community development.

Constantly surrounded by diverse people from all over the world to connect with, I learned about

their cultures, realities, and the different projects they were a part of in their communities that were aimed to make a difference—not realizing until now what an influence they had in my life.

Here in the United States, it's not so common to have someone my age owning and running a store instead of roaming a college campus. I was given the opportunity to choose between the two in 2014.

I had taken a part-time manager position at

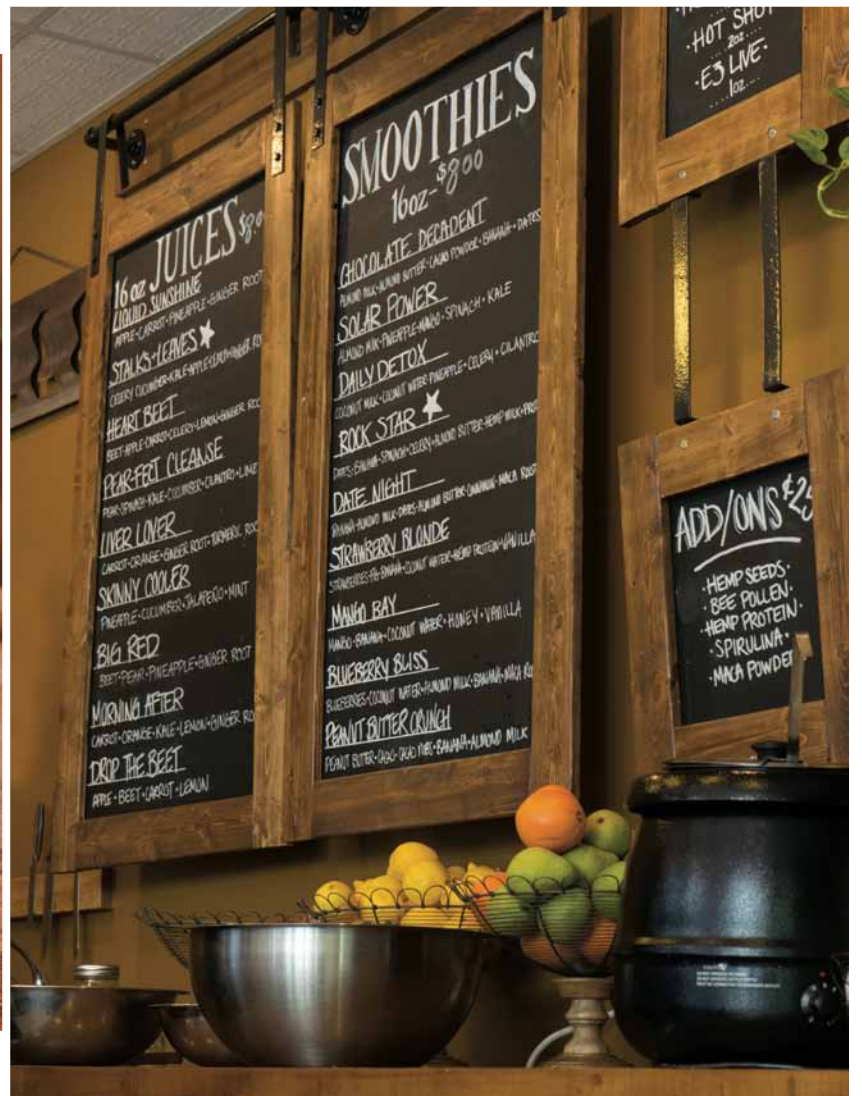
Pure Organic Juicery in Barrington. At this point it was just a job, but by the end the year I was approached by the original owner and asked if I would be interested in buying the business from her. It was an incredible opportunity not to ignore, and soon I pondered the options with my parents on how to make it happen. With their help, in less than two months we went through a steep learning curve and did everything needed for me to become a young entrepreneur and small business owner.



Alina Yaccino serves her customers at Pure Organic Juicery.



Pure Organic Juicery's "Stalks and Leaves" juice blend includes apple, celery, cucumber, kale, lemon, and ginger root.



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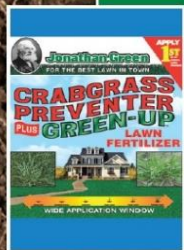


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CONSCIOUS LIVING

Looking back, it really is no surprise that I would end up owning a juice bar. My journey to healthy food and conscious living started four years ago when I studied in Brazil and had the opportunity to volunteer at Casa Da Videira, an urban homestead experiment aimed at producing local, organic food in a small urban yard for a group of families in the neighborhood. This was a radical example for me that demonstrated how important our relationship with food is, and how responsible we are on the impact our choices make.


This was my first experience with a sustainable community and it cultivated my passion and desire to build this awareness in my community. I had an immense desire to create a space that would invite people to share the truth and learn about the impact of the choices we're making.

Today, I run Pure with the help and encouragement of my two best friends—my boyfriend, Jerry Jaskowiak, alongside me always reminding me to take a break to dance when the day is hectic, and Jamie Wagener, a beautiful, strong pillar for

us as a partner with Pure through her business, The Blissful Kitchen.

We are able to accomplish much more as a team and are dedicated to being of service in a space where people from all backgrounds can come to connect, learn, and grow. We support and promote local organic farms, healthy food distributors, and build partnerships with people in the community who help us stay responsible with our kitchen waste in the form of compost. With the help of Smart Farm of Barrington, we maintain a relationship to the soil.

Our commitment at Pure is to offer the highest-quality juices and foods in a welcoming and caring environment. Through our partnership with The Blissful Kitchen, we offer detoxes, culinary classes, health coaching, and community dinners all aimed to inspire people to live the healthiest version of themselves.

We encourage our customers to expand their knowledge of food, nutrition, and health, so that together we can inspire, and be inspired. 



Alina Yaccino and Jerry Jaskowiak

Alina Yaccino is the owner of Pure Organic Juicery in Barrington. Her favorite item at the store is Morning After Juice (a blend of carrot, orange, kale, lemon, and ginger) and the Chocolate Chip Breakfast Cookies. Pure Organic Juicery is located at 100 E. Station St. in downtown Barrington. To learn more, visit www.pureorganicjuicery.com or call 847-387-4226.

18|8 and Shakou Team Up for St. Baldrick's

18|8 FINE MEN'S SALONS-BARRINGTON is partnering with its neighbor, Shakou Sushi, to host Barrington's first St. Baldrick's head-shaving fundraiser event for childhood cancer on Sunday, March 13, from 12 noon to 4 p.m. at 18|8 Fine Men's Salons, 120 S. Hough St., in Barrington.

Children with cancer often lose their hair during treatment. Shavees for the St. Baldrick's Foundation can show support by shaving their heads voluntarily, and inspiring friends and family to donate money to support childhood cancer research. The St. Baldrick's Foundation is a volunteer-powered charity dedicated to raising money for lifesaving childhood cancer research and funds more in childhood cancer grants than any other entity except for the U.S. government. To volunteer, donate, or shave your head, go to www.stbaldricks.org/events/188barrington2016, or email Stephanie Foster at: stephabun-ny27@gmail.com.

Pictured top right: René Laria, Emily Pfeiffer, Jeff Eggert, Adam Garvanian (of Shakou Sushi), and Kristina Karson at 18|8 Fine Men's Salon.



Insider's Secrets to Container Gardening

TOMS-PRICE HOME FURNISHINGS, a 100-year-old Chicago-based company, will host Jennifer Brennan, a horticultural specialist at Chalet Garden Center in Wilmette, to share her container gardening secrets in this free, live and slide gardening seminar. Brennan is the Horticulture Correspondent for ABC 7 Chicago News This Morning, appearing with weather anchor Tracy Butler. She has appeared on TV and radio shows including the former Oprah Winfrey Show. Brennan's bio includes speaking engagements at the Chicago Flower & Garden Show and the Chicago Botanic Garden.

Prize giveaways, light refreshments, and wine will be provided at 6:30 p.m.; the presentation begins at 7 p.m. This event is free. Seating is limited. Call the Toms-Price seminar location you wish to attend to R.S.V.P.:

March 10: Lincolnshire, 847-478-1900

March 17: Wheaton, 630-668-7878

March 21: South Barrington/The Arboretum, 847-783-1500

March 24: Skokie/Old Orchard, 847-675-9400



Barrington's 2016 Golden Globe Winner

THE 73RD ANNUAL GOLDEN GLOBE AWARDS® on January 10, 2016 honored A-list movie stars as well as newcomers on stage in Los Angeles. What viewers don't see is an all-day Golden Globe Awards Style Lounge event the day before the show, held this year at the SLS Hotel in Beverly Hills. Invited nominees

and cast members peruse gift items and giveaways at this Secret Room Style Lounge. There, they sample plentiful gifts in categories of skin care, baby, family, tech gadgets, beauty, health, and gourmet foods. Congrats to Jennie and Vera's Sweets + Savories as the exclusive cookie selected for the glamorous celebrity gifting event.



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Glass Slipper Project 2016 Collection Underway

EIGHT ZENGELER LOCATIONS
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FOR CHARITY DRESS DRIVE

ZENGELER CLEANERS IS LAUNCHING the company's 2016 collection drive for donations to the Glass Slipper Project (GSP). GSP is a volunteer organization that provides an opportunity to help area high school women experience the joy of prom. Zengeler Cleaners' eight locations will serve as a drop-off points for donations.

Since 1999, GSP has helped tens of thousands of high school women attend their prom, made possible by the donations of lovingly-worn prom dresses and accessories. Zengeler Cleaners has collected more than 39,000 dresses in the past 13 years, along with thousands of dollars of shoes, jewelry, and accessories.

"Collecting donations for the Glass Slipper Project is one of Zengeler Cleaners' favorite times of the year," said Tom Zengeler, president of the Midwest's oldest and largest cleaners. "We set a goal to collect at least 3,000 dresses every year and have exceeded that goal the last seven years. Thanks to the continued support of area businesses and local schools, we're confident we'll accomplish that again this year."



Tom Zengeler, president of Zengeler Cleaners with donated dresses.

The annual collection drive culminates in two Saturday shopping opportunities, scheduled this year on April 2 and 9. The items are distributed free of charge to students at Glass Slipper "boutiques" where each student receives individual assistance from a volunteer personal shopper.

Zengeler Cleaners' stores are located in Long Grove, Deerfield, Hubbard Woods, Northfield, Winnetka, two in Libertyville, and the newest store on Skokie Boulevard in Northbrook. Visit www.glassslipperproject.org, and www.zengelercleaners.com to learn more. U