

# DR. CORAL QUIET

Co-founder and radiation oncologist | Arizona Breast Care Specialists and Arizona Institute for Breast Health



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**W**ith three radiation oncology centers focusing specifically on breast cancer, Dr. Coral Quiet is making some noise. She says her facilities are the only ones in the world focused specifically on breast cancer radiation oncology. Her 56 employees, including six physicians, use the latest technology to target breast cancer cells. In addition, a patient can see all of her doctors at one time, giving the physicians a chance to work as a team on each patient's care. "We want to have the best treatment available so patients can be treated here in the Valley, and not have to go out of the area to get that treatment," Quiet says.

# LORETTA CHEEKS

Principal engineer | General Dynamics C4 Systems

**L**oretta Cheeks understands the benefit of a good education. She's at the forefront of a lot of what is going on in the defense and space economic sectors through her job at General Dynamics C4 Systems. The C4 unit's products are used in many devices made for the U.S. Department of Defense and other government entities. It's a field Cheeks has known for more than 17 years, and she's aiming to get better at it after completing her doctorate in computer science at Arizona State University. When she finishes that degree, she will be in some elite engineering company. In 2008, Cheeks, who is a native of Baton Rouge, La., was selected to receive the Dr. Charles R. Campbell Outstanding Alumna Award by the Black Board of Directors Project in Phoenix.



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# SYBIL FRANCIS

Executive director | Center for the Future of America

**S**ybil Francis is co-founder and executive director of the Center for the Future of Arizona. The group studies issues such as education, economic and work force development, the environment and growth, and looks to mobilize leaders and everyday citizens on those issues. Francis, who is married to Arizona State University President Michael Crow, has a chemistry degree from Oberlin College and a Ph.D. in political science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She is involved with a number of community and higher-education groups, and she says she's learned to love snakes as a result of her daughter's interest in the reptiles.



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# SHERYL COOPER

Founder | Solid Rock Foundation

**E**ven though Sheryl Cooper's home is bursting at the seams with family members, she still finds time to reach out and help others. She has been married to legendary rock star Alice Cooper for 35 years. His 85-year-old mother, Ella, and two of the couple's three children, Sonora and Dash, all live in the Cooper household, as well as "a daughter from another mother" —

21-year-old Amber Williams, the daughter of Alice's manager, who is living with the Coopers while she attends Arizona State University. "Our house is very active.

It's almost like I am going to put in a revolving door," Sheryl says. While she is tending to her extended family at home, she also helps lead Alice's Solid Rock Foundation. This year, they hope to open a facility to offer young people an alternative to the streets. "We are going into a partnership with a church called Genesis to create a teen center out of a shopping center in North Phoenix," she says. "There is really no teenager that is not at risk. Unless you are directed and focused and have alternatives to some of the messed-up stuff that's going on out there, you are at risk."



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