

## Glenn Reichle or Agent 007?

Chuluota resident cashes in on uncanny resemblance to actor Pierce Brosnan

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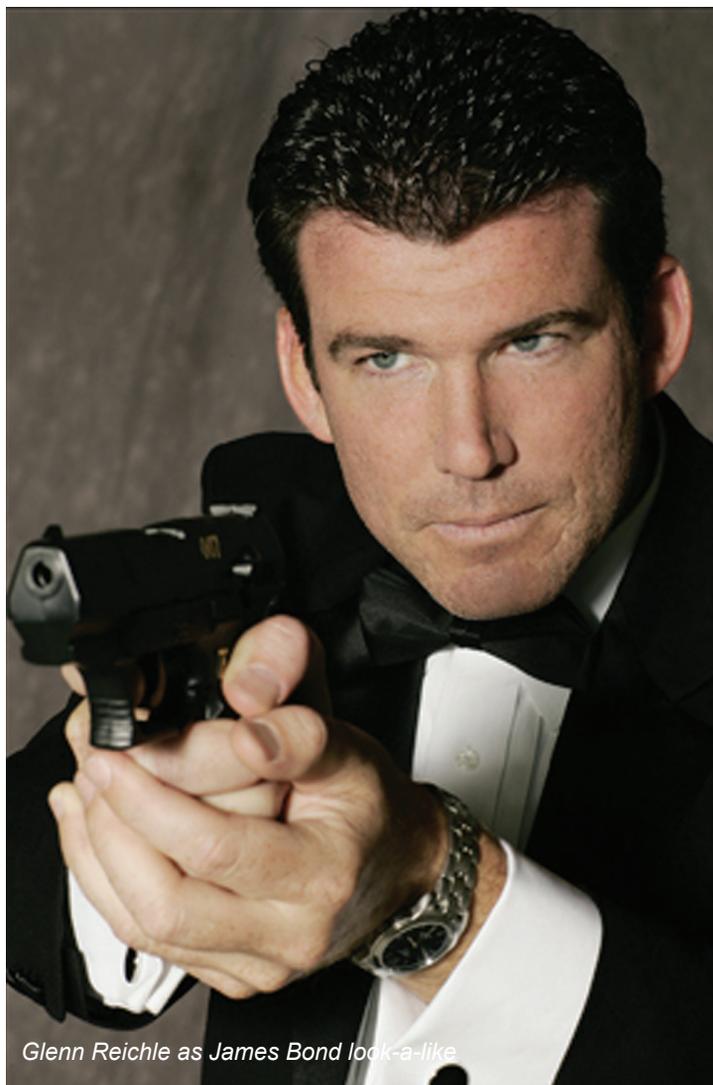
A faultlessly tailored tux, crisply cut dark hair, chiseled good looks, blue eyes to get lost in, an elegant hand holding the perfect martini (shaken, not stirred), and what have you got? Of course it's Bond, James Bond... or is it?

When you meet professional celebrity look-alike **Glenn Reichle** you will be convinced you have rubbed shoulders with the handsome Hollywood actor **Pierce Brosnan**, one of several actors who has portrayed the delightfully suave secret agent James Bond in the popular film series.

Glenn's claim to fame began when he was a student at Oviedo High School. "The kids used to call me Remington Steele," says the 39-year-old Chuluota resident, referring to the 1982 television series of the same name starring Pierce Brosnan. Then, after Pierce Brosnan became so successful in films as the adventurous James Bond, Glenn was often mistaken for the actor around town. In 2003, at the urging of friends and family, he decided to take advantage of the resemblance and put together a professional portfolio to distribute to local celebrity look-alike agents.

"After I talked to an agent and left my headshots, I was driving away from the office when he called to say he had a job for me," says Glenn. "The rest is history." The celebrity gigs are not his day job, which is currently in web site technology, but he adds that moonlighting as James Bond is a lot of fun.

The highlight of his celebrity work occurred last April, when Glenn had the opportunity to meet Pierce Brosnan in



Glenn Reichle as James Bond look-a-like



Glenn with his wife, Reka.

person. Glenn was hired to be in a car commercial with the actor in Brazil. He got the call from the commercial's producer in April, and when Glenn asked if he would have any speaking lines, the producer said no, but he thought Pierce might have a few lines.

"I was stunned to find out that Pierce Brosnan was going to be there.

They flew me down

to Brazil as his double for the filming. I was sure it was an April Fool's joke," he says. "When I shook hands with Pierce at the filming location and said 'My name is Glenn Reichle, and it's nice to meet you,' the actor stepped back, looked me up

and down, and said, 'It's nice to meet me, too.'"

Glenn has been hired for a James Bond-themed party for Donald Trump's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday, made many commercials, worked at corporate events, and made a number of corporate videos.

When **Reka**, Glenn's Hungarian-born wife of 11 years, is asked what it's like to be married to James Bond, she just takes it all in stride. "It's really interesting when we go overseas," she says. "One time, we were in Budapest and traveling with friends on a subway. Our friends were wearing black leather jackets and we were all speaking English. An older gentleman approached us and started talking to Glenn as if he was Pierce Brosnan and understood that he was trying to stay undercover and travel with bodyguards, referring to our leather-clad friends. We couldn't convince him otherwise. He just wanted to invite Glenn to have a drink with him."

And the novelty isn't wearing thin. "Right now, this is really fun and exciting," says Glenn. "But eventually I want to do projects as myself so that when people see me they'll say, 'That's Glenn Reichle.'"

For an interesting review of Glenn's work, visit his web site [www.glenn007.com](http://www.glenn007.com). ♦ OWSL