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Chet Pipkin is the Founder, Chairman and CEO of Belkin International in the heart of Silicon Beach, Los Angeles. In his parents' garage in the early 1980s, he founded Belkin which is known today as Belkin International with its four distinct brands, Belkin, Linksys, WeMo and Phyn. Fast Company named Belkin one of the World's Most Innovative Companies in the Internet of Things (IoT). The Belkin team's people-centric approach to IoT innovations and Belkin's passion for delightful user experiences anchor the company's successes in their respective categories globally.

Chet's an avid hiker, restless tinkerer and – for over 30 years – a technology innovator and passionate civic leader. A husband and father of seven, Chet's extensive nonprofit work revolves around youth, education, and closing the achievement gap. He is a founder of the Da Vinci family of charter schools in Hawthorne, California.