

# You say neither... and I say nei-ther!

Rachael McEnaney is getting married soon. His name is Paul and he is from the USA. The wedding will take place this April and we will bring you the pictures and report soon. But in the meantime let's meet the happy couple and find out a little more about them and some of their US versus UK differences.



## RACHAEL

After a life long dream to live in the States I finally made it all happen in 2012. In 2011 I visited a friend in Orlando and the housing market was at an all time low, I found my dream house in Winter Garden, Florida and made an offer, three months later the offer was accepted. On 21st June 2012 I did one of the hardest things I have ever done in my life - with three suitcases I left my family home and everything I knew.

I was met with so many challenges, everything was so different. I made it through that first month thanks to some amazing friends, Donna Stretton, who

is known as my Momma D, was and still is my absolute rock, I couldn't have done any of it without her. I had a dance friend, Matthew Brinckerhoff, who lived down the street from me and he was my big brother, he lent me his car - a white mustang (my dad was so jealous) for the first three months that I lived there.

Matt was on 'Eharmony', a dating website, which all my life I had thought was for people who couldn't interact with other people and were... well.... desperate. I did some research and made the jump to join 'Match.com' with no idea what was about to happen. I was terrified on my first date, and though it was a great experience, the guy was just not for me. A few days later Paul and I had an email conversation back and forth and decided to meet for our first date. Labor Day 2012. He suggested we go for a bike ride, he only lived a few miles away so again I let a friend know the address I was going to and off I went. Now then, girls you'll know what I mean when I say that on a first date you kind of want to look your best but what can you do for a bike ride? Couldn't exactly show up in a skirt and heels so it had to

