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It "Dawned" On Me... a message from Dawn Giganti

We all know how important it is to have good friends - our support system, confidentes, and closest allies. But did you know that our friends can also profoundly impact our lives? As my great-grandmother told me, "Birds of a feather flock together!" I didn't realize how important that was until I was older.

Take some time to think about the people in your life and how they affect your life positively and negatively. A cherished friend of mine once told me, "There are some people we need to keep at a distance. There are some people you let into your house, some you let only as far as your porch, and others that need to stay on the sidewalk or the street in front of your house." Do not be afraid to set healthy boundaries or reevaluate the relationship if something uncomfortable happens.

"The righteous choose their friends carefully, but the way of the wicked leads them astray." Proverbs 12:26 (NIV)

This proverb encourages us to be mindful of the company we keep and choose our friends carefully, as they can profoundly impact our lives.

If your friends bring you down instead of building you up, it may be time to reevaluate the nature of the relationship and consider making changes. Remember, friendships should uplift and inspire us. If a friend consistently brings you down or undermines your well-being, it may be time to reconsider the relationship and prioritize your own needs.

Being around positive people helps us build better habits and succeed. On the other hand, being around negative people can bring us down and keep us from achieving our goals. That's why it's so crucial to be mindful of the company we keep and choose our friends carefully. Surrounding ourselves with those with similar goals, values, and beliefs will help us stay focused, motivated, and inspired!

Have a wonderful month! May is such a great time to enjoy the outdoors, celebrate with family (and <u>friends</u>), and appreciate all the beauty that spring has to offer. God bless!



Dawn Giganti, Marketing & Administrative Assistant Creative Carpet & Flooring

Month at a Glance:

3rd Lumpy Rug Day - Have a lumpy rug? Toss it out and get a nice, lump-less rug at Creative Carpet!

6th <u>Kentucky Derby Day</u> - Horse racing fans can watch the Kentucky Derby televised live nationwide on NBC beginning at 4 PM CT.

14th Mother's Day - "To the world, you are a mother. To our family, you are the world." ~Unknown

27th - 29th Memorial Weekend - We will be closed Sat 5/27 thru Mon 5/29 in honor of our military personnel who gave the ultimate sacrifice to assure our freedom & way of life.

Employee birthdays this month:

- 3rd Brad Pertchis Birthday Distribution Center Manager
- 17th Gary Onate's Birthday Estimator
- 19th Dana Krizmanic's Birthday Flooring Consultant
- 23rd Clinton Hubb's Birthday Installer



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Silver Pennies from 1943

Everyone had to do their part to support the war effort in 1943, even by donating their pocket change.

Traditionally, pennies were made of copper. However, in 1943, the United States government needed all the copper it could get. This is because copper was the key ingredient in shell casings and munitions for World War II. The U.S. Mint made pennies out of zinc-coated steel for just one year. These 1943 pennies, silver in color,

symbolized Americans' sacrifices to help the war effort. Supplies of many products were rationed, and people were given coupon books to help regulate consumption. In addition to copper, everyday items such as gasoline, meat, and sugar were rationed. Many 1943 steel pennies are still in circulation. Although they may be unusual and historical, steel pennies are not rare or valuable; they are worth less than 10 cents to coin collectors.

[The Spruce Crafts | June 2022]



of Orland Park. IL
You are this month's

MYSTERY WINNER!

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WHAT CAUSES RAINBOWS?

A rainbow is caused by light passing through water droplets in the air; this is why they are visible in sunny conditions post-rain. It's also why a rainbow can be viewed at a waterfall or in water sprayed from a hose into the clear, daytime air. As light travels slower in water than in air, it "reflects" off the water droplet and travels back the way it came, refracting (bending) the light as it leaves the droplet. Sunlight is made up of different colors due to its wavelengths of light. This causes violet to sit at the foot of the rainbow and red to sit at the top. Rainbows are technically full circles, visible from planes in certain conditions. Although rarer, double rainbows also exist.

[SciJinks.gov | May 2022]

The Tallest Tree in the World



Deep in California's Redwood National Park stands a monstrous tree named Hyperion. It is widely believed that the Hyperion is the tallest tree among the three trillion trees on the planet. The Hyperion stands at an impressive 379 feet, more than twice the size of the Statue of Liberty (minus the base). Amazingly, this forest giant was discovered in the mid-2000s, and its exact location remains unknown. National Park Rangers remain quiet on the topic to protect the tree from would-be "bounty hunters" looking to snap photos or make their mark on this enormous natural monument. Hyperion has good company in California; the state is also home to the largest tree, General Sherman, and the oldest, Methuselah.

[San Francisco Chronicle | November 2022]

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Take our Trivia Challenge!

This month's Mega Trivia question:

How many seeds are on the average strawberry?

(A) 50

(B) 200

(C) 1,000

(D) 10,000

To our website enter. creativecarpetinc.com, click on "MEGA Trivia" under Specials and take your best guess. Your chances of winning are better than you think! Winner will be announced in the following month's newsletter. Entry deadline is the 15th each month. Good luck!!!

Last month's question:

Which part of a chicken can predict the color of eggs it will lay?

Answer: (B) Earlobe

Believe it or not, the earlobes of a chicken can predict what color eggs a hen will lay. Typically, chickens that have white earlobes lay eggs with white shells, and chickens with red or brown earlobes lay eggs with brown shells. Eggshell color has nothing to do with the nutritional value of an egg, however, so all eggs are equally healthy for you. [Eat This, Not That! | March 2022]

Congratulations to last month's winner:

KAREN

of Tinley Park, IL

Stop by Creative Carpet & Flooring to claim your prize by May 31, 2023!



[Miratico.com | July 2022]



The Invention of Caesar Salad

In 1924, Italian-American chef Cesare ("Caesar") Cardini invented the Caesar salad in his restaurant in Tijuana, Mexico. As the story tells, the popular restaurant was extremely busy, so they began to run out of ingredients. As a result, Cardini threw together a salad from items on hand: romaine lettuce, Parmesan cheese and eggs. The salad was a hit,

especially among Americans visiting Tijuana. In 1948, the Cardini family moved to Los Angeles, California, and patented their famous salad dressing.

[BBC | February 2022]

Yoda's Inspiration

Jedi Master Yoda is renowned for his otherworldly Zen wisdom, so it makes sense that his look was inspired by another famous genius: Albert Einstein. Star Wars makeup supervisor Stuart Freeborn had a picture of Albert Einstein on his office wall. This ultimately contributed to Yoda's trademark crinkled eyes and wrinkled skin. According to special effects artist Nick Maley, Yoda's original look was spritelier and grasshopper-like; however, he was given a more wizened face over time. That was until The Mandalorian and Grogu (colloquially known as "Baby Yoda") fever swept the nation.



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> ~ Mark Toth of Schererville, IN This month's \$25 Best Buy gift card winner!