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

I hope this newsletter finds you well. With summer in full swing this month, I wanted to emphasize the importance of disconnecting from our cell phones & embracing the beauty of parks & recreation. Amidst modern chaos, these serene spaces offer solace & rejuvenation.

Technology keeps us constantly connected but also distances us from nature's wonders. Parks provide a much-needed escape from our digital realms. The rustle of leaves, the chirping of birds, & the gentle breeze all invite us to pause & appreciate the splendor around us.

"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork." ~ Psalm 19:1

Nature's phenomena demonstrate the divine craftsmanship behind creation. Let's not miss out on its captivating beauty!

Picnics offer an opportunity to enjoy outdoor recreation & strengthen our bonds with our loved ones. Spread a blanket, share a meal, & engage in heartfelt conversations. These simple moments create cherished memories that endure a lifetime.

Set aside your smartphone & explore parks & recreational spaces. Take a stroll, play games, or simply bask in the sunlight with your favorite book. In nature's embrace, we cultivate gratitude, find solace, & rekindle our sense of wonder. Don't let modern technology steal this from us! "Be still, and know that I am God." ~Psalm 46:10

In stillness & communion with nature, we discover clarity & a connection to something greater.

So, dear friends, put down your cell phone, step outside, & embrace the parks. Experience the joy of a picnic, commune with nature, & let your spirit soar in the embrace of God's creation. I promise I will be doing this with you. As always, please feel free to share your experiences by emailing me at dawn. @creativecarpetinc.com. You are definitely not alone!

Have a wonderful July & please be safe in your 4th of July celebrations! (1 know, 1 say that every year, but 1 still have to say it!)

Warm regards,

Dawn Y. Diganti

Dawn Giganti, Marketing & Administrative Assistant Creative Carpet & Flooring

Month at a Glance:

4th <u>Independence Day</u> – Happy Birthday, America! We will be CLOSED to celebrate with our family and friends. Have a wonderful & safe holiday!

7th Global Forgiveness Day – Life is too short to hold onto pain and anxiety for too long. Instead, forgive people, and you will live calmer and more peaceful.

13th Oxymoron Day – Include as many oxymorons in your speech and writing today. See if anyone notices them for what they are. Here's one to get you started... "Top Floor"!

24th Tell an Old Joke Day - What do you call a cow that fell on the floor? Ground beef!

Employee birthdays this month:

- 7th Debi Newton's Birthday Accounting & Administrative Assistant
- 9th <u>Dawn Giganti's Birthday</u> Marketing
- 14th Michelle Cress' Birthday Flooring Consultant
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Gray is the world's rarest eye color

Human eyes are distinct; like fingerprints, no two sets are alike. But some genetic anomalies create especially unlikely "windows" to the world — like gray eyes. Eye experts once believed that human eyes could appear in only three colors: brown, blue, and green, sometimes with hazel or amber added. More recently, once lumped into the blue category, the ashy hue has been regrouped as its own, albeit rarely seen, color. Brown-eyed folks are in good company, with up to 80% of the global population sporting the shade, while blue

eyes are the second most common hue. Traditionally, green was considered the least common eye color. However, researchers now say gray is the rarest color, with less than 1% of the population seeing through steel-colored eyes.

Eye color is an inherited trait, meaning it's likely that members of the same family have similar eye colors. However, geneticists now believe determining a child's eye color isn't as simple as looking at their parents. That's because as many as 16 genes determine the final hue. Intriguingly, our eye color at birth isn't necessarily what we'll have as adults. Most babies are born with faint eyes that often look gray, light blue, or light brown until the melanocytes — the protein that creates color — produce enough melanin to color the iris. People with less active melanocytes typically have lighter eyes (like blue or green), while people with more melanin usually have brown eyes. Our final eye color usually emerges around 3 to 6 months old, but it can change until a baby's third birthday. [Interesting Facts I January 2023]

Ugly Truck Day!

"Ugly Truck Day" is an unofficial holiday celebrated on July 20th each year. It's a lighthearted observance that embraces the charm and uniqueness of unattractive or unconventional-looking trucks.

The origins of Ugly Truck Day are unclear. Still, it is believed to have started as a fun way to appreciate pickup trucks' rugged and practical nature that may not be considered conventionally beautiful or stylish. It's a day to celebrate trucks with dents, scratches, mismatched parts, or other imperfections but continue serving their owners faithfully.

To celebrate Ugly Truck Day, you can engage in a variety of activities:

T<u>Display your truck proudly:</u> If you own an "ugly" or unconventional-looking truck, park it prominently in your driveway or a public area to show it off. Decorate it with banners or signs that say "Ugly Truck Day" to spread the holiday spirit.

* <u>Host a gathering</u>: Organize a small gathering with friends, family, or fellow truck enthusiasts who appreciate the beauty in "ugliness."

Share stories about your trucks, their unique features, and the adventures you've had together.

* <u>Truck parade</u>: Arrange a parade or convoy of trucks, inviting other truck owners in your community to join. Drive through town, honking horns and waving to onlookers. It can be a fun way to

showcase the diverse range of trucks and their individual characters.

* <u>Social media celebrations</u>: Share pictures and stories of your truck on social media platforms using the hashtag #UglyTruckDay. Engage with other truck owners and enthusiasts, appreciating their vehicles and exchanging experiences.

* <u>Truck makeover</u>: If you have an "ugly" truck that you'd like to spruce up, Ugly Truck Day can serve as an opportunity to give it some TLC. Clean, polish, or add new accessories or modifications to enhance its appearance while retaining its unique charm.

Remember, Ugly Truck Day is all about embracing the individuality and character of trucks that may not conform to traditional beauty standards. It's a day to appreciate the utility, reliability, and memories associated with these unconventional vehicles.

"It's hot enough to fry an egg on the sidewalk"

A common expression for describing extremely high temperatures. The exact origin of this phrase is uncertain, but it has been used for many years and has become a popular idiom. But... YES, it is possible to fry an egg on the sidewalk in the Chicagoland area during July! The high temperatures experienced in the summer months can cause the pavement to become extremely hot, especially during peak hours when the sun is directly overhead. This intense heat can create conditions suitable for attempting to fry an egg on the sidewalk.



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What contest is held every Fourth of July at Coney Island?

- (A) Hot dog eating contest
- (B) Firework contest
- (C) Photo contest
- (D) Miss Coney Island

To enter, visit our website at creativecarpetinc.com and click on the 'MEGA Trivia' tab under Specials. Take your best guess for this month's question, which will be available on our website between the 1st and 15th of the month. Your chances of winning are better than you think! The winner will be announced in the following month's newsletter. Remember, the entry deadline is the 15th of each month. Good luck and have fun!

Last month's question:

What city does Frank Sinatra call "my kind of town" in a 1964 song?

Answer: (A) Chicago

Originally written for the 1964 Rat Pack movie "Robin and the 7 Hoods," the song "My Kind of Town" went on to become one of the tracks most closely associated with Frank Sinatra. In it, he sings the Windy City's praises, crooning, "Each time I leave, Chicago is / Tuggin' my sleeve, Chicago is / The Wrigley Building, Chicago is / The Union Stockyard, Chicago is / One town that won't let you down / It's my kind of town!" [Genius | January 2023]

Congratulations to last month's winner:

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5 Reasons Watermelon is Great During the Summer

Watermelon is often considered a refreshing and delicious fruit to have during the summer for several reasons:

- 1. Hydration: Watermelon has a high water content, with over 90% of its weight being water. Consuming watermelon helps quench thirst and keeps you hydrated during hot
- 2. Cooling effect: Watermelon is known for its cooling properties. The high water content combined with the natural sugars and electrolytes in watermelon can provide a refreshing and revitalizing effect, helping to cool down the body and combat the heat.
- 3. Nutritional value: Watermelon is low in calories and fat while rich in essential nutrients. It is a good source of vitamins A and C, which are beneficial for maintaining healthy skin and supporting the immune system. Additionally, watermelon contains lycopene, an antioxidant associated with various health benefits, including heart health.
- 4. Quenching thirst and reducing heat-related illnesses: Due to its high water content and pleasant taste, watermelon is often consumed as a thirst-quencher during the summer. It can help replenish fluids lost through sweating and reduce the risk of dehydration. Watermelon also contains electrolytes like potassium, essential for maintaining proper hydration levels and preventing heat-related illnesses like heat exhaustion or heat stroke.
- 5. Versatile and refreshing: Watermelon is a versatile fruit that can be enjoyed in various forms. You can have it as a simple snack by slicing it or cutting it into cubes, blending it into a refreshing smoothie or juice, or using it as a base for salads, sorbets, and other summer desserts. Its naturally sweet and juicy flavor adds to its appeal.

Overall, watermelon's high water content, cooling effect, nutritional value, thirst-quenching properties, and versatility make it a popular and enjoyable choice during summer.



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