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

I've been pondering, "When was the last time I did something that felt undernourished me?" When life gets busy, we tend to lose touch with the things that make us feel like ourselves. These could be activities, outfits, or places we love, but for some reason, we stop incorporating them into our lives. Yet, we deeply feel their absence because they are what make us feel most like ourselves. What are those things for you?

Here's my list:

- Losing myself in a self-improvement book. I don't read as many books as I used to. But when I do, I feel noticeably less agitated and stressed.
- Processing my thoughts through writing. While I write every day, taking time to write in my journal helps me think more clearly.
- Taking walks. Walking is when I do my best brainstorming, and being out in nature is calming to my soul.
- Exploring new places and trying new things. I love visiting new places and doing things I've never done before.
- Playing music. I miss my students and fellow teachers from my time as a flute instructor and music school manager.
- Creating. I feel most like myself when I'm creating content through writing or music.
- Spending more time with friends and family. It seems like holidays are the only times get-togethers happen.

These are the things that make me ME. Do you have your list yet? Write your list down and keep it where you can see it or on your phone. Try to incorporate these items regularly into your life, like in a daily or weekly routine.

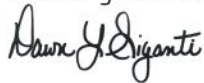
**Ephesians 2:10: "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."**

To me, this verse is all about recognizing how special and unique each of us is. It's like we're all these beautiful masterpieces crafted by God, with our own set of passions and purposes. And you know what? It's okay to embrace those passions and dive into activities that really light up our souls. It's like those things are part of the grand plan that God has laid out for us.

So, why not lean into what makes you, well, you? Whether it's picking up that book that you've been meaning to read, taking those long walks that clear your mind, or spending quality time with your loved ones, go for it! Because when we embrace those things that make us feel alive, we're actually honoring the unique design and purpose that God has for each of us. And that, my friend, leads to a deeper sense of knowing who we are, feeling confident in ourselves, and finding true fulfillment in life.

When you make room for the things that make you feel most like YOU, you become more confident in who you are. And more confidence leads to loving yourself the way you deserve to be loved. I'm cheering you on!

Have a great month and God bless,



Dawn Giganti, Marketing & Administration  
Creative Carpet & Flooring

**Month at a Glance:**

**6th D-Day, WWII** – D-Day during WWII stands as a poignant testament to the courage and sacrifice of those who stormed the beaches of Normandy on June 6, 1944, facing unimaginable odds to secure freedom for future generations.

**14th Flag Day** – A heartfelt celebration of the symbol that unites us all, honoring the resilience and ideals embodied by the stars and stripes that flutter proudly in the breeze.

**16th Father's Day** – Father's Day is like the one day a year when dads get to bask in the glory of their dad jokes without anyone rolling their eyes—well, maybe just a little bit.

**20th Summer Begins** – When the sun high-fives you with its rays and your ice cream melts faster than you can say "heatwave"!

**Employee birthdays this month:**

June's bringing double the fun with birthdays! Let's give a big shoutout to John Klickner on June 21st and Autumn Sibon on June 27th - our awesome Flooring Consultants! Here's to a day filled with smiles, laughter, and all the good vibes. Happy Birthday, John and Autumn!



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## Welcome Back Valued Friends!

Ann Floyd	Dennis Jajko	Karen & Michael Brackin	Rob & Elizabeth Fagan
Bob & Allison Stevenson	Erin Burns	Kathy & Greg Sternes	Robert & Karen Elliott
Carol Konieczny	Geno DeWit	Kevin & Cherie Klebs	Roger & Linda Hellinga
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Cindy Odea	Jay & Wendy Alvey	Mary & Rick Marks	Staci Kaufman
Dan & Stacy James	John & Dawn Hasse	Pipa Stephen	Vlad & Antoniana
Dave & Linda Miller	Joni Saczawa	Rita & Wayne Luff	Kabanov

## Moon River's Melodic Journey

In the bustling metropolis of New York City, a timeless tale unfolds with music, magic, and a touch of Southern charm. Audrey Hepburn's captivating rendition of 'Moon River' in 'Breakfast at Tiffany's' epitomizes its essence. Despite doubts about her singing voice, Henry Mancini tailored the melody perfectly. Inspired by a scene from 'Funny Face,' Mancini composed the enchanting notes in just half an hour. Johnny Mercer's lyrical prowess painted a nostalgic ode to the South, completing the masterpiece. Paramount executives considered cutting the scene, but Hepburn's insistence preserved its place. 'Moon River' became the heart of the film, resonating across generations. Henry Mancini noted that Hepburn's rendition remains definitive, encapsulating the song's timeless charm. Every listen reminds us of cinema's magic and the enduring legacy of a song that dared to dream.



Breakfast at Tiffany's (1961) - imdb.com



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## A Midwest Haven for Adventure and Nature Lovers



The Indiana Dunes, situated on the southern shore of Lake Michigan is a Midwest's hidden treasure that attracts adventurers and nature enthusiasts alike. It offers more than just stunning beaches and breathtaking views. The Indiana Dunes is a paradise for outdoor enthusiasts, with over 50 miles of trails that take you through diverse ecosystems, including serene wetlands and towering sand dunes. Don't forget to bring your binoculars! The dunes are a bird-watcher's haven, with over 350 species recorded in the area. If you're feeling adventurous, grab your board and hit the waves! The dunes offer some of the best surfing conditions on the Great Lakes. Or, if you prefer to keep your feet on solid ground, try sandboarding down the towering slopes. However, it's not all about adrenaline-fueled activities. Take a leisurely stroll along the shoreline, dip your toes in the refreshing waters of Lake Michigan, and bask in the warm sunlight. When hunger strikes, enjoy a beachside picnic or head to one of the charming nearby towns for a taste of local cuisine. Therefore, whether you're seeking adventure or just looking to unwind, make the Indiana Dunes your summer destination. With its natural beauty and endless opportunities for fun, it's the perfect escape for all ages.

## Stay Safe and Healthy This Summer with Sunscreen

As summer approaches, protecting your skin with sunscreen becomes increasingly important. June 20th marks the official start of summer, and what better way to embrace the season than with some SPF protection? Sunscreen is not just necessary for beach days; it's essential for your skin's health and safety throughout the summer. Whether you are hiking, picnicking, or lounging by the pool, sunscreen protects you against harmful UV rays. Even on cloudy days, UV rays can still penetrate your skin, making it crucial to wear sunscreen regardless of your activity level or the weather. But sunscreen is not only about protection; it's also about healthy skin. There are many options available, and you can find a sunscreen that not only keeps you safe but also feels like a luxurious treat for your skin. From smooth lotions to refreshing sprays, there's something for everyone. In addition to preventing sunburn and skin damage, sunscreen reduces the risk of skin cancer. The sun's rays can cause premature aging, wrinkles, and age spots, so by wearing sunscreen, you're not only keeping your skin healthy but also looking young and vibrant. So, before you head out for some fun in the sun, don't forget to grab your sunscreen. Your skin will thank you for it, and you'll be ready to soak up all the summer vibes without any worries. Here's to an enjoyable and safe summer!



## Roll Out the Welcome Mat for Our Newest Friends!

Adam Brumm	Bridgette Peal	Dominick & Karyn	Joanie Kelly	Lisa Fabian	Rowena Dietrich
Alexa Jones	Chris Raynor	Ivancovich	Joe Speziale	Mary Hoey	Sheri & Chris Lask
Alison & John Gargas	David & Maureen	Gary Longhi	John Gawel	Michael Borozan	Susan Lapin
Allen & Patti Lepellere	Thamm	Jasmine Carias	John Keating	Mike & Kara Schneider	Tajuana Tang
Ann & Ken Gabriel	Debbie Galminas	Jason Rymut	John Stanfa	Phyllis Holtane	Trevor & Melissa
Audel Ocegüera	Deborah Gorniak	Jeff & Liza Bianchi	Julie Shaw	Pooja Rao	Groot
Bobbi & Mark Hanlon	Denise Oberman	Jenny & Chris Bunch	Keith & Joy Pedersen	Randel Gatlin	
Brian Farrell	Dennis Budzik	Joan Meegan	Kristen Witvoet	Rose Reyes	





# MEGA Trivia Contest?

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## This month's Mega Trivia question:

On which lake is Indiana Beach situated?

- (A) Lake Freeman
- (B) Wally's Woods Lake
- (C) Lake Shafer
- (D) Lake Michigan

Join the fun at [creativecarpetinc.com](http://creativecarpetinc.com)! Hit the 'MEGA Trivia' tab under 'Specials,' and take your guess on our monthly question between the 1st and the 15th. The drawing will occur on the 16th from all who answered correctly. The winner will be announced in next month's newsletter. Don't forget, entries close on the 15th. Best of luck!

## Last month's question:

The famous Cloud Gate sculpture is found in which Chicago park?

**Answer: (B) Millennium Park**

A first-timer's trip to Chicago would be incomplete without a visit to the reflective Cloud Gate sculpture in Millennium Park. Better known as "The Bean" for its distinctive shape, it was designed by British artist Anish Kapoor in 2005. The downtown Chicago park is also popular for summertime picnics and concerts against the backdrop of the city's skyline. [Choose Chicago | February 2024]

## Congratulations to last month's winner:

**CARL GUSTAFSON**  
OF FRANKFORT, IL

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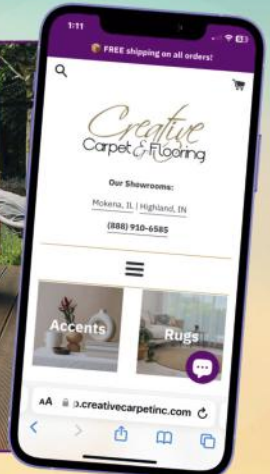
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## Chicago's Epic Crosstown Classic

The Chicago "Crosstown Classic" ignites the fierce baseball rivalry between our city's beloved teams: the Chicago Cubs and the Chicago White Sox. These thrilling matchups take place at Wrigley Field for the Cubs and Guaranteed Rate Field for the White Sox, stirring up excitement among fans.

Originating from the early days of Chicago baseball, dating back to the late 1800s, the rivalry has endured for over a century. The teams clashed in the 1906 World Series, with the White Sox emerging victorious in six games.

The term "Crosstown Classic" gained momentum in the 1990s when interleague play was introduced, allowing regular-season face-offs between the Cubs and White Sox. These matchups became highly anticipated spectacles, drawing massive crowds and fueling friendly (and not-so-friendly) banter between fans.

Throughout the years, the Crosstown Classic has witnessed unforgettable moments, nail-biting finishes, and intense showdowns on the field, showcasing the best of Chicago baseball. It's not just about the games—it's about the deep-seated rivalry between Chicago's North Side and South Side, infusing each matchup with added excitement and intensity.

This year, mark your calendars for the 2024 Crosstown Classic showdowns on June 4-5 at Wrigley Field and August 9-10 at Guaranteed Rate Field. Whether you're a die-hard Cubbie or a loyal Sox supporter, get ready for an electrifying showdown that's sure to captivate Chicago baseball fans everywhere. So, who's your pick?



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