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

Dear Creative Carpet & Flooring Friends and Family,

I'm thrilled to share some fantastic news! If you missed our August newsletter, here's the scoop: Creative Carpet & Flooring will be featured on the hit TV show 'World's Greatest!' It's an incredible honor, and I'm bursting with pride to share this with our fantastic community. Our Mokena showroom and dedicated team will be showcased, highlighting our commitment to making your flooring dreams come

Our owner and founder, Mark Bouquet, is equally excited: "We're honored to be chosen for 'World's Greatest.' This recognition is a testament to our Creative Carpet & Flooring family and our dedication to top-notch flooring solutions. We hope to inspire others in our industry." Filming is set for late September, and the episode will air in December. Don't miss the chance to see your favorite flooring

On another note, we're making a change to our monthly newsletter. After attending the Sammy Hagar concert on August 3rd in Tinley Park-where Sammy mentioned nearly 18,000 people were there- I panned the audience and realized that's about how many newsletters we mail out each month! The volume of paper and rising postage costs made me rethink our approach. So, we're going green and switching to a digital format! Soon, you'll be able to choose how you receive our newsletter:

- · Snail Mail Only
- · Texts Only
- Email Only
- · Text and Email Only

This change will help us reduce paper waste and lower our carbon footprint. It will also allow us to provide more interactive and engaging content and offer exclusive 'TEXT ONLY' specials with early sale access and special discounts. To thank you for your support, we're planning on giving away Visa gift cards worth \$250, \$500, and \$1,000! Stay tuned next month for more details!

As we embrace these changes, Proverbs 16:3 comes to mind...

"Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and He will establish your plans."

This verse reminds us to trust in the Lord's guidance and plans, knowing that He will lead us in the right direction. We hope you find inspiration in this commitment and continue to support us as we follow His lead.

We'll be in touch to update your preferences. Your support and understanding as we make these changes mean the world to us. Thank you for being a part of our journey and for supporting our efforts to make a positive impact! God bless,

Dawn Giganti, Marketing & Administration Creative Carpet & Flooring

Month at a Glance:

2nd CLOSED Labor Day - Happy Labor Day! Time to kick back, relax, and enjoy a well-deserved break. We'll be closed, so see you after the holiday!

8th Grandparent's Day – Celebrate Grandparent's Day with love, laughter, and maybe a little dance party! Hug the wisdom and joy they bring into our lives.

11th 911 Remembrance - On 9/11 Remembrance Day, we honor the heroes and remember the lives lost, standing together in solemn reflection and unity. Our hearts are with all those affected as we continue to strive for a world of peace and resilience.

22nd <u>First Day of Fall</u> – Welcome to the First Day of Fall, when every leaf is a flower, and your pumpkin spice obsession finally feels justified!

Employee birthdays this month:

Wishing a fantastic birthday to Mark Bouquet, Jr., our Sales Manager, on the 15th and to Brittany Jonaitis, our Flooring Consultant, on the 18th. Happy Birthday, Mark and Brittany!



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A Swing Through the History of Little League

It all began in 1938 in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, when Carl Stotz, inspired by a bright idea while playing catch with his nephews, envisioned a place where kids could experience the thrill of baseball like the pros. This idea, a spark of innovation, led to the creation of Little League Baseball. Carl and his friends set up the first game in 1939 with just three teams: Lycoming Dairy, Lundy Lumber, and Jumbo Pretzel. It was a small start, but it was the beginning of a big dream. By the 1940s, Little League had spread across the U.S. However, it was the first World Series in 1947 that marked a significant milestone in the history of Little League, cementing its

place in the hearts of baseball enthusiasts. The 1950s were a golden era for Little League. The league expanded internationally, reaching Canada, Mexico, and Europe. However, it was the first televised World Series in 1953 that truly brought the excitement of the games into homes across America, inspiring countless kids to join the fun. By the 1970s, Little League Softball was introduced, breaking barriers and giving girls an equal chance to play. Today, Little League is a global phenomenon, with millions of kids, regardless of gender, enjoying the game. It's all about fun, friendship, and the love of baseball. So next time you see a Little Leaguer in action, remember: they're living a dream that started with a simple game of catch.

Unlocking the Power of Classical Music

September is Classical Music Month, and there's no better time to discover the benefits of adding a little **d** Beethoven or Bach to your daily routine. Whether

you're a longtime fan or new to the genre, classical music has something to offer everyone.

- Stress Relief, One Note at a Time Imagine walking into a room filled with the gentle sounds of a piano sonata. Instantly, your shoulders drop, and you take a deep breath. That's the magic of classical music! It has a calming effect that can help reduce stress and anxiety, making it the perfect soundtrack for unwinding after a long day.
- Boost Your Brainpower Need a mental boost? Classical music might be your secret weapon. Studies suggest listening to composers like Mozart can improve concentration and enhance memory. It's like a workout for your brain, helping you stay sharp and focused whether you're working, studying, or just trying to solve a tricky puzzle.
- Sleep Like a Baby Struggling to catch some Z's? Swap out your usual bedtime playlist for a soothing symphony. Classical music's slow, rhythmic patterns can help you drift off into a peaceful slumber. Sweet dreams are just a symphony away!

• Elevate Your Mood - Feeling down? Classical music can lift your spirits. The emotional depth and range found in compositions by the likes of Vivaldi or Tchaikovsky can evoke powerful feelings and even turn a gloomy day around. So, next time you're in a funk, try listening to a cheerful overture to put a smile on your face.

• A Universal Language - Classical music transcends time, culture, and language. It's a universal form of expression that everyone can enjoy. Whether you're listening to a centuries-old concerto or a modern orchestral piece, the beauty and emotion of classical music speak directly to the soul.

So why not give it a try? This September, celebrate Classical Music Month by tuning into some timeless tunes. Who knows? You might just discover your new favorite way to relax, focus, and feel good!



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There's No Such Thing as a Stupid Question!



Ever found yourself hesitating to ask a question, worried it might sound silly? Fear not! The old saying, "There's no such thing as a stupid question," holds true. Here's why: Questions are the gateway to learning. Every great discovery, from the wheel to the internet, started with someone asking, "Why?" or "How?" If you've got a question, it means you're curious. And curiosity? That's a superpower! Imagine if your favorite scientist or inventor had kept their questions to themselves. The world might not have had the lightbulb or the space shuttle! So, next time you're unsure whether to speak up, remember: Your question might lead to answers that change everything. Embrace curiosity and keep asking - because every question is a step toward knowledge. Keep those questions coming!

Roll Out the Welcome Mat for Our Newest Friends!

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Which major river flows through Northwest Indiana and is a key waterway for industrial transportation?

- (A) Wabash River
- (B) Kankakee River
- (C) White River
- (D) Calumet River

Join the fun at 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:

Which Chicago suburb is known for being the setting of the classic 1980s movie "Ferris Bueller's Day Off"?

Answer: (A) Highland Park & (C) Winnetka

While scenes from "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" were filmed in several Chicago suburbs, including Highland Park, Winnetka is most commonly recognized as the primary setting. The famous Bueller house, for example, is located in Winnetka, making it the suburb most closely associated with the film. However, if you answered (A) Highland Park, you're also correct! Highland Park was another key filming location, showcasing some memorable scenes from this iconic movie.

Congratulations to last month's winner:

DIANE LATTA

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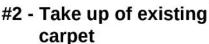
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The Secret Life of a Procrastinator

(According to a 10-Year-Old Expert)

Hi, I'm Max, & I have a superpower. No, I can't fly or turn invisible (though that would be epic). My superpower is procrastination. That's right, I'm a master of putting things off. Need proof? Let me take you on a tour of my daily routine.

Step 1: The Homework Surprise So, there I am, deep in an intense game of Zombie Ninja Pirates (I'm this close to the high score) when it suddenly hits me: I have a math worksheet due tomorrow. It's like finding out there's broccoli for dinner - you know it's coming, but you still hope you're wrong.

Step 2: The Great Distraction Hunt Obviously, homework can wait because, oh look, my socks aren't matching. Better fix that. And what's that under my bed? A Lego I lost three months ago! I should probably rebuild the entire spaceship it came from, just to be safe.

Step 3: The "I'm a Genius at the Last Minute" Plan "I'll do it later," I tell myself. "I'm like a superhero, and my superpower is working better under pressure." Of course, this is the same logic that makes me think eating six cookies before dinner won't ruin my appetite. (Spoiler: It totally does.)

Step 4: The Panic Sprint Suddenly, it's 8:50 PM, and bedtime is at 9:00. This is where the magic happens. With lightning speed, I transform into a math whiz. Pencils fly, paper crumples, and I'm solving fractions like my life depends on it. I even use the good eraser - the one that doesn't leave weird smudges everywhere.

Step 5: The "Never Again" Lie As I hand in my somewhat crumpled homework the next day, I make a solemn vow: "Next time, I'll start my homework right away." I mean, I

> totally will... right after I organize my Pokémon cards, finish this level in Zombie Ninja Pirates, and maybe build that Lego spaceship. You know, the essentials.

So, if you ever wonder what it's like to be a procrastinator, just remember: it's a wild ride full of last-minute miracles, creative distractions, and the firm belief that I'll definitely, 100%, do it on time next time. Probably.



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~ Bill Ooms of Alsip, IL
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