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Bouquet



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"Mark" My Words... a message from Dawn Giganti

Happy November,

We all get overwhelmed sometimes. No matter how hard we try, there will always be seasons where the stress + the hustle + bustle feel like they are taking over. Those times it feels like we have to think about one more thing, we're going to drown because we're barely keeping our heads above water as it is. I've been feeling overwhelmed lately, so I figured that now would be a good time to share some strategies that help me. With the holidays around the corner, I'm sure this would be useful to you, too!

- Ask for Help - Is there anything on your list you can delegate to a friend or family member? Perhaps you can even hire someone to give you a hand. It's okay to ask for help!
- Deep Breathing - We tend to breathe more shallowly when we are stressed, intensifying anxiety. My Apple Watch has proven to be a fantastic reminder to take a couple of minutes to mindfully breathe deeply. If you have to, set the alarm on your phone. Try it + see how it lowers your stress instantly.
- Mind Dump - This is a big one - unload the mound of things from your head onto paper. To keep focused, set a timer for ten minutes + quickly jot down every to-do + obligation that comes to your mind. Writing is the BEST thing you can do when your mind is racing with everything that's overflowing on your plate.
- Prioritize - Once you've done your mind dump, analyze + prioritize your list. The little things take up just as much room + energy as big things when we're overwhelmed. Once we see it on paper, it's so much easier to separate + prioritize it all. Rank each item in order of importance, then only focus on the most critical thing. Once that's done, go down your list in order of importance... one by one.
- Sleep - This is the most important! Sleeping less to get more done is NOT the way to go. The best cure for feeling overwhelmed is a good night's sleep. This is your reset button; use it!
- Walk - Even if you don't feel like it, take a walk to clear your head + get that blood pumping. Spending time outside is a mood booster + walking is good exercise. Mother Nature showing off her fall colors. Now is an excellent time to take a short walk through your neighborhood or a longer hike through a forest preserve. Slow down + absorb the beauty of autumn!

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (NIV) - Philippians 4:6-7.

There will always be seasons of overwhelm in our lives. The key to getting through it is just handing it up to God + learn to give ourselves the grace to just do the best we can. If you feel overwhelmed + don't know where to start - walk, breathe, sleep + get the thoughts out of your head + onto a piece of paper. Most of all... present your list to God + just do the best you can.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving holiday, + God Bless!

Dawn Giganti

Dawn Giganti, Marketing & Administrative Assistant
Creative Carpet & Flooring

2021 November						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 CLOSED	26 CLOSED	27 CLOSED
28	29	30				

Month at a Glance:

4th Men Make Dinner Day - For ladies with husbands attempting to cook for the first time, make sure the fire extinguisher is nearby.

7th Daylight Savings Time Ends - Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 am. Set your clock back one hour to "fall back."

11th Veteran's Day - In honor of those who made the ultimate sacrifice... THANK YOU!

15th Clean Your Refrigerator Day - Use this day to clean out your refrigerator, top to bottom. Don't forget, "When in doubt, throw it out!"

25th Thanksgiving - CLOSED 11/25 thru 11/28

29th Chia Pet Day - Chia seeds are edible... but, don't eat the chia pet seeds or you can't grow your pet!

Employee birthdays this month:

13th Jake Bouquet - Chief Operations Officer

20th Cody Bouquet - Flooring Consultant

MEET OUR CARPET CLEANING CUSTOMERS...

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BARBARA MALM
BERNARD BRUINIUS
BRADLEY ANDREATTA
BROOKE WEISBROD
BRUNO SCODRO
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CRAIG LYMAN
DEANNE KATZMANN
DONNA JERCHA
ED MURPHY

JASON BULLARO
JEANETTE LARSON
JENNIE FLATLEY
JENNIFER HEEMSTRA
JESSICA & ERIC BOUDONCK
JOAN BAILEY
JOYCE BUCKLEY
JUDY GUERINO
KATHY & DANIEL RILEY
KIMBERLY MEISTER
LARRY LEFAIVER

LINDA COLTER
LISA VAN VALKENBERG
LORRAINE EVENHOUSE
MARC LOPEZ
MARY DEBLASIO
MIRIAM DEWINDT
NANCY KOHLSTEDT
NANCY SMITH
PETER & SUSAN KIEFT
REBECCA SELBY
ROBERT GAGE

SANDY AHRENDT
SANDY JEFFRIES
SANDY URBAN
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Election Day



Though rarely thought of in the same way as apple cider and leaf-peeping, American elections take place in autumn for a reason. Out of consideration for farming schedules, Congress chose November (when the harvest was finished but it hadn't usually begun to snow yet) in its 1845 decree. As for Tuesday? Weekends were a no-go due to church, and Wednesdays were off the table because farmers usually went to the market to sell their goods. Thus, Tuesday emerged as a sort of compromise, and the tradition stuck.

[Mental Floss- September 2016]

America's First Intercollegiate Football Game

On November 6, 1869, Rutgers University and its neighbor The College of New Jersey (now Princeton) hit the field for a monumental match: the nation's first intercollegiate football game. The two colleges, situated just 20 miles apart at the time, were intense rivals. The inaugural Rutgers versus Princeton game looked nothing like college football today. Each team had 25 players on the field (compared to present-day 11 players), and they scored by kicking the ball in their opponent's goal. Carrying or throwing the ball was against the rules, but players could bat the ball around with their heads, limbs, and sides. Each game had 10 mini-games within it; when a team scored, they earned one point and the game transitioned to the next round. Rutgers was victorious, with a six-to-four lead.



The First Game [Scarleknights.com]

[NCAA - August 2021]

Punkin Chunkin

What exactly is Punkin Chunkin? For the past two decades, "chunkers" have created slingshots, trebuchets, and even pneumatic cannons to hurl pumpkins as far as possible. The World Championship Punkin Chunkin Contest has taken place in Bridgeville, Delaware, every November since 1986, with First State native Bill Thompson claiming credit for inventing the sport.

[History.com - November 2016]



ANNETTE & PAUL DAHLSTROM of Steger, IL

You are this month's

MYSTERY WINNER!

We have a \$50 Creative Carpet & Flooring gift card reserved just for you!

Stop in your nearest showroom to claim your prize!

NOTE: Must be picked up before 11/30/2021

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GIFT CARDS!



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GILDA CLARK
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JACKIE CONRAD
JAMES MORIARTY
JAN WICK
JILL GALLAGHER
JILL KIM
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JOHN TIERNEY
JOHN UTTERBACK
JUDY PERCIACH
JULIE OLCZAK
JUSTIN GAETA
KAREN BROUILLETTE
KAREN PETERSEN

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KARINA SIGULINSKI
KELLY DAUBER
KELLY RODGERS
KEN EYER
KENNETH STORTZ
KEVIN KRESS
KORI SCHMIDT
KRIS OLTHOFF
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LEANNE REARDON
LEN CLANCY
LINDA ERIKS
LINDA KENNEDY
LISA KILREA
LYNNETTE NEEDHAM
MARC FLAMINI
MARC LOPEZ
MARCY GRAYER
MARIA RODRIGUEZ
MARJKA LISCOVITZ
MARY LANDA

MARY SKIBA
MARY YORKE
MATT SOMODI
MAXINE WALKER
MELANIE & CHRIS WINOWIECKI
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MICHAEL DIMAGGIO
MIKE ABBATEMARCO
MIKE MIEDEMA
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NICOLE BROWN
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PAM FOUSHI
PAM LIDICOATT
PARRISH BOWEN
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PATRICIA SEGRAVES
PATRICK & KATHY DUGGAN
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RANDY GORDON
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RYAN NELLI
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SHERRY SUCHALA
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VIDU SONI
WALTER & CAROL NAGLE

MEGA Trivia Contest

Who wants to **WIN** a
\$50 Gift Card towards dinner at



Take our Trivia Challenge!

This month's Mega Trivia question:

What is the Tuesday after
Thanksgiving commonly
known as?

- (A) Turkey Tuesday
- (B) Sleep in Tuesday
- (C) Workout Tuesday
- (D) Giving Tuesday

To enter, visit our website at 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 20th each month. Good luck!!!

Last month's question:

What state produces the most pumpkins?

Answer: (A) Illinois

Illinois harvests the largest share of pumpkin acreage among all States and an even larger share of processing acres. Almost 80 percent of pumpkin acres in Illinois are devoted to pie filling or other processing uses, compared with about 3 percent in Michigan and even less in California and Virginia. [ers.usda.gov - October 26, 2020]

Congratulations to last month's winner:

GERALD STEFFGEN

of Frankfort, IL

Stop by Creative Carpet & Flooring to claim your prize by November 30, 2021!

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gracebeyondborders.org

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What Hunger Looks Like in Illinois

In Illinois, 1,211,410 people are facing hunger
- and of them 336,810 are children.

1 in 10 people



face hunger.

1 in 8
children

face hunger.

Will County Illinois Food Insecurity
Overall 38,860 | Children 12,550

[feedingamerica.org]

What Hunger Looks Like in Indiana

In Indiana, 834,530 people are facing hunger
- and of them 239,540 are children.

1 in 8 people



face hunger.

1 in 7
children

face hunger.

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referred us last month...**

THANK YOU FOR THE KIND WORDS!

"Just a great overall experience. From our first interaction with Dana for the estimate, through to installation, everyone has been super professional and helpful. I would especially like to highlight the installation teams because they take extra effort to be careful and to clean up, and also to do those one or two little extra things to leave the customer very happy. I would recommend these folks to anyone."

- Robert L. of Hammond, IN

