

# CREATIVE CARPET & FLOORING'S

## Creative Thinking

### “Mark” My Words... a message from Mark Sr.

Hi to ALL Our Creative Friends!

I hope everyone has been enjoying summer! It seems like this has been a muggy one to me. But I'll take it because summer seems so short. A quick reminder that we'll be closed September 2nd through the 4th to observe and spend some much-needed time with families on Labor Day Weekend. I hope everyone takes some time to say a quick prayer or thank you to all the people who work hard and, in many instances, aren't recognized for it. Generations of work has built this country. I'm personally thankful generations of mine and Tammy's family were part of it.

I still have a tough time believing I'm a grandfather. I'm sure Tammy does, too. I believe grandkids are God's way of us getting back at our kids for the times they were little stinkers! Personally, I love to get them all hyped up on sugar and send them home! It's impossible for me to tell these little cuties no!

I never like to bring up sad news in my letters, but whatever your views are on 9/11, there were over 3,000 fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, kids, babies and grandparents that were murdered on our soil. It was worse than the attack on Pearl Harbor. Pray for the families of the lost ones.

Here's MUCH better news! September 15th is my son Mark's birthday! He's a great father, husband and foster parent, along with my daughter-in-law, Annie. Mark spent about 5 years installing - long enough to become a master installer, but not too long to fall apart like his dad did. I love my sons all the same, but Mark was what most would believe to be too young to run the sales department. He not only ran it, he turned it into NASA by the time I was back. I'm of the generation who asks their grandkids for tech support!

Then we have a big HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Dawn Churchill! We've known Dawn for years. Our younger kids went to grammar school together. Dawn is dependable, reliable, methodical and our friend. She is part of our "family" here at Creative. I personally love anyone who makes Tammy's life easier! Thank you Dawn. I think you see how Tammy pushes herself to the limit every day. It would be unbearable without the help she gets from you and the office staff.

September 22nd is the first day of fall. I LOVE FALL, and with the leaf color changes, the Midwest can be beautiful. We tried going to Galena last March and most things were closed because it was off-season. We're going again this fall and are hoping to see the incredible leaf color changes. We'll be staying at the Historic Desoto Hotel on Main Street, which has a lot of history!

I always want to end my letters by thanking all of you for placing your trust in this business. We do everything we can to make things right. If you EVER have a problem, PLEASE tell us! We can't rectify what we don't know about. I thank God for each one of you. If you only knew what your loyalty is doing in the neighborhood and around the world! Thank you from the bottom of my heart!

Thank you,  
Mark Bouquet, Sr.

*Mark Bouquet, Sr.*

2017 SEPTEMBER						
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### Month at a Glance:

**4th Labor Day** - dedicated to American workers and their accomplishments.

**10 Grandparent's Day** - make it a tradition to be with your grandparents on this special day.

**11 911 Remembrance** - reflect and pray for the victims who died and their families and friends.

**15 Dawn Churchill's & Mark Bouquet Jr's Birthday** - A very happy birthday to two amazing individuals! We love you both!!!

**22 First day of Autumn** - Fall begins!

**28 Ask a Stupid Question Day** - Shhhh... everyone call 888-910-6585 and ask the stupidest flooring question you can!!!



**Mark Bouquet**

**Mark Bouquet Jr.**

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\*Residential only. Within first 30 days after installation. Does not include cost of installation or other labor. Style must be of equal or lesser value.

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## Work tips: Creating your Perfect Home Office

There are many advantages to having a home office. If you are self-employed or own a business, you can write off a portion of your household expenses, including mortgage interest, property taxes and utilities.



Some quick pointers for setting up your home office:

- If you can, dedicate one room to your office. This gives you a space where you, your family and your friends all know it's time for business.
- One room makes it easier to write off expenses on a percentage basis (1 room out of 7 = one 7th)
- Build in lots of storage space – use overhead or under-desk drawers where you can
- Make sure the things you use regularly are within reach

## Safety Tips: Once Your Identity Is Compromised

Last issue we dealt with some simple precautions you can take to protect your identity. But what if it's too late, and you're pretty sure your personal information is compromised? What's the next step?



1. Tell your bank right away. Sit down with them and open new accounts which are password-protected. They'll help you move all your preauthorized payments and income to the new account.
2. Same with your credit card accounts – notify them right away to freeze all unauthorized transactions.
3. Contact the credit bureaus (Transunion, Equifax, Experian) to place a fraud flag on your reports. The person who stole your identity may try to
4. open new lines of credit.
5. While you're at it, get the latest report from them to see if there's any recent activity that's not familiar....new department store credit cards you know nothing about, for example! Get a new report every 3-4 months for a while.
6. If your driver's license, birth certificate or passport has been stolen, contact the issuing agency immediately to get a new one and have the old one flagged.

So as you can see, you're not entirely helpless even if the worst happens....it's all about being aware!

## CHARLES SCHUTT

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 09/30/2017

## Did You Know ?

**We're Booking Up FAST!**

### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE WARNING:

Creative Carpet is in very high demand, and we are booked out for several weeks. If you are even thinking of having new flooring installed for Thanksgiving and Christmas, We implore you to run (don't walk) to one of our showrooms and book your installation now, even if you don't need it for a month or two.

If you come in at the last minute we'll do our best to fit you in, but it's very likely you'll have to wait for several weeks. Don't take that chance!

**CALL OR VISIT US NOW!**

### THANK YOU FOR THE KIND WORDS!

My first time I used your services was the blizzard of February 2011. Much better weather this time. Everyone courteous & professional. Done in record time and everything put back and clean up was done - Couldn't ask for better service! All I have left to replace is carpeting. We'll definitely call you when I'm ready. Thank you!!" - Jean of Palos Hills

## That's Why They Call Them Great!



Some fun facts about the Great Lakes:

1. They number 5 of the top 12 freshwater lakes on Earth
2. They contain about 18% of the world's fresh water
3. They are visible from the Moon
4. If spread out, their total volume of water would cover the lower 48 states in 9 ½ feet of water
5. Easiest way to remember their names?

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### **A "WELCOME BACK" TO OUR RETURNING CLIENTS...**

Mary & John Busch	White Hawk Properties	Pam & Craig Lord
Karen Cozen	Phil & Kathy Hess	Kimberly Martens
Dennis Demereckis	Jackie Hoffman	Colleen & Robert Sands
Nancy Devries	John Jobbe	Georgeann Tonkavich
Bob & Donna Doucet	Marion Katterheinrich	Kurt & Maryann Truxal
Phyllis Ferrini	Joel Korczak	June Wolfrum
Laura Gasper	Alan Liptak	

### **MEET OUR CARPET CLEANING CUSTOMERS...**

Stephanie Applebaum	Valerie & Richard Good	Mimi & James Royer
Bernadette Benson	Mike & Anita Gulick	Betty Rudnick
Dorothy Chapman	Amy Hainzinger	Colleen & Robert Sands
Wes & Luann Day	Cathy Hambric	Shannon View Condo Association
Bernie & MaryAnn Ferreri	David & Christine Hargens	Cleo Simmons
Carmel Finnegan	Cindy Hepp	Ethan & Danielle Smith
Dan & Sharon Firlit	Greg & Diane Jones	Marco & Katie Vargas
First Reformed Church of South Holland	Kwiatkowski Concrete	Delores Wellington
John Garavaglia	Jim & Betty Lally	Ryan & Jessica Westlund
Molly & William Gaus	Kimberly Martens	Heidi Yunker
	Carrie & Greg Peters	

**Call for more info on our expert carpet cleaning services! 888.910.6585**



## Mega Trivia Contest

Who wants to WIN a \$50 Gift Card towards dinner at TGI Friday's, Olive Garden, Red Lobster or Aurelio's Pizza?

Take our Trivia Challenge!

This month's Mega Trivia question:

**What's the best way for you to help prevent animal shelter overpopulation?**

- A) Always spay or neuter your pets**
- B) Adopt pets from shelters or rescue groups, not breeders**
- C) Make sure you can make a lifetime commitment to any animal before getting it**
- D) All of the above**
- E) None of the above**

To enter, go to:

[www.creativecarpetinc.com](http://www.creativecarpetinc.com), click on "Monthly News - Home Advisor Monthly Newsletter" 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, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Good luck!!!

**Answer to August's quiz:  
A) \$18**

Congratulations to last month's winner:

**James Boehm**

Stop by Creative Carpet & Flooring to claim your prize by September 30, 2017!



# WHEN TIMES ARE TOUGH, LAUGH!



These sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in Church Services...

\* Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Methodist. Come hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.

- \* The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
- \* The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water."
- \* The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."
- \* Our youth basketball team is back in action Wednesday at 8pm in the recreation hall. Come out and watch us kill Christ the King!
- \* Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale... It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.

## MEET OUR NEW FRIENDS AND CLIENTS...

Sarah Callis	Vitality Health Systems	Teresa Peterson
Claudia Cinabro	Jill Johnson	Lois Reil
Jerry Cissna	Bob Jones	Erma Rickord
Marilyn Costanza	Gerald & Sandi Kreevich	Henry Roberts
Bernie & Robert Dement	Michelle & Richard Kuzniar	Irv & Charlotte Roberts
Gerald Donaldson	Faith Church Highland	Barbara Sakowski
Larry Evancho	Mary Lomey	Jerry Schmitt
Jeanne Faber	Gina Lovett	Pat Sierzega
Ablah Farahid	Judy Lucas	Bryan & Katie Sobkowiak
Teri Fisch	Pat McCann	Tracy Steinbrenner
Tony Fourte	Mark & Lauren Meyers	Chris Stoettner
Diane Franco	Mike Mikich	Rick Talbot
Robert & Maria Giffels	Tom & Sarah Mittler	Nellie Talsma
Stacy Gonzales	Immanuel Lutheran	Cindy & Arvind Talwar
Corryn Greenwood	Preschool	Lydia Urban
Joseph Harris	Diana Nash	James & Christine Walsh
Edward Hobson	Jan Nielsen	Heidi Wegforth
Fred & Lisa Hoff	Jennifer Page	Janet Winter
Dan Huizinga	Joe Payonk	Wayne Yurcisin
Stacy & Fred Jacobi	Susan Perry	

## A gigantic THANK YOU to all who referred us last month...

- Linda & Scott Malmborg
- Terri Reimel
- Tad & Hilina Ulinski
- Edith Vos
- Stana Mikich
- Skip & Ann Pastore

## Get A Night Out At One Of Your Favorite Restaurants Through Creative Carpet's

### Referral Rewards Program

As you probably know, advertising is very expensive. Instead of paying the newspaper or other place to advertise, we'd rather reward you. So I've assembled my **Referral Rewards Program**. Every time you refer someone who becomes a client and purchases, we will send you a \$25 gift card to one of the following: **Olive Garden, Longhorn Steakhouse, Bahama Breeze Island Grill, Seasons 32 Fresh Grill, Yard House, Red Lobster, TGI Friday's or Aurelio's Pizza.**



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Tue, Thu : 10am - 8pm  
Sat : 10am - 4pm

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- ✓ 4 predatory sales tactics
- ✓ 7 costly misconceptions about flooring
- ✓ 5 questions to ask a dealer before buying

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# Community Events

SAT September 23rd 10:00am-4:00pm  
**STAINMASTER Sit, Stay & Save Event**  
*Benefiting P.A.W.S. of Tinley Park*  
Creative Carpet & Flooring  
19420 S LaGrange Road, Mokena IL  
Pet adoption, huge flooring sale, goodie bags for animals and their humans  
COST: FREE  
INFO: [info@creativecarpetinc.com](mailto:info@creativecarpetinc.com) or call (708) 479-8600

SAT September 30th 10:00am-4:00pm  
**STAINMASTER Sit, Stay & Save Event**  
*Benefiting Humane Society Calumet Area*  
Creative Carpet & Flooring  
2315 45th Street, Highland IN  
Pet adoption, huge flooring sale, goodie bags for animals and their humans  
COST: FREE  
INFO: [info@creativecarpetinc.com](mailto:info@creativecarpetinc.com) or call (219) 595-5561

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If you have a community event or fundraiser that you would like us to feature in the October 2017 Creative Carpet & Flooring Creative Thinking, please email [marketing@creativecarpetinc.com](mailto:marketing@creativecarpetinc.com) by September 19th, 2017.



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You Can Adopt-A-Pet And Adopt-A-Floor At The Same Time!

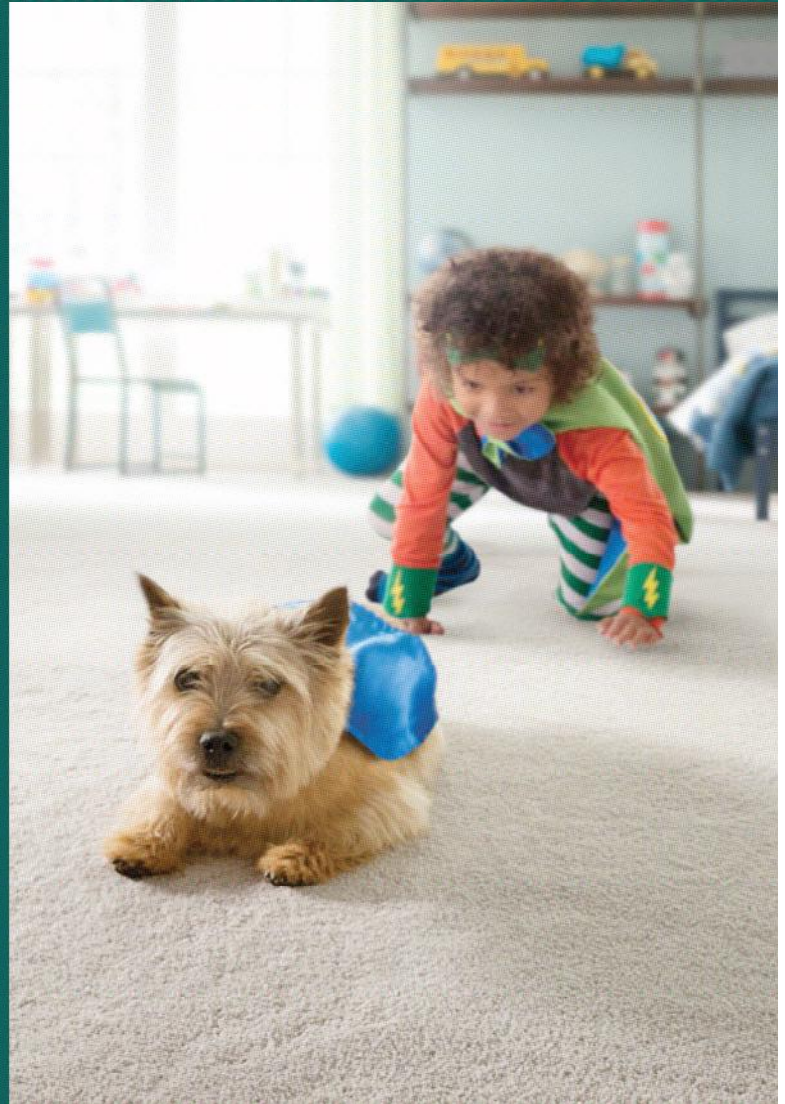
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SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup>**

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Benefiting the Humane  
Society Calumet Area from  
Munster, Indiana







# Fashion SALE

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**Sale Dates**

**August 15 - September 30**



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On purchases made with your Shaw Floors credit card made between AUG 15, 2017 - SEP 30, 2017  
Only for Shaw brand residential purchases.

**24 Equal Monthly Payments required.**

\*Offer applies only to single-receipt qualifying purchases. No interest will be charged on promo purchase and equal monthly payments are required equal to initial promo purchase amount divided equally by the number of months in promo period until promo is paid in full. The equal monthly payment will be rounded to the next highest whole dollar and may be higher than the minimum payment that would be required if the purchase was a non-promotional purchase. Regular account terms apply to non-promotional purchases. For new accounts: Purchase APR is 29.99%; Minimum Interest Charge is \$2. Existing cardholders should see their credit card agreement for their applicable terms. Subject to credit approval.