



Mark Bouquet



Mark Bouquet, Jr.

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ATTENTION!
 **MINDY STRUMPH**
 You are this month's **Mystery Winner!**
 We have a **\$10.00 gift certificate** to Starbucks reserved just for you! Come by our store to claim your prize!
 Creative Carpet & Flooring
 19420 S. LaGrange Road
 Mokena, IL 60448
NOTE: Must be picked up by 05/31/2016



Creative Carpet & Flooring HOME ADVISOR™

Hi All,

There seems to be so much going on that I don't know quite where to begin. As always I just have to say that I am so amazed at our friend's continual loyalty, as we celebrate our 26th year in business! Recently, I had the good fortune to be at the store and see Rory Watts, whose father, Dean, was one of my very first customers, if not my VERY FIRST CUSTOMER! It's funny the things you remember – like the layout of his house and the patterned, nylon berber by Evans & Black that they purchased! My mentor, Bob Oates, was friends with Art Black, (of Evans & Black). Art Black then went on to sell his company to Bob Shaw of Shaw Industries, the largest carpet manufacturer in the world.

We are hoping to have some good things happening this year at the store, too, but the coolest will be for our very own Chris Boerema and his wife Adriana as they have their first baby, due on May 5th, or "Cinco de Mayo". It is also the day before my best man's birthday, which is May 6th (I'll be calling you All!) It's also "Foster Care Month". Mark and Annie have been in the process of becoming foster parents, and they already have stepped up with the birth of my grandkids, Ruby and Milo, and a newborn foster child they are taking care of. I'm very proud of all of them! May 17th is our chief estimator Gary's birthday; he is the man who taught me the trade which would become the business that it is today. May 17th is also the day when I was a freshman in high school where I started dating my wife, Tammy! We are married 33 years April 2nd this year, and if you include dating, we have been together continuously for 37 years.

I find it humorous that I am a musician, and May 22nd is "Buy a Musical Instrument Day." I may not make the 38th year with Tammy if I buy anymore guitars or amps and drums!!! I find it hilarious that it is "Save Your Hearing Day" on May 31st, also! Who comes up with these days anyways?!

But the most important day to remember is May 30th, Memorial Day - a time to think about all who have gone on to be in heaven so we could enjoy the freedoms that, I sadly admit, seem to be slipping away. There is a lot of problems in the world today. I hate to bring up things that are obviously sad, but I would be remiss if I didn't mention that our civil discourse is being stretched to the limits today. For God, for love of country and for the love of all who went off somewhere to keep the homeland safe, we need to have a reality check and take inventory of what is really important. Let your friends and loved ones know you care. I know we are just a flooring store but I started this company to be fair, great at what we do, and, most importantly, to be honest and keep our integrity intact because there is no job worth having if we don't earn a customer for life. We have done pretty well in that department, too, based on our records and our internet reviews. I personally thank you all for that!

Sorry about the novel here but I just want to convey my deepest thanks for your loyalty, to my family, and our friends in the store that make it all work.

Thank you so much!

Mark Bouquet Sr.

Remember those who have sacrificed this Memorial Day



Holidays This Month:

3rd Lumpy Rug Day – *If you have a lumpy rug, toss it out & see us for a nice, lump-less rug*

5th Cinco de Mayo – & **BABY DAY** for our staff member CHRIS! *Will it be a boy or a girl?*

8th Mother's Day – *gift hint... mom wants some time with you far more than anything else*

13th Friday the 13th – *the only one in 2016*

17th Gary Onate Sr.'s Birthday – *Creative Carpet & Flooring's longest employee... HAPPY BIRTHDAY, GARY!*

22nd Buy a Musical Instrument Day – *obvious how to celebrate*

30th Memorial Day – *thank you to all who served that gave their lives for our freedom & country*

31st Save Your Hearing Day – *by NOT celebrating May 22nd*

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May is National Foster Care Month! It's a time to recognize that we each can play a part in enhancing the lives of children and youth in foster care. Visit childwelfare.gov/fostercaremonth to find ways to help ensure that their future is bright.

DID YOU KNOW...

about Creative Carpet & Flooring's

PAY IT FORWARD PROGRAM?



Looking for ways to help your church or non-profit organization raise money? WE WANT TO HELP! You or someone you know may need new flooring. When you/they purchase flooring through Creative Carpet & Flooring, we will donate a minimum of 3% of the purchase back to the organization name!

For more information about this easy opportunity to earn money for your organization or to register, visit:



scan QR code with smartphone

[creativecarpetinc.com/
pay-it-forward-program](http://creativecarpetinc.com/pay-it-forward-program)

You may also call us at
(708) 479-8600!

*Copy of 501(c)(3) required

Mega Trivia Contest!

Congratulations to last month's winner:

SUE
HALL

Stop in at Creative Carpet & Flooring
to claim your prize by
May 31, 2016!

[Answer to last month's quiz: (A) McDonald's - The first restaurant was opened by Ray Kroc in Des Plaines, Illinois.]

Who else wants to WIN A \$50 GIFT CARD
towards dinner at TGI Fridays or Olive
Garden?

This month's Mega Trivia question:

Which holiday was made official
on May 9th, 1914?

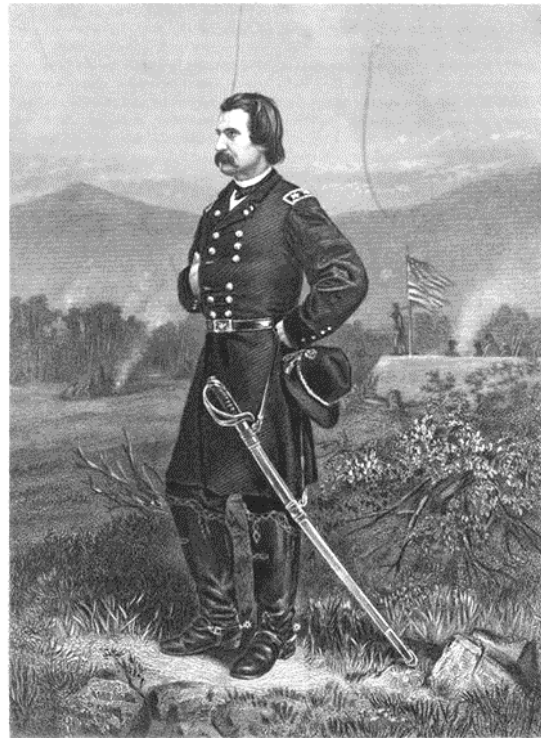
- (A) Arbor Day
- (B) Memorial Day
- (C) Mother's Day
- (D) World Red Cross Day

To enter, go to www.creativecarpetinc.com and click on "Monthly News" - Home Advisor Monthly Newsletter." Take your best guess... your chances of winning are better than you think! Winner will be announced in the following month's newsletter.

The History of Memorial Day

Memorial Day is a holiday observed on the last Monday of May to honor the men and women who died while serving in our military. It was officially declared by General John A. Logan (pictured below), a veteran himself, on May 5, 1862, who stated:

"The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land."



The first Decoration Day was honored as General James

Garfield gave a speech in Arlington National Cemetery, after which more than 5,000 soldiers and civilians decorated 20,000 graves of the Union and Confederate soldiers buried there.

Decoration Day has since become known as Memorial day. Originally a day to remember all who lost their lives fighting in the Civil War, that changed in 1915 when America found itself struggling with the loss of so many in another conflict - World War I. As a result, Memorial Day is now observed for all soldiers of the military who died in any conflict.

*Who kept the faith and fought the fight;
the glory theirs, the duty ours.* - Wallace Bruce

KIDS SAY THE
DARNEST THINGS!!



"Dear Ashly,

Would you please be my girlfriend? I like you allot.

Yes No Maybe

P.S. Please put yes, no or maybe."

~ REPLY ~

"I'm sorry, I already have a boyfriend (Kyle), but when we break up you're my next choice.

P.S. That will probably be in a month or two"

MEET OUR NEW FRIENDS & CLIENTS...

The Benefits of Home Gardens

April Brach	Linda Fragale	Mary Pultz
Darrell & Lillian Brunner	Kathy & James Gallagher	Rich & Agnes Raddatz
John Byrne	Andrea & Kurt Heinz	Henry & Kathleen Schroth
Kerry Carey	Gabriel & Chantha Jarquin	MaryAnn Senese
Mark Charles	Liane Johnson	Lisa & James Tansey
Bill & Mary Collias	Bob Johnson	Angelo & Kristy Velissaris
Beverly Consier	Kristen Long	Mike Victor
Thomas & Laura Creighton	Elizabeth Nelson	Rick Watters
Ron England	Terry Obele	Ann Zaremba
Marie Fleming	Carla & Brian O'Neil	
Jason Flutman		

Over the past several months food prices have risen steadily while showing no signs of stopping. The prices of vegetables and fruit are increasing so much that it's harder for people to consistently eat healthy if they have a limited budget. This is a great time of year to consider more ways of saving.



One place to start, which creates an activity for the whole family, is to grow a garden of fresh fruits and vegetables. There are so many benefits to growing food at home, such as:

Thank You For The Kind Words!

"I needed carpeting but kept putting it off. From the moment I walked thru the door of Creative Carpet and met Steve, through the moment professional and courteous installers, Tony and Ricky, left, it was a smooth and uncomplicated process. Steve Williams made me feel so certain about my purchase that I cancelled two other appointments I had to look for carpet elsewhere! Now I have beautiful new carpeting which makes my home feel new again! Many thanks!"

- Laura Sands of Tinley Park, IL

Eat Better - People may not consider or even know that every apple, banana and tomato gets plucked long before it should. Removing them from the plant before they're ripe weakens the full vitamin impact. Growing produce at home allows you to instantly go into the garden and get fresh herbs and tomatoes for your salad when they're ripe enough to give you the best amount of nutrition possible.

Cut Costs - Dollars and cents are another primary reason to consider gardening. If you have fruits and vegetables waiting for you at home, you're more likely to be able to skip the produce section of the grocery store. Sure, you may not be able to skip everything, but having tomatoes, carrots and onions at home already saves you more than just a pretty penny.

Get Outdoors - A garden gets you outside with your kids for some family time. Weeds are something they can help get rid of and getting water all over your garden can be a lot of fun! It's good quality time together while getting some sunshine and enjoying your small piece of nature.

Relaxing - There's no better way to de-stress than spending time caring for something. Gardening is very relaxing. It's a way to escape the world and let all your troubles leave you - even if it's only for a short time. You can have your oasis just outside your back door and be all the better for it. All it takes is a bit of time.

Self-Worth - It's impossible to spend your summer nurturing your crops and not be proud of how red, juicy and flavorful your tomatoes are or how many grow from just one plant. Allow yourself the chance to take pride in your work. See with your own eyes how much your effort gets appreciated when your plants grow so well and your family enjoys the "fruits" of your labor. Pride may not always be a good thing, but there's nothing wrong with being proud of your fresh carrots - no matter their size.

This year, save yourself some money, get outside, relax and be proud of yourself while growing your own little piece of paradise.

If you fall, I'll be there .

- Floor

WELCOME BACK TO OUR RETURNING CLIENTS...

Kyle & Leah Fischer	Murphy	Chris & Katherine Schulte
Tammy Frankenbach	Carrie & John Nelson	Lori Sponder
Jenny & Matt Kamin	Rikki Neyer	Rory & Judy Watts
Jeff & Gayle Kuzmuk	Maryann O'Brien	Kim & Bob Witt
Fallon Lavin	Mary Peters	Mary & Gary Wojtczak
Tony Litto	Russ & Mary Petrizzo	Jean Zapka
Craig & Sue McNulty	Sonya Poston	Carol & Joe Ziemba
Jim & Megan	Peggy Rubino	
	Tom Sawyer	
	Laura Schulte	

Meet our Carpet Cleaning Customers

Call for more info on our expert carpet cleaning services!

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SCOTT SUTTER
CELESTE HERREIA
DONNA CESARIO
MAGGIE KOSECK
MELISSA & TIM CHANNELL
RAY & EMMY PETERS
NANCY CZERNIK
BRUNO & LORRAINE SCODRO
JENNIFER PLUDE

MARSHA & ROSS NELSON
VICKY MATUSIK
MIKE & NANCY WAKEHAM



Flea Prevention

It's the time of year when fleas can start to become a problem, especially if you have furry loved ones that are more likely to bring them indoors. Warmer weather means fleas are waking up.

Many know how much pain these tiny bugs can cause. They make us and our pets itchy, and can leave scars. The worst part is they're hard to get rid of. Here are a few quick tips for ways to prevent fleas from getting into your home.



Clean Regularly As simple as it sounds, if you have carpets in your home fleas can nestle down in them as well as they get under your loved one's fur. Vacuuming frequently helps prevent fleas from being an issue for your family.

Laundry Washing your pet's bedding once or twice a week not only stops fleas from settling in, but gives your pet a nice clean bed to sleep in. Your laundry can also become a resting place for fleas, especially if you have a cat that likes to sleep in laundry baskets. Doing laundry frequently will help prevent this from happening.

Tend the Yard Maintaining your back yard is crucial to help keep fleas at bay. Mowing the lawn and keeping leaves cleaned up not only makes your home look good, it may also keep it flea-free! After all, sending a substantially large lawn mower over your house once a week would send you packing too. Fleas aren't very fond of sunlight; so, if you have door mats outside, hang them up in the sun and beat them senseless with a broom. That will stop bugs from making themselves a home in the welcome mat.

Anti-Flea Treatments Things like flea collars are a good way to keep fleas off, but there are pet treatments available to keep fleas off by placing a few drops between their shoulder blades. Ask your veterinarian about them as they protect your pet's body in a way that's safe and prevents fleas from sticking around.

The summer will soon be in full swing, and no one wants pesky fleas interfering with fun. So take extra measures now to nip flea settlement in the bud before they move in!

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Be sure to stop by to pick out and schedule your new floor installation AND... from our families to yours, have a great month!

Thank You

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 or TGI Friday's.**

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

Mike Sommer	Karen Roach
Dawn Soderlund	Kathie Pultz
Denise Lough	
Donna Haugh	Lisa Krueger

WARNING!

Don't visit any flooring dealer until you call us for a FREE Consumer Awareness Guide! You will learn...

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

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MON WED FRI 10:00am - 6:00pm

TUE THU 10:00am - 8:00pm

SAT 10:00am - 4:00pm

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Tuftex Spring fashion Sale

April 15 - May 31, 2016

#tuftexfashionsale

Save up to

\$1000

on your next purchase of
Anso[®] nylon and
STAINMASTER[®] nylon
carpet from Tuftex.

Tuftex[™]
Carpets of California

*(Receive a rebate for \$2 / yd. or \$0.22 / sq. ft.
- see reverse for details.)*

What to do right now... bring this flyer to your flooring consultant at Creative Carpet & Flooring before Tuesday, May 31, 2016 to take advantage of this great offer!!!

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Tuftex Spring fashion Sale

#tuftexfashionsale

Save up to:

\$1000

on your next purchase of Anso[®] nylon and STAINMASTER[®] nylon carpet from Tuftex.
(Receive a rebate for \$2/ yd. or \$0.22/ sq. ft.)



Sale Dates:
April 15 - May 31

Thank you for your purchase of Anso[®] nylon or STAINMASTER[®] nylon carpet from Tuftex.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR REBATE:

ONLINE: To redeem your rebate visit www.tuftexfashionsale.com

MAIL: Send all of the following required items to the address listed below:

- This **Rebate Form** completely filled out (PLEASE PRINT).
- A copy of your **Store Issued Proof of Purchase** for the qualifying sale.
(Order acknowledgements, packing slips, and flooring estimates do not qualify.)

Mail all of these items to:

Tuftex Spring Fashion Sale
4727 Thompson Mill Rd.
Buford, GA 30518

PLEASE NOTE:

- This Rebate must be submitted Online or Postmaked no later than July 18, 2016.
- Purchase must be made at a Participating Dealer between April 15 and May 31, 2016. Please allow 6 to 8 weeks for processing.
- Limit one rebate per household.
- Not Valid on Tuftex Area Rug Purchases.
(Keep copies of all materials for your records.)

Participating Dealer Information:

Dealer Name: CREATIVE CARPET & FLOORING
 Address: 19420 S LAGRANGE RD
 City/State/Zip : MOKENA, IL 60448-9316
 Phone: (708) 479-8600
 Email: INFO@CREATIVECARPETINC.COM
 Account #: _____

Customer Information:

Customer Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City/State/Zip : _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____
 Style Name/Number: _____
 Yards Purchased: _____

*Rebate subject to change or cancellation in whole or in part without notice. Rebate cannot be combined with any other manufacturer's offer. All rebate claims may be audited, and unsubstantiated claims may be denied. Fraudulent submissions of multiple requests could result in prosecution. Void where taxed, prohibited or restricted by law. Requests from P.O. Boxes will not be honored. Rebate subject to product availability. Manufacturers, distributors and dealers of carpet made with Anso[®] nylon and STAINMASTER[®] nylon, and their employees and families may not participate. Not responsible for illegible, late, lost or misdirected mail. Limit one rebate entry/form per household. **This rebate may only be used to purchase from an eligible, participating flooring dealer and/or member of Creating Your Space premium web services. Valid in U.S.A. and Canada Only.***

