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

Happy Aprill

Spring is in full swing between the sun and rain clouds. The sun will be shining one minute, and the next thing we know, it's raining again. But it's better than snow and ice!

I was talking with my marketing coach about expanding our website. I am making myself crazy because everything has to be perfect. I'm worried that I will never get my ducks in a row to make this happen. It's a pretty common problem.

No matter what we're trying to achieve - like going back to school, getting a new job, starting a new project at work, purchasing a new house, planning a vacation, or just redecorating the living room or reorganizing your closet. It doesn't matter if it's big or small; we so often get wrapped up in analysis paralysis that we fail to act.

But one thing I'm starting to realize, sometimes it's okay to settle for good enough. I often wait for circumstances to be perfect rather than go with the flow. Do you do that, too? I tend to want everything to be PICTURE PERFECT and OUTSTANDING, so I overcomplicate the process rather than simply going for the quick win. Can you relate?

And if you think about it, this tendency towards wanting things to be perfect probably holds us back more often than we'd care to admit. If we don't have time to clean our house from top to bottom, we don't clean at all. If we can't go on the vacation of our dreams, we refuse to go anywhere. If we can't have the whole family together, we don't want to get together at all. I could go on and on.

"Therefore, do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble." Matthew 6:30 ESV

Time to rewire our thinking. Tell yourself, "I'm doing the best I can today, and that's good enough." In dealing with perfectionism's procrastination side, don't listen to that "it's not good enough" voice. Tell yourself, "I'm going to devote ten minutes to this project today and see where it goes." Seriously, what is the worst that could happen? Instead of waiting for the stars to align and for everything to be just right, embrace the imperfection!

Let's go for the quick win, enjoy the journey and allow that small triumph to give us the courage to keep trying! Do something right now, today, that you've been putting off for fear it wouldn't be quite good enough or because you can't do it perfectly. Make your bed, even if the rest of your room is a mess. Spend an hour at the park, even if you can't go away for the weekend. Have a family cookout with whoever can make it.

That being said, time for me to work on that website project! So, have a fantastic month, and we'll chat again in May!

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Dawn Giganti, Marketing & Administrative Assistant

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Month at a Glance:

2nd Good Friday thru Easter Sunday -

CLOSED to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus with our family & friends.

12th <u>Big Wind Day</u> - This day blows!

15th Income Taxes Due - "The only difference between a tax man and a taxidermist is that the taxidermist leaves the skin." ~ Mark Twain

22nd Earth Day - An annual event celebrated around the world to demonstrate support for environmental protection.

Employee birthdays this month:

2nd <u>Lauren Biskup</u> - Accounting

16th Chris Boerema - Director of Operations 23rd Mark Bouquet, Sr. - Founder & President

Mutant Carrots!

The first orange veggie that springs to mind is probably a carrot, but strangely enough, while orange carrots have come to be the norm, they were actually born out of a mutation. Originally, carrots were primarily purple, though there were white or yellow ones in the wild. In the 17th century, the Dutch began breeding wild white and yellow carrots together, creating a sweeter version that is the vibrant orange variety we know today. They became widerspread in the West than their purple counterparts, and now yellow, white, and orange carrots are called Western varieties, while purple and red carrots (which have an earthier or peppery taste) are Eastern varieties.

(Mental Floss) July 2020



(dinersclub.com)

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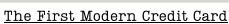












Credit has played a key role in human commerce for centuries However, the modern idea of a credit card - a single charge account managed by a third party that can be used with multiple merchants

has its roots in a 1949 New York City dinner between

Frank McNamara of the Hamilton Credit Corporation and Alfred Bloomingdale, grandson of the famous department store founder. As they went to pay the check, McNamara realized he'd forgotten his wallet and had to ask his wife to bring him cash. Mortified, the banker later teamed up with Bloomingdale to turn a personal embarrassment into a new financial product: the Diners Club card. Launched in 1950, the new card targeted traveling salesmen who had to take clients out to eat at multiple locations. The going was initially tough: not all restaurants wanted to pay a charge for a credit service they were already offering in-house - prior to Diners Club, larger stores and restaurants often offered customers their own private credit services. But while the first 200 cardholders were mainly personal friends of McNamara, success didn't take long: by the end of its first year, 20,000 people were Diners Club members

(ThoughtCo) January 2021

MEET OUR NEW & RETURNING FRIENDS & CLIENTS... HELEN LEKAVICH JOSEPHINE WARD LINDA WENSKUS

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











Take our Trivia Challenge!

This month's Mega Trivia question:

What city was the capital of the U.S. for only one day?

- (A) Baltimore, MD
- (B) Philadelphia, PA
- (C) Lancaster, PA
- (D) New York City,

visit our website 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:

How much of the world's freshwater is frozen?

Answer: (C) 70%

Approximately 71% of the earth's surface is covered in water, but almost all of it is saline. The majority — more than 96%, according to the U.S. Geological Survey — fills the world's oceans or can be found in smaller salt-filled bodies of water. Only 2.5% is freshwater, and most of it is unavailable to humans and other life forms. The USGS estimates that just 1% of the planet's freshwater is on the surface, and around 30% is groundwater. The remaining freshwater — nearly 70% of the total supply — is frozen in glaciers and ice caps, primarily in places such as Greenland and Antarctica. And although they account for just a tiny fraction of the world's global water supply, these ice sheets could cause sea levels to rise by as much as 230 feet if they melted, according to the National Snow & Ice Data Center. (USGS - March 2020)

Congratulations to last month's winner:

MARYANN & BERNIE FERRERI

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

















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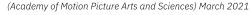
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Academy Award of Merit

You might know the shining statuettes as "Oscars," but the official name of an Oscar trophy is the Academy Award of Merit. Designed by Los Angeles sculptor George Stanley, Oscar has become one of the world's most recognizable trophies. More than 3,000 statuettes have been presented since their introduction in 1929. Each is solid bronze and plated in 24-karat gold (the only exceptions being during World War II when a metal shortage forced them to be made of painted plaster). The origin of the Oscar nickname, which was officially adopted in 1939, remains hazy. A popular story is that the Academy librarian saw the trophy for the first time and said it looked just like her uncle Oscar.

Want to watch the Oscars? The 93rd Academy Awards will be at 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM CDT on Sunday, April 25, 2021, on ABC. The film academy and ABC will broadcast the Oscars from the historic Union Station in Los Angeles and the Dolby Theatre at the Hollywood & Highland Center.





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~ Sue H. of Highland, IN

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