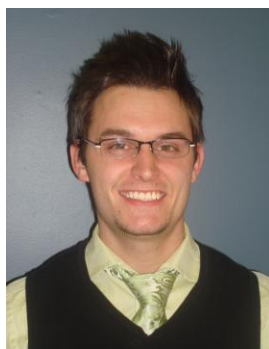


Mark Bouquet



Mark Bouquet Jr.

In honor of our **Veterans** who have **served our country**, we offer **year-round discounts**. Make sure you mention your service at any time during your shopping experience.

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Attention GREG WILSON!

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!
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NOTE: Must be picked up by
NOV 30TH, 2010

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Reliable news for healthy living, saving money, and having fun! Nov 2010

Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

For us here at Creative Carpet, we have many reasons to be thankful. As many of you may or may not know my father, Mark Sr., has suffered from severe headaches for almost 20 years. For the last few years the pain has become so excruciating that he has been unable to come into the store on most days. This is the business that he and my mother built together, and to not be here has been very difficult for him.

On October 4th my father underwent spinal fusions in his neck. The surgery went well, and the headaches have ceased! However, now it's the hard road of recovery, and it could take 6-12 weeks before his neck completely fuses.

I want to thank those of you who have prayed, loved, and supported our family throughout the years. Many of our clients and friends have called just to find out how he is doing, and sharing this outpouring has truly lifted my father's spirits. To finally see my father live and work without the extreme pain he's endured for so long is something I thought I'd never see. Now, we have hope that this is the answer to our prayers.

So as the holiday approaches, the Bouquet family and all of us at Creative Carpet will be giving thanks to God for the healing of my father. We will also be giving thanks for all the wonderful people, whom we call friends, that God has brought to us through this business.

May you find many reasons to be thankful this season! Mark Jr.



November 11, 2010

Fighting in the First World War ended the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918; the following year President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the first celebration of Armistice Day.

In 1938, an act of Congress made November 11th each year a legal holiday, and then in 1954 the act was amended to include military service in World War Two and the Korean War. The amendment changed the word "Armistice" to "Veterans", and in 1954 the day was recognized as a tribute to American veterans of all wars.

In the 1970's there was an experiment, intended to create longer weekends, and the celebration of Veterans Day was moved. In 1971 it fell on October 25th! This idea was fortunately short-lived, and in 1978 Veterans Day returned to November 11th.

Did You Know. . .



We are now on
Facebook!!

Help us reach 1000 "likes"
& you'll be entered into a
drawing for a
\$100 KOHL'S Gift Card!

www.Facebook.com/CreativeCarpetInc

Help spread the word; click "Share"
and invite your friends to help get
us there faster so some lucky
winner can shop in time for
Christmas!

Store Thanksgiving Hours

Nov 22	Mon	10-6p
Nov 23	Tues	10-8p
Nov 24	Wed	10-6p
Nov 25	Thur	Closed
Nov 26	Fri	Closed
Nov 27	Sat	Closed

Mega Trivia Contest!

Who Else Wants to **Win a \$50 gift card** towards dinner for two at TGI Fridays or Olive Garden? **Take our Trivia Challenge and you could win too!**

This month's Mega Trivia question....

What is the only mammal that can fly? A) squirrel B) monkey C) bat

Take your best guess and e-mail your answer to MarkJr@CreativeCarpetInc.com. Or call Mark Jr. at **(708) 479-8600**. Your chances of winning are better than you think!

Answer to last months quiz: Chocolate

Congratulations to last month's winner:

Kay Morris

5 Secrets of Staying Well

We all know these secrets; it's just that we don't pay as much attention to them as we should for our own peace of mind and quality of life.

Eat properly: You know the drill, lots of fruit & vegetables, easy on the meat and carbs, avoid junk except for the occasional treat.

Exercise: It doesn't take all that much - just a half an hour three times a week can make a huge difference. If you can't afford a gym membership, walk and exercise at home.

Drink water: Although the 8 glasses a day recommendation seems to have gone by the wayside, you still need an adequate amount each day - especially if you drink coffee, tea or alcohol, which can dehydrate you.

Get enough sleep: Somewhere between 6 and 9 hours is optimal; too much or too little sleep can damage your health.

Enjoy yourself: Stress can do a lot of harm to your general well-being. We all have stresses to deal with, but how you cope has a lot to do with attitude. No matter how busy you might be, try to take a few minutes a day just for yourself. Think about the things in your life that bring you joy, for which you are grateful. Those few moments of peace can literally ease your heart.



Moneywise

When is a Bargain not a Bargain?

- You bought 100 widgets because you got a great deal on volume, but you only use 3 widgets a year
- You bought a beautiful pair of red leather pumps, but you already have at least 300 pairs of shoes
- You bought an article for a great reduced price, but it's not something you'll realistically use
- You bought a wonderful item at a terrific price, but you can't afford to pay your rent

So here are some questions to ask yourself before you pull out that wallet:

- Do you have the discretionary money to spend?
- Do you know for sure this is the lowest price you can find for this item?
- Do you already have one at home?
- Do you need that new widget just because it's new, or is the one you already have perfectly OK?
- Will you keep it or will it end up in your next yard sale?

Get A Night Out At The Movies For 2 With My Referral Rewards Program

As you probably know, advertising is very expensive. Instead of paying the newspaper or other place to advertise, I'd rather reward you. So I've assembled my **Referral Rewards Program**. Every time you refer someone who becomes a client, I will send you a gift certificate for two passes to the Marcus Theater. And Hey! What's a movie without popcorn? The gift certificate will also cover a big box of hot, buttered popcorn and sodas!



Work Tips: Handy Keyboard Shortcuts

If you are working with Word documents, you may find these keyboard shortcuts save you a lot of time and effort:

The secret to these shortcuts is the Control key, often marked Ctrl and found in the bottom right & left corners of your keyboard.

Simply use your Control key, and you can save time clicking on the icons in Word.

Ctrl + B	turns bold font on or off
Ctrl + U	turns underline on or off
Ctrl + I	turns italics on or off

If you want to move sections of your document around, select part of the document, then use these functions:

Ctrl + C	copies the selected passage to the clipboard
Ctrl + V	copies the contents of the clipboard into your document
Ctrl + X	cuts the selected passage out of the document and copies it to the clipboard
Ctrl + A	copies the entire document

One of your best friends might be this last one:

Ctrl + F	find and replace – find every instance of a word or phrase on a page & replace it if you choose
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Food Pantry Suggestions

Check out the yellow insert for our food drive promo this month.

APPLE SAUCE, BAGS: GARBAGE-KITCHEN, BODY LOTIONS,
 CANNED MEAT, CEREAL, COFFEE, COOKIES, CUP-O-SOUP,
 DEODORANT (MENS & WOMENS),
 FOIL & OTHER WRAPS, FRUIT SNACKS, GRAVIES & MIXES, HOT
 COCOA MIX, JUICE BOXES, KLEENEX, LAUNDRY PRODUCTS,
 MAYONNAISE, MUSTARD, OI & VINEGAR, PANCAKE MIX
 PAPER TOWELS, PASTA SAUCE (JARS), PICKLES, POPCORN,
 DRY MASHED POTATOES, SALT/PEPPER, SHAVING CREAM,
 SNACKS: CHIPS, PRETZELS, STUFFING, SYRUP, TUNA,
 TOOTHPASTE, BABY PRODUCTS: WIPES WASH, DIAPERS, ETC.
 PASTA, CLEANING PRODUCTS, COFFEE CREAMER (NON-DAIRY),
 CRACKERS, DENTA FLOSS, DISH SOAP, CAKE FROSTING,
 GRANOLA BARS, HAMBURGER HELPER, INSTANT POWDERED MILK,
 KETCHUP, KOOL-AID, LUNCH BOX SNACKS, MOUTHWASH,
 OATMEAL, OLIVES, PAPER PLATES AND NAPKINS,
 PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY



NEW FRIENDS & CLIENTS

Jeanne Coleman
 Denise Arkus
 Kevin & Christina Shirley
 Charly Kavner
 Al & Kim Tumas
 Dan & Katie Penwitt
 Sue Clowes
 Steve & Tami Kiemel
 Lisa Slovin
 Vern & Melanie Fischer
 Sam Bettenhausen
 Mary Hogan
 Cheryl Harnish
 Susan Para
 Valerie Matkaitis
 Mark & Jennifer Petschke
 Jim Salvatori
 Dan Fahrner
 Nate & Erika Mowrey

Welcome back to our returning clients...

Tina Fingl
 John & Cindy Cumbee
 Charlene Meyers
 Shari Peck
 Judy Jacobson
 Kent Buteyn
 Jim & Gloria Belonax
 Pam McGregor
 Bill Studor
 Barb Lorenz
 Courtney Doyle

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

Bill Jankowski
 Dan & Vicki Norgard
 Diane Mucia
 Erica Cullen
 Jan Sabey
 Kathy Studenroth
 Pat Hennessy
 Paul Pichler

Enjoy your \$25 gift card to Marcus Theater for the referral!

5 Family Traditions for Thanksgiving

- Cook the Thanksgiving feast together.
- Take time to say a word of Thanksgiving
- Make up a game to play at the dinner table or after dinner
- Have an annual "Thanksgiving movie night."
- Help out at a local food bank or homeless shelter

Thanks for the kind words!

Dear Mark,

I must compliment you and your staff first on the knowledge of your product/warranty etc.

The professionalism displayed by your installers was excellent. They really payed attention to detail and were very neat in their clean up.

Thanks for making this a very positive experience for my wife and myself.

I would gladly recommend your company to our friends and family. Nice job!

Sincerely,

-Dennis and Tammy Boardman



Recipe Corner

Scalloped Corn

Prep Time: 10 minutes **Cook Time:** 30 minutes

Ingredients:

- 1 egg
- Salt to taste
- Pepper to taste
- 1 can (15 ounce) cream-style corn
- 1 can (15 ounce) golden whole kernel corn (drained, but reserve 3 tablespoons liquid)
- Butter or margarine
- 1/3 cup half and half (milk and cream)
- 24 to 30 soda crackers, crushed (reserve an adequate amount for topping)

Preparation:

Beat egg in a bowl with a fork until frothy. Blend in seasoning, reserved liquid and corn. Add chunks of butter (about 2 tablespoons) cream and cracker crumbs; mix well.

Turn into buttered 1 quart casserole.

Top with reserved crumbs and dot generously with butter. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes



Turkey Talk:

- What key has legs and can't open doors? A Turkey
- Why can't you take a turkey to church? It uses fowl language.
- Can a turkey jump higher than the Empire State Building? Yes, because a building can't jump at all.
- What did the mama turkey say to her naughty son? "If your father could see you now, he'd turn over in his gravy."

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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