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A PROGRESS REPORT

by Don Beuthel

In the last issue of the *Scribblings* you read about the acquisition of the new building for the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library. By now, I'm sure that many of you have been wondering what

has been going on.

We took possession of the building on May 1st and since that time have been working to remodel the facility. Only those of you who saw the building in the condition it was when we took over can fully appreciate how far we have come in two months. On that first Saturday morning when several of us started the remodeling, the task seemed almost overwhelming. The first job was to repair the roof. This was done professionally and finished on a Thursday and received a true test since we had heavy rains on the next several days. We were most pleased to find no leaks and that the new drain system was working as planned.

After the roof was finished we could start with the interior. We have been most fortunate to have had some dedicated and talented volunteers who have stepped forward and took the renovation as a challenge. Foremost among those volunteers has been Steve Schweighofer who has been there so much that it seems that he has been living at the building. In another issue we will publish a list of all

of the other volunteers who have helped.

What has been accomplished? We have cleaned out all of the old carpeting. We have taken out several walls and put in several walls. We have repaired the concrete floors. We have taken out all of the ceiling tiles, painted them and replaced them after cleaning and painting the grids. Much work had to be done to make the grid system on one level. We have replaced many of the light fixtures and thanks to Wayne Anderson all of the lights now are not on one line allowing us to put all four bulbs in the fixtures giving us a nice, bright room. All of the smooth walls have been textured and by the time you receive this all of the painting that has to be done before carpeting is laid will have been completed. At least two coats were needed on all walls. The "kitchenette" area is being reworked with new counter-tops, new sink, and new plumbing fixtures. The carpeting has been ordered and should be laid in the next several weeks. Mini blinds have been ordered for the windows and should be installed by the time you receive this.

FUTURE PLANS - THE BIG MOVE WE NEED HELP!

We have set Saturday, July 20th as the big moving day. At this time the counters, desks, shelves, couches, chairs – all big items will be moved. We are fortunate to be able to borrow a truck to use for this. We are going to need some able bodied persons for that day. Are you available and willing to exercise the muscles?? If so please call Bill Dunn at 321-8746 and leave a message. He will get back to you.

If we can, prior to that date, we will start moving some of the smaller items such as boxes, etc. to get them out of the way so we can get to

the larger items in the storage area.

After we get it all moved on the 20th we will need a crew of people to unpack the boxes of books and periodicals and get them properly arranged on the shelves. We will have only two weeks to accomplish this. In all probability we will be working every day from July 20th on. Are you willing to help with this?? If so please call 755-9328 and leave a message that you will help to unpack - try to indicate which days you think you would be available to work and you will be contacted as we get closer to the date.

GRAND RE-OPENING AND OPEN HOUSE FOR THE NEW BUILDING

The Grand Re-opening of the RMPL is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 3rd from 12 - 4. This will be followed by an Open House on Sunday, August 4th from 1- 4. You are invited to attend whenever convenient. The Saturday event will be highlighted by a Ribbon Cutting, the normal short speeches, honoring the remodeling volunteers, possibly a mini-auction, and refreshments. Refreshments will be available at the Sunday Open House, also. Please try to attend. You will be receiving detailed information later. We are so proud of what has been accomplished and we want to share it with you.



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I'M A PROUD OWNER PROGRAM - THERE IS STILL TIME TO HELP!!!

At ROMPEX we had a fund raiser that we call the "Proud Owner Program". We sold square yards of carpet in our new building at \$10 each. Each purchaser was allowed to select the location of their square yard and received a certificate indicating the location and the rules of ownership. While this proved to be quite successful there are still a few locations available. Your square yard of carpet may be purchased at the RMPL Reopening or Open House or by mail. Send in your \$10. We will select a location for you and send you your Proud Owners Certificate. Be a Proud Owner!! Then come to visit your square yard.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

After we open on August 3rd we are going to need Volunteers to keep the RMPL open. Our present plans are to continue being open three days per week, as we were previously - Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays with the hours of operation to be set as we get closer to the date. As more Volunteers become available and we can train them, we will look at opening on other days. To staff the RMPL for the three day week we will need 12 volunteers on a regular basis. We like to have 2 persons on duty at one time and they generally work 3 hour shifts. If you are interested in serving as a Volunteer please call 755-9328 and leave a message indicating what day you would prefer. If you are not able to serve on the days mentioned but would be willing to serve on another day, or if you can't do it on a regular basis but would be willing to serve as a Substitute Volunteer please call, also. We hope that all of our previous Volunteers will want to continue the fine job they were doing.

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http://www. is a new column coming to Scribblings in the next edition. If you know what it means send your response to RMPL@aol.com. along with your favorite philatelic site address.

You might win a prize!

p.s. If you are online-check out an RMPL members site. Plase, let them know how you like it.

http://www.collectors-mall.com/

RMPL WISH LIST

Items that are needed as we move into the new building include-

VCR

Vacuum Cleaner (in operating condition)

Mint US stamps for mailings

(including precancelled and special use stamps - we can get a permit to use them) A mobile TV and Video Cart

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