

ANA LIBRARY INSTALLS NEW BOOKSHELVES, AS RENOVATION CONTINUES

New rolling bookshelves have been installed in the American Numismatic Association's (ANA) Library in Colorado Springs, Colorado, as work continues on the \$3 million renovation of the ANA Library and Money Museum.

"The mechanical bookshelves, which were installed in the lower level of the ANA's library, will increase exponentially the amount of material that can be stored on conventional library shelving," says Librarian Nancy Green.

The nine new bookshelves from Spacesaver roll on tracks built into the floor. At first glance, the shelves look like an extension of the wall because they slide right up against one another. However, the shelves can be moved as a unit, or separated by cranking what looks like a spin opener on a safe. A stack can be moved away from the others to reveal a temporary four-foot aisle, instead of a permanent aisle between each stack. This aisle provides plenty of room for any browser to locate materials. The stacks also are equipped with safety devices, to protect users and enhance useability.

The moveable shelving offers access to the frequently used valuable auction catalogs, according to Green. The first books that were placed on these shelves were catalogs from ANA sales.

The ANA is conducting a fund drive to raise donations for the mechanical bookshelves as well as the rest of the remodeling project.

"The new shelves are such a time and space saver that hopefully donors will recognize the necessity of the remodeling," says Green.

When finished this summer, the renovated ANA Money Museum and Library will stimulate visitors' interest in numismatics with intriguing windows on the worlds of history, art, geography, religion, economics, sociology and architecture. In addition, the ANA web site (www.money.org) will feature virtual exhibits based on the ever-changing displays in the museum.

The Association's fund drive - ANA Target 2001 - has several contribution categories: Platinum (\$10,000+), Gold (\$5,000+), Silver (\$1,000+), Bronze (\$500+), and Copper (\$25+).

Donations of numismatic material and securities valued at \$500 or more will be accepted; the museum may retain the items for its collection or they will consign them for sale. Contributions can be made by their credit card (VISA, MasterCard, American Express or Discover) and payments can be spread out over a two-year period. Donors who obtain matching funds from their employers or other organizations will be credited with the total donation amount.

To make a donation, contact the American Numismatic Association, 818 N. Cascade Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903-3279; telephone 719/632-2646; fax 719/634-4085; e-mail rochette@money.org.

For more information about ANA Target 2001, contact ANA Governor Barry Stuppler at 5855 Topanga Canyon Blvd., #330, Woodland Hills, CA 91367; fax 818/594-8599; or e-mail ANA2001@coinmag.com.

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