



The Renovation News

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RECENT PROGRESS: This past month has seen considerable progress on the renovation, with large and visible changes to the basement, the Fellowship Hall wing, and the center entranceway on the first floor. A Saturday "painting party" early in the month organized by



Mike Kuhlkin at Work

Cindy Anderson brought out 20-25 brushers and rollers who finished the painting in the basement and some of the first floor areas. Ceiling tile has also been installed in the basement, the Choir Room and the hallway on the first floor, and the basement carpet has been laid. The basement is now nearly completed - only one room, the restrooms, and some trim remain to be done. All of this was completed in time for the start of Sunday School. **MANY THANKS TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS AND TO THE TIMELY WORK OF THE CEILING AND CARPET INSTALLERS!** We now have a wonderful facility in the new basement, and, with the record size of our Sunday School program, it is all being used. Already we are finding it necessary to plan for the dividing of each of the two large basement classrooms into two with

partitions. Ultimately, each of these rooms will be fitted with folding walls.

The Fellowship Hall is nearing completion. The ceiling light fixtures are in, the ceiling painting is completed, and the primer is on the walls. We want to especially thank Dan Sheldon and Will Townsend for getting the light fixtures in, and Julen Hebert for his excellent professional drywall finishing work that has made our volunteer drywall installation look so good.



Pizza Break for the Painters

The biggest change this past month, however, has been the opening up of the new center entranceway. Rick Stacy, with any volunteers he can grab, has taken out the old front wall, installed some temporary stairs to the basement, and moved the old stairs to the second floor to the new location. Both sets of stairs will be replaced with new ones before the work is finished. On the second floor, the space where Mike Kuhlkin's old office and the small storeroom were is



Rick Stacy at Work in the New Center Area

being opened up to give us a new office or classroom. Much more work remains in this new center entrance to our church, and when finished, we will have a spacious and beautiful gathering and fellowship area. (Don't forget to admire the new front doors with their side windows and the half-round window at the top - they are beautifully finished.)

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:
Total expenses to date are shown in the table below. Our loan with the Bank of Castile is \$250,000. The Wish List which has been published several times has elicited some very generous support. Gifts

totaling nearly \$5000 have been pledged to support the cost of the new center doors and the half-round window over it, the half-round window over the Fellowship Hall doors, and the lighting that will illuminate the two interior stained-glass windows.

Basement Contractor	39,098.00	General Lumber	9,365.35
Basement Materials	29,684.54	General Material:	5,394.79
Doran-Yarrington Architects	34,539.73	Handicapped Lift	11,100.00
Preliminary Arch. & Eng. Studies	7,840.00	Heating System	55,894.14
Electrical Work	37,088.72	Kitchen Equipmen	795.69
Fellowship Hall Labor	2,771.50	Loan Interest	17,488.41
Fellowship Hall Materials	21,547.62	Management	15,533.44
Finishing Labor	6,516.00	Miscellaneous	2,676.09
Finishing Materials	8,659.34	Plumbing	12,627.55
Front Entry Extension	9,651.74	Rear Entryway	3,238.00
		Total	\$331,510.65

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