CURATOR'S COLUMN

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CARRY ON …
The Computer Museum of America will continue to do the vital work of preserving and displaying computer history – only the name will change. San Diego Computer Museum is more accurate in terms of our collection focus and location. Artifacts collected over the past 20-plus years have primarily reflected the culture of computing in southern California, including many of our one-of-a-kind items. And, we want San Diego County to always be our home.

It was with the support of the Coleman Foundation that the CMA was able to grow and flourish over the past ten years. Their investment in the Museum's future cannot be under-estimated and we will always be grateful to all they have done and will continue to do.

In order to accomplish all that needs to be done in the coming weeks and months, your help will make a great impact. Public support is crucial to keep the museum going and in the search for a new home. What can you do? Here are some suggestions:

1) **Volunteer** – we will need a lot of volunteer support to relocate and re-open. Getting involved in one aspect or another of the new museum will directly aid in our reaching these goals.
2) **Become a donor/member –** All donations are tax-deductible and after our transition to a new home, all donors will become members in our first year of operation. Remember that many employers will match your donations.
3) **Spread the word** – support and opportunities can evolve from a variety of contacts and resources. Public officials and elected representatives are aware of many programs and avenues of support. Keep informed about our progress by checking our web site.
4) **Visit the Museum** – Bring your friends, family, boss, company, school or civic group for a visit. You can arrange a visit by calling 619-464-8220 or via email at dweil@computer-museum.org .
5) **Keep in touch** – Your ideas, suggestions and community contacts can be an effective way of letting us know about the possibilities.

Together, we can make the new San Diego Computer Museum a cultural asset that our community and future generations of San Diegans will be proud of.

WE NEED YOU !!!

SUPPORT THE SAN DIEGO COMPUTER MUSEUM – BECOME A MEMBER / SPONSOR. Please complete the following information, then clip and return with your payment. Make checks payable to **San Diego Computer Museum**. For more information please call: (619) 464-8220.

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