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Alan,

Thanks for the update. The \$1.50 per slide price makes me feel better. I was afraid I couldn't compete. He has a scanner with a 50-slide feeder, right? Did you see what the brand was?

Slide cleaning is a problem. In my research on the Internet, one guy said don't bother - make the repairs in Photoshop. I have an air cleaner Carol bought for a brief job she had where there were several smokers. I set that up in my home office and run it when I am working with slides. And I brush the slides with little soft brush I bought for cleaning my camera lens.

But I haven't done any scanning for weeks, and don't intend to until I get a faster computer. That will have to wait until we see if we have any money left after Carol gets her neurofeedback business set up. She had a great time at the training in New York. Sounds to me like half the time was spent on neurofeedback, half on holistic medicine bullshit. Like learning how to breathe properly.

This afternoon Carol is going to undergo an endoscopy to see if they can find anything wrong with her esophagus and stomach.

We finally got moved into our new office building. It didn't go as smoothly as planned. We were supposed to have 2 days off while they moved our stuff. We packed everything up, then the building inspector refused to approve it for occupancy. So we were off a whole week. We've been in now since the 8th, but there is still a lot that has not been finished. Several tradesmen are still working in the building. It will be quite a place when finished. It's nice to have a \$4 billion taxpayer-supported fund to work with.

Any plans for Memorial Day weekend? Looks like it will be warm, but rainy. We've considered going to Ludington, but made no reservations yet. I went up north the weekend Carol was in New York. The weather was beautiful. I did some wandering along the Manistee River and in the Nordhouse Dunes. Saw some birds, but have since seen the same birds in our back yard.

Steve