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AROUND THE AREA Royal Theater heeds omens, to open later

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GUADALUPE — Opening on Friday the 13th — and with a movie about a doomed ship — didn't sound like the best way to reopen Guadalupe's Royal Theater.

Turns out, it wasn't.

The theater will not reopen under new management tonight as the moviehouse as has been announcing on its neon marque.

Electrical work on the building was not complete in time, according

to the managers.

Opening night now is scheduled for Feb. 20. As was planned for tonight, the Royal hopes to show the movie "Titanic" the first night.

The moviehouse has been closed since December while the old managers decided what to do with the

fledgling business.

In January, Jim Dee, owner of San Luis Obispo's Palm Theater, took over the lease and has been further renovating the building.