

2019 WPRM Accomplishments

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- 2019 WP Historic Calendars - were published.
- Steam Department - WP165 is moving along. Accomplishments included: injectors and piping, firing valve, smoke box cover, super heaters and new boiler tubes and filling the boiler for the first test for leaks. Steam crew was very busy.
- WP55069 Reefer Car - The society was able to save WP 55069 wooden reefer car and move it to the Santa Clara Fairgrounds where it is now under restoration.
- 2019 Rotary Run - The first SP208 Rotary Snow Plow event was held March 22nd with a sold out snow plow seats to members and guests got to ride while the snow plow made a few runs around the balloon track.
- WP Historical/NMRA/PCR Joint Convention - We held the annual WP Convention in Sacramento with a special CZ theme, a special 70th Anniversary California Zephyr issue (similar to a Headlight magazine) was published and the CZ Zephyrettes Reunion and Program occurred.
- Community Talks - Eugene Vicknair spoke at several community events in Graeagle, Mohawk Community Center and the Plumas County Museum.
- WP 1503 - Received a new paint job, received new radiators, received some electrical work and returned to train service.
- Graeagle Independence Day July 7th 2019 - We hosted a FRRS/WPRM booth with display and membership information.
- Lionel Train Collectors Club Convention/Meet - In July we hosted 216 people at the museum for tours of the museum.
- Archive Car - The archive car received a new HVAC system. This system will heat, cool and humidify the car to protect our archive material. We received several high profile members photo/slide collections this year. Watch for more information to come as we get these inventoried.
- Congressman Doug LaMalfa - Held one of his Town Hall meeting at the museum.
- WP Celebration - Not to take the place of Portola Railroad Days (there was none in 2019), the WPRM held the first WP Celebration at the museum August 3rd and 4th. This included train rides on the caboose train, guided tours and the Nevada Gunfighters provided entertainment.
- Pumpkin Trains - held in October over two weekends.
- Santa Trains - held in December over five nights.
- SN 1642 - Caboose exterior restoration

Not to forget our:

Webmaster for keeping our website up to date.

RAL Coordinator and RAL Engineers for keeping the program going

The caboose train crewmembers for their work.

Four issues of the *Train Sheet* were published per schedule.

And ALL the volunteers who help all the time no matter what is taking place.