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The Western Pacific played a major role in developing the economy of Plumas County and the surrounding region. The Western Pacific Railroad Museum is proud to be a part of that heritage and to hold a position in supporting the ongoing economic health of our community. We welcome the support of that community in return. Helping to preserve the Western Pacific is good for tourism, good for our regional culture and good for business.

We ask our members and visitors to support our business sponsors, companies who have generously contributed to the museum and its mission to preserve the Western Pacific family.

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Western Pacific Celebration 2023

- Eugene Vicknair

On Saturday, May 20th, as a prelude to the opening of the regular operating season, the museum held its annual Western Pacific Celebration. Due to the various events that had been held the week before, including Media Day, the SP Convention visit and the Motor Car event on May 14th, the museum had seen a lot of cleaning and reorganizing, as well as shuffling of equipment in the yard. This made for a great setup to welcome visitors and show off the facility.

While the original plan was for trains to be headed by WP 0-6-0 165, several factors kept the 165 in the shop. Instead, WP SW1500 1503 got the honors and led the caboose trains for the day. Visitors got a chance to tour several pieces of open equipment and get up close with some of our newer acquisitions, such as Western Pacific 1910-built coach first 302 which arrived last October and WP boxcar 61180, donated last year by the hospital in Chester.

Several docent tours were given by Eugene Vicknair, showing museum guests some of the key pieces of the collection and sharing details of WP history. We also had some of our new banners up which showcase information on several of our pieces of rolling stock, most notably WP business car 106, the "Charles O. Sweetwood" and WP 165.

We received a nice dose of promotion for the WP Celebration from Graeagle.com and radio station KSUE. Thank you to Big Fish Creations for helping with the promotion.



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