

**New Roof Over Our Heads!
New Floor Under our Feet!**

- Greg Elems & Janet Steeper

We had some roofers from D&D Roofing come onsite in May and did a fast and efficient job of patching and fixing the roof. A bit of good news on that is, it came in several hundred dollars under the quote. We are now in line for the roofers to come and finish the job with the coating that will help in reflecting the sun and make it completely water tight. It's been 2 decades since they put the last coating on.

We have a new floor in the Museum Store thanks to High Desert Prep Inc., out of Sparks, Nevada. Work was started on Monday, June 21st. Everyone will recall the sad condition of the old red floor. This new epoxy floor was completed on Thursday, June 24th. The floor was ground and patched the first two days, then coated with two coats of dark grey epoxy and a non-slip additive. I want to give a shout out to Charlie Spikes and Bob Sims for gate duty thereby making the process run more smoothly. High Desert Prep managed to make silk purse out of a sow's ear.



Museum Store floor completely primed on 6/22/21. Base coat will be applied next.

- Photo by Greg Elems

We are putting in new show cases and merchandise over the next few weeks. We will have more news later on the store rebirth, and thanks will be going out to everyone who helped.

Origin of WP Medallion

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Thirty-eight years ago, Charles Frederick Craig, now assistant to the general manager, designed the Western Pacific medallion which has been in use ever since. In 1910, when Western Pacific began operations, Charlie's artistic ability went to work and, using the Feather River route motif, he came up with a medallion which has stood the test of the years. The medallion's background is black, with imposing white letters top and bottom spelling out



Western Pacific. A circular center section spells out Feather River Route and is pierced by a red feather.

Within the past couple of years, Charlie designed a companion Safety First medallion closely resembling the WP medallion. In fact, at first glance, the difference is often missed. Charlie Craig came to the Western Pacific from the Northern Pacific thirty-nine years ago and we thought it about time he received proper credit as the author of our identifying medallion.

