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President's Pin

- Greg Elems

The year of 2022 is drawing to a close. We had some major accomplishments this year, with the arrival of a boxcar and passenger car. Our



steam program closed out in October with a great weekend of steam operation during our last Pumpkin Express. Santa Train returned, and the weather did not cooperate too well for the first two weekends.

There are ongoing projects as well as new ones to pique your interest. Two projects, the repainting of WP 705 and SN 1642, are still in need of preparation work for the final coat of paint. The two latest cars to arrive are in need of some TLC. The biggest project is our new passenger car. "New" being relative, since it was built in 1910, and is one of WP's first passenger cars on the railroad.

This year a truckload of ties was purchased with ties for our switches. Regular ties were purchased also, so we're working on a schedule for getting them installed on the lead from the sewer crossing to the east gate. It is time to replace the ties in the switches.

Along with the ties, we purchased ballast this year. Roger Stabler has been working on the tie tamper. The goal for us, this coming year is to finish ballasting and tamping the balloon track and dress up the east lead.

On a personal note, I've been tied up with family business and hopefully by spring of 2023 I'll once again be able to spend more time at the museum.

I would like to wish everyone a happy holiday season and look forward to our new season with more members being comfortable in joining in our many and varied projects.

