

Depot Report for April 2025

Restoration

Awaiting a contract from Avista to install the new underground line and transformer. All other electrical work is on schedule to begin in June. The Restoration Committee has reviewed Max's estimates on the start of interior work which comes to over \$600,000. We are considering tearing our one corridor wall and the two false ceilings and all the unnecessary wiring in a portion of the waiting room to expose the original ceiling and determine how much lathe and plaster repairs will be needed.

Grants

Three grant requests for train car restoration have been submitted. We are looking at a possible one from Avista.

Events

Plans are being completed for the annual Vintage Quilt Show. New folks have donated quilts to be displayed. The dates are Saturday April 26, May 3 and May 10.

Directors Report

The contractor for the Perkins house project fell through. Krista and I met with him last April, but now he is full time with St. Ignatius and can't do our project. Nancy Rothwell contacted the contractors that did our foundation project. They are going to come and give us a bid this month. The Palouse Museum event has sold out. I got all the tickets processed. Carol and I will help on the night of the event so that people can pay with credit cards for raffle tickets and donations. Lost apple scion sales have slowed down a bit. I got all of those processed also. We have had lots of people donating items again. But some of the items we have turned away due to the size and that they don't have any history with Whitman County. The Perkins house is full. So we can not take big items anymore.