



# The LANTERN

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NEXT MEETING

Nov 16, 2004

Myers Park

## BBMRA Present at North Florida Fair

The BBMRA was present at the North Florida Fair with the N-Scale layout in a "J" shape. Two new industrial modules were added this year to form a complete landscape of farm life, city, open space for mountains and forest with lumbering, and the new industrial area.

The layout was placed in the front of the 4-H building and served as a draw for the exhibits. Many people admired the trains running on the forty-foot layout and learned about trains and scenery. Some visitors asked about the HO layout from past years.

The layout was staffed with three to seven people most of the time. With the assistance of many HO-Division and large-scale members it was truly a club project. The group ran as many as four trains at a time on the analog (DC) system. Everyone who brought N-scale

equipment had a chance to run trains. Garth Easton, N-scale Division Director, expressed his appreciation to all the members who helped.

We placed membership forms on the front table and we ran out several times, so we may have a number of new members and visitors at the November meeting.

## November Meeting

The next meeting is November 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Community Room of Myers Park. The program will be layout **Christmas lighting** and decorating by Sam Miller and a **swap meet** after Sam's presentation. See you there!

## December Meeting

The December Meeting will be at Sam Miller's home, 3008 Stilwood Cr. with food provided by the Millers. If you wish to bring something please call Sam at 385-7733 to coordinate the menu.

## Dothan Show

The hurricane postponed Show and sale will occur on December 11-12 at the National Peanut Festival Fairgrounds, 5622 U.S. Highway 231 S., open Saturday from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. and Sunday 10:00 am until 4:00 pm. The cost is \$4.00 for adults and children under 12 are free.

## To The Mall!

Rumors! Rumors! Rumors! Rumors! There are all kinds of rumors and some facts running through the membership about what is happening with the Tallahassee Mall. The mall management has shown the mall storefront to some prospective full pay renters but they have not signed a lease at this time. The BBMRA Board began to prepare to move and find a permanent home several months ago. We will update the membership at the November meeting.