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November 20th MEETING, the OLD Tallahassee Antique Car Museum

The new Tallahassee Antique Car Museum is still not ready. Therefore, the November 20th meeting will be held at the OLD Tallahassee Antique Car Museum on Mahan Drive just east of the intersection of Capital Circle and Mahan Drive. The meeting will begin with a catered dinner at 6:45 and continue with a regular meeting at 7:30.

Menu: tossed salad, fried chicken, potato salad, 2 vegetables, yeast rolls, banana pudding and a drink, all for \$6.50 per person.

We need as good a body count as possible, so please RSVP to John Sullenberger by Monday, November 19th: he can be reached by telephone at (850) 562-5137 (h) or (850) 544-1870 (c) or via e-mail at sullyjws@aol.com.

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Antique Car Museum Update:

Barrett sent the BBMRA's proposed operating agreement to Mr. Moore. Mr. Moore responded that he had no substantive problems with the agreement, but he would like the BBMRA to specify the amount of space we want. Each Division will submit a space request/requirement. The proposal will be presented to the membership for discussion.

Minutes of October 2007 BBMRA Membership Meeting

The October 16, 2007 membership meeting was called to order by President Barrett Johnson at 7:30 p.m. at the **Antique Car Museum**. Forty-two (42) members were present.

Minutes: Minutes of the September 2007 meeting, as published in *The Lantern*, were accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Lyn Heath reporting for Bill Boyle stated the BBMRA has a balance of \$3236.94 in the budget as of this date. A check was sent to the Panama City Club for \$100.00 on September 28, 2007, as a deposit in good faith for the layout modules. Budget report was accepted without objection.

Division Reports:

N Scale: Garth Easton reported nothing new at this time.

HO Scale: Sam Miller reported everything is on hold due to working out the details for the Antique Car Museum. Sam says the Panama City Club has offered to come over and help set up the modules that are being purchased. He said once everything gets started it's going to be a real frenzy.

Large Scale: Ken Brock reported they are working on a project but nothing to report at this time. Randy Lombardo said he would like to take Thomas to the Carrabelle and Lloyd events.

Veteran's Memorial – Bristol: John Anthamatten reported work on the steam locomotive is progressing but they lost their inmate labor crew due to the budget cut backs but believe they will be getting a new crew soon. The service building is complete except for the station museum. The Halloween fund raiser – best known to all as the "Spooktacular" – will be held this year on October 26, 27 and 31 from dusk until. John announced that Tom Keenan sold his 7 ½ inch gauge train.

Good of the Group Comments, Etc.:

Guests:
Jim Amidon introduced his guest and friend of 37 years, Hank Hacker, a garden railroader. We also welcomed our newest member Bob Bull. Bob is retired from the FHP and is an O gauge model railroader.



John Sullenberger discussed the two events we have been invited to in Carrabelle and Lloyd. He went over the different activities that will be taking place at the events. The Carrabelle event is a Christmas Festival to be held on December 8th. The Lloyd event will be held on November 10th. John will let the organizers for these events know if we are interested in participating or not.

Sam Miller announced the Christmas party he and his wife hold each year will be on Friday, December 14th this year. Everyone is invited to come and have a great time.

Barrett announced the Board had decided not to host the NMRA Convention this coming year. The Board came to the conclusion that with the Antique Car Museum coming on track BBMRA could not concentrate on both and do them both justice. Barrett said the Ocala Club made a \$3500.00 profit when they hosted the Convention.

Antique Car Museum Update:

Barrett announced the Museum is in the process of moving stuff from the old building to the new one and DeVoe would love to have anyone that can help with the move. If you are interested go see DeVoe at the New Museum between 7:00 am and 5:30 pm. Let him know you are a member of the BBMRA. Barrett says the cars are going to be moved last and they need help moving the small stuff right now.

Barrett announced our next meeting will be held in the Banquet Room of the "new" Antique Car Museum and would like everyone to get there early so we can decide where stuff will go, etc. Before any decisions are made, however, there will be a vote by members. Everyone needs to try to make the next meeting so we can decide if we can or can't make this work.

John Anthamatten asked if we have a legal agreement/contract with DeVoe to protect BBMRA in case something happens to him and his family sells the Museum. Barrett said he has sent several written suggestions but has received no response from DeVoe as of today. He feels DeVoe is concentrating solely on the move at this time.

Drew Hackmeyer asked Barrett to give a brief overview of the proposed agreement. Barrett said it would be better to provide what has been proposed thus far through e-mail. John Sullenberger suggested Barrett send it to him to be published in the Lantern so more members will have an opportunity to look it over.

Dan King brought up the fact if our website were more functional it would be a great place to put things like this out there for everyone to view at their leisure.

Barrett listed some items that would need to be covered, such as; security for BBMRA property, individual lockers (so things could be stored rather than taken back and forth), ropes to prevent children from handling the layout, timeframe spelled out (we are there to run the layout when we want to be), concern over theft of museum property (we are not there when they are not there) – even though there are 32 cameras on site. These are just some of the things that will need to be covered.

Program:

Jim McGill and John Edrington provided a DVD presentation of the Misty Mountain Model Railroad in Blairsville, Georgia, for our entertainment during dinner. Everyone really enjoyed watching and commenting on the amazing detail, time and workmanship that went into creating this wonderful layout.

Jim and John also provided, for our program, a DVD presentation on Weathering Structures with Water Color. They have asked if anyone has any requests or suggestions for future presentations to please let them know. Members commented they had been making great selections, and the surprise and anticipation of what they would present next was great.

Once again we thank Jim and John for all the time they take in coming up with entertainment during dinner and programs that provide useful information.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be at 7:30p.m., Tuesday, November 20, 2007, in the Banquet Room at the old Antique Car Museum. Dinner will be catered again for \$6.50 at 6:30p.m. The main course will be fried chicken. Please contact John Sullenberger if you plan to eat dinner so he or Barrett can give the caterer a headcount.

TALLAHASSEE MODEL RAILROAD SHOW & SALE

Saturday, June 21st, 2008 -- North Florida Fairgrounds, Building #4 -- 10 am to 5 pm

Admission: Adults & children 13 and older: \$5 -- Children 12 and younger are Free -- Free Parking

