



# THE Lantern

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## October 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting at the old Tallahassee Antique Car Museum

The old Tallahassee Antique Car Museum is located on Mahan Drive just east of the intersection of Capital Circle and Mahan Drive (across from the McDonalds in the Wal-Mart parking lot). The meeting will begin at 7:30 pm.

## A Railroad Atlas of the United States in 1946 presented by Andy Millott

Andy will introduce Richard Carpenter's book "A railroad atlas of the United States in 1946;" explain uses for the book; explain how to use the book (i.e. how everything is labeled, how to locate a town, etc.); give a brief overview of the volumes available and how they are set up.

## Smooth Running Cars presented by David Brazell

David will present information on how to make your rolling stock run smoother on your rails.

## October Crafters Show by Andy Zimmerman

The BBMRA N-Scale Division was invited by Thomasville Baptist Church (via our own Gary Austin) to set up and display our modules for the October Crafters show. We set up on Friday night and arrived Saturday morning at 8 am for some final testing.

At the Crafter show there were a couple of hundred people that passed through and we had had a great time. Once again the Scavenger hunt was a hit. 36 kids tried their hand at locating all of the items as did several adults. Kids and adults alike remained determined and resolute until they located everything.

There were several inquiries into the club, what we are about, where we are located, and how they could become members. One mother described the memories of her father and his train room and how after his passing all of his stuff has been boxed up for 20 years in storage. After observing her sons involvement with the scavenger hunt and his interest in the details of the modules and model railroading in general, she has decided that she would love to see her son using her dad's trains. Her dad loved his trains and now it seems his grandson will too.

We passed out flyers and took e-mails for those who wished to be notified of our show when it is closer. We met lots of people interested in the BBMRA and what we love best of all, Model Railroading!

All and all it was a good day!



## BBMRA Logo Shirt for Sale:

One Big Bend Model Railroad Association shirt is being offered for sale. Roy Mantooth is selling one large beige shirt with the BBMRA club logo for \$10.00. Please contact Roy Mantooth at 422 3038 if you are interested.

## Minutes of the September 2011 BBMRA Meeting

The meeting of September 20, 2011 was called to order at 7:20 pm by President John Sullenberger.

No guests or new members were in attendance.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the August meeting were accepted unanimously and without corrections.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report indicated that we are still in the black.

### Division Reports:

**Small Scale:** No report;

**HO Scale:** No report;

**Large Scale:** the Lionel catalog is in;

**Veteran's Memorial – Bristol:** No report;

**Switching Layout:** will be present at the Junior Museum Fall Farm Day the first Saturday in November;

**Good of the Group Comments:** HO T-Trak standards were discussed.

**Program:** programs and the lack thereof were discussed. We need more volunteers to present something / anything to the club during our meetings.

### Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be at 7:30p.m., Tuesday, November 15, 2011, at the Old Antique Car Museum.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm. Activities continued afterward as trains were run on the N-scale T-Trak modules.

Respectfully submitted by drew Hackmeyer, Secretary

## 2011 Veteran's Memorial Railroad Special Events

**HALLOWEEN Spooktacular Train**  
Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> and Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup>

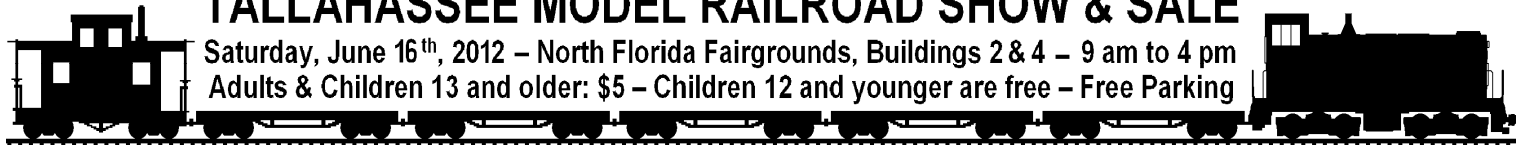
**CHRISTMAS In The park**  
December 10<sup>th</sup> and December 16<sup>th</sup> thru 20<sup>th</sup>

Two trains will be running for both events. In addition, the Crown Steam Train will be featured on December 10<sup>th</sup>, December 17<sup>th</sup> and December 20<sup>th</sup>. Admission: \$3 per person. Call (850) 643-6646 or (850) 643-5491 for additional information.

## T-Tracker's: bring your modules and let's "Run Trains!"

### TALLAHASSEE MODEL RAILROAD SHOW & SALE

Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012 – North Florida Fairgrounds, Buildings 2 & 4 – 9 am to 4 pm  
Adults & Children 13 and older: \$5 – Children 12 and younger are free – Free Parking



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