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Sheldon Harrison Appointed BBMRA Vice President

Sheldon Harrison, one of our club's most popular members, has been appointed vice president by President Andy Zimmerman.

"Sheldon Harrison has agreed to fill the VP position until the July election cycle. As the President I can appoint a replacement and I am asking the Board's approval on this nomination," Andy wrote the board.

Board members promptly ratified the selection.

"Yes, a very good job on this Andy, I am very glad to put my stamp on the approval. I have seen much good in Sheldon. Hope he likes it," Secretary Doug Gyuricsko says.

Albany Train show a Go Once Again

The Flint River Model Railroad Club of Albany, Georgia will present its 23rd Annual Model Train Show & Sale on Saturday, January 24th & Sunday January 25th, 2015 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 2009 Gillionville Rd., Albany, Ga

There was no Albany show last year and it was not clear this wonderful event would be revived, but it has been and is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, January 24-25

This is a small, but high quality, two-day show which in the past has featured lots of used trains and accessories of most scales as well as a good selection of new merchandise. Many of you know Jimmy Swann, the Albany Club's John Sullenberger.

Show hours are Sat. 9am - 5pm / Sun. 10am - 4pm. Admission:\$6.00, under 12 free with an adult. . BBMRA members will be admitted free under the reciprocal agreement between Flint River and BBMRA.

For further info on the show or inquires on table rental Please Contact Jimmie Swann evenings (229) 854-1193 or Jaime Valdez evenings (229) 407-0016

Jacksonville Train Show February 14

The 37th Railroadiana & Model Train Show will be at the Prime Osborn Convention Center, 1000 Water St, Jacksonville FL on February 14 9:00am to 5:00pm. They advertise over 325 tables. Admission is \$8.00. See www.gserr.com for more information.

*** BBMRA Meetings ***

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BBMRA Monthly Meeting

We're Running Trains

Third Tuesday 7:30 p.m.
'Old' Tallahassee Antique Car Museum,
3550 Mahan Drive.

A brief business meeting is scheduled and then the club will operate the T Trak layouts.

February 17, 2015

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3550 Mahan Drive.



Thomas, Timesaver Operating at State Museum January 31

Children's Day at the Museum of Florida History (R.A. Gray Building) has become a regular for BBMRA, usually one of our first setups of the year. January 31, Randy Lombardi represents us with his Thomas the Tank Engine layout and Joe Haley will operate the Timesaver.

This is the 32nd annual Children's day and who know how many years it makes for BBMRA - something John Sullenberger began years ago. The HO Division operated when Sam was HO coordinator; the Timesaver, Randy's Thomas, Sam's Disney Layout and I think N Scale as well.

"We would love to have the BBMRA return to Children's Day on January 31, 2015, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.," the Museum's Anita DeCan wrote BBMRA President Andy Zimmerman. "Last year approximately 3,000 children and adults attended and we are hoping for another great crowd. Both the main and ground floors are filled with music, crafts, demonstrations, give-a-ways, and lots of family fun!"

Club members should drop by and support Randy and Joe – and help out if they can.

Boy Scout Merit Badge Class February 7

BBMRA conducts classes for the area Boy Scout council for the railroading merit badge and the latest class is Saturday, February 9, at the Church of Latter Day Saints on North Thomasville Road. The class is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Barrett Johnson and Sam Miller are coordinating and we need BBMRA volunteers. We will discuss this at the meeting January 20.

BBMRA's Craig's List

Would you participate in a Craig's List-like free service as part of The Lantern and, possibly, eventually, our Internet communications? Guidelines would have to be developed, but we would provide notices of model railroad items for sale or swap or items you want to buy. There will be a kick off in the February Lantern if the initial reaction is favorable. Doug Gyuricsko has volunteered to serve as editor of BBMRA's Craig's List.

BBMRA meeting minutes for December 12, 2014

A run trains meeting; changed to Sam and Linda's Christmas Party.

Sam Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

They threw open the whole house, everything was stirring even the mouse. Christmas was everywhere you looked. Large operating layout with all the colors of the spectrum, blinking, shining, and flowing with train movements. Life like figures moving inside and outside the buildings. The large O gage layout running smoothly had everybody day dreaming, like looking at a glowing fireplace.

Then there was an HO gage layout in one whole room, doing the job of running the rails from town to town. I saw lots of amazed people young and old enjoying the sights. No division reports around the dining table, except to say yum! Plenty to eat, and many to share the experience at this holiday event. Turkey and Ham, with plenty for all, even maybe some left for Sam!

The meeting to adjourn at 9:30 P.M.

Thank you Sam and Linda, a great time was had by all.

The next BBMRA meeting to be Jan, 20, 2015

Respectfully submitted by Doug Gyuricsko.

The Lantern Comments & Suggestions

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