



Oktoberfest Announces An Offsite Adventure For All Railroad Buffs

If Lionel toy trains are what you're looking for, you'll not find them here. This museum collection is for the enjoyment of "railroadiana" connoisseurs.

Owner and operator Dale Flansburg has graciously offered to support the Oktoberfest by opening his Railroad Museum, housed at The Depot Quilt Jct.

FREE OF CHARGE to all RR enthusiasts. Located on State Route 9G,



just 1.5 miles south of the Route 9G –

Main Street intersection, Dale

encourages "railroadiana" fanatics everywhere to come and

enjoy his extensive collection of badges, baggage tags, bells,

builder's plates,

buttons, calendars,

china, keys, hollowware, lamps, lanterns, locks,

marbles, medals, odd hardware, paper, passes,

pictures, postal items,

postcards, sealers,

spittoons, telegraphy,

ticket stubs, tin ware, and uniforms with all their railroad initials,

markings, and exclusive characteristics.



Many people are fascinated by railroads that at one time were connected

to most aspects of community and economic life. During early rail days, almost everyone had the experience of taking the train to some distant destination. For the most part, the romance and glory of the great age of railroads is a thing of the past, but one way of remembering this bygone era is through collecting artifacts that have survived the years. Most railroad lines were (and are) large enterprises requiring vast amounts of material and equipment to operate, and many of the smaller items like lanterns,



china, paper, and locks are well within the reach of individual collectors.

<http://www.railroadiana.org/>



Dale's interest and widespread collection of items, that were actually used on railroads, emerged shortly after his wife's death in 1992, when he realized that he "needed to something to do." This childhood Lionel collector knew that railroad stuff was out there, and after some investigation began traveling to rail shows: collecting items of local interest that simply "caught his eye."

With both a great grandfather and his great grandfather's brother serving in the Adirondack Regiment, it is understandable that this lover of Railroad History is also a Civil War History fanatic. His research, interests and wanderings have evolved through the years, such that he now "sits on the edge of writing a book."

Know that you are cordially invited to come share a cup of coffee and spend some time "jawing" with this well versed, well traveled, retired US Marine, on Saturday, October 9th, from 11am-4pm.

May we suggest a visit to the museum on your way to the Oktoberfest, or perhaps after a delicious lunch at the Oktoberfest you might want to head south just a mile and a half. If your schedule permits, com' on back for a scrumptious dinner and a beautiful fireworks display starting at 7:30pm.



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