## WHY WAS A RAILROAD IMPORTANT TO LADY LAKE?

The Railroad is the one single entity that had the greatest impact on the development of the Town of Lady Lake. In fact, Lady Lake was founded because the railway was built through this area to provide a means of transporting citrus fruits and watermelons to market. Families moved from surrounding areas to the new Lady Lake, resulting in their former regions becoming ghost towns.

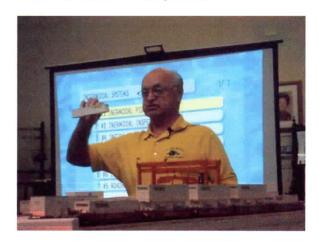


Robert Gall, is introduced by Patrick Gordon.



For our last community educational program until the fall, Robert Gall, of the Villages, presented "Railroads Intermodal Systems." He brought models of various types of intermodal systems, with photographs and videos of these systems

in operations on real railroads and explained how these models have evolved from the first historic models that served the new town of Lady Lake.



The railroad exhibit, designed by the Villages Historical Railroad Society, continues to operate during opening hours of the museum, with our main railroad engineer, Patrick Gordon, describing the operation as it was in the 50s.

## **NEW APPEARANCE OF MUSEUM FRONT**

The museum has a new appearance. We will have more details about this community project next month.

## MUSEUM SCHEDULE

During June and July the Lady Lake
Historical Museum will be open on
Tuesdays and Saturdays from ten until one.
Admission is free. Donations are
appreciated to enable the Society to
remain a cultural and educational resource
for the area. The museum will be closed
during the month of August for
maintenance.

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