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Callahan's 15th Annual Railroad Day Festival & Car Show

(The picture below says April 18 but was rescheduled to November 7 due to the pandemic)

Gather at 8:00 AM, leave by 8:30 AM.

Meet at Racetrac Gas Station, 9980 New Kings Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32219. Members can take I-295 West Beltway to US-1 North. Take a left at the first light, then about 100 yards to the entrance on the right.

We'll depart at 8:30 AM and caravan 12.2 miles, probably the shortest drive to a destination we've ever had. NO PIT STOPS. LOL.

The Railroad Day festivities runs from 9 AM – 4 PM. The Car show is from 10 AM – 2 PM.

Lunch will be around noon at Junior's Seafood, 450061 State Rd 200, Callahan, FL 32011.

Plan on coming out for a double-whammy of cars and trains this weekend!

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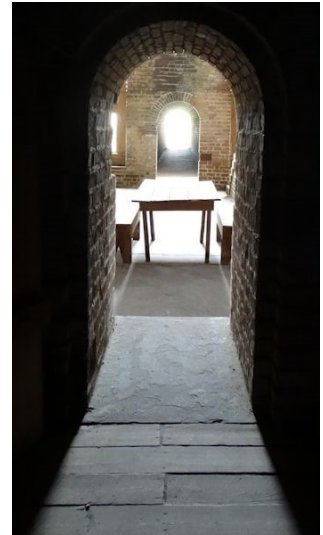
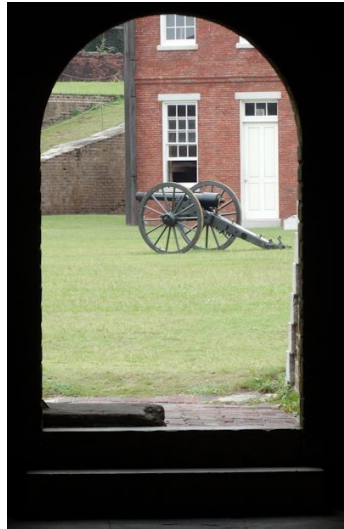
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FCMC Events Calendar

- **November 7 — 8:00 AM: Callahan's 15th Annual Railroad Day & Car Show**

The Railroad Day festivities runs from 9 AM – 4 PM. The Car show is from 10 AM – 2 PM. Lunch will be around noon at Junior's Seafood, 450061 State Rd 200, Callahan, FL 32011. See the front page!

- **November 10 — 6:00 PM: Monthly Club Meeting at 4 Rivers Smokehouse**

Our monthly meeting will be held at 4 Rivers Smokehouse at 9220 Baymeadows Rd, Jacksonville FL 32219. Come early for the food and stay after and pop your hoods!

- **December 19 — FCMC Holiday Party**

Our holiday party is the best way to close out the Happy Miata Year and you won't want to miss out on this spectacular event! We are having it at Englewood Baptist Church, 5675 Kennerly Rd., Jacksonville FL 32207. More details at the Nov meeting, the Dec issue of Road Runner and on our website and Facebook page as they finalize!

Happy November Birthdays To:

Anita Wiseman, Joshua Torres, Pam Johnson, Walt Boehme,
Jule Silvi & Marlene Walker

Welcome To Our Newest Members:

Pam Johnson & Ed Olinger and Jose Montilla-Crespo

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Oregon state trooper helps fend off mama llama trauma

The Oregon State Police has had its hands full recently, to say the least, but not like this. Trooper Levi Macy responded to a call in Eastern Oregon about a wayward llama on a highway onramp. We'll just let him take it from here since his account, emojis and all, is delightful.

"So, there I was minding my own business when I got a call from OSP Dispatch, telling me that there was a llama, yes a llama, in the road on the I-84 onramp at milepost 304 eastbound. I got there and sure enough a displeased mama llama was laying on the onramp. The owner was taking three llamas from Washington to Utah in the bed of a 1500 Dodge short bed pickup. The truck had a homemade stock rack that didn't quiet hold the three 🐫 🐫 🐫 (while it took) an uphill corner. Fortunately enough for the llama and myself, the speeds were slow, and traffic was minimal.

"The owner got about a mile down the road before he realized his mama llama was missing out of the back of the truck. But of course, when he stopped his truck, the other two llamas bailed out, running free on the interstate. The owner ran back and gave me the rope to hook to mama llama's harness. Mama llama refused to get up as you could see by her displeased facial expression ... so I told (the owner) that I would llama sit, while he wrangled up the others. In the end, mama llama was reloaded into the truck and provided some medication to ease her mama llama trauma and also reunited with the rest of her travel companions. The driver was warned for operating with a leaking or shifting load."

I can't say I was expecting a state trooper to provide us with something like "mama llama trauma" today, but there you have it. Apparently, if you're going to be pulled over in the Beaver State, Trooper Macy seems unlikely to be a jerk about it.

