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SUNRISE TO SUNSET DRIVE

On February 18, 2023 we will venture out on our first ever cross state sunrise/sunset drive.

We will meet at 7:00 am at the OCEANSIDE BEACH BAR & GRILL located at 1848 South Ocean Shore Blvd, Flagler Beach, FL 32136. As we watch the sunrise we will eat breakfast. Sunrise is 7:01 am and the restaurant opens at 8:00am.

We will depart at approximately 9:00 am for our trek to Cedar Key for a sunset dinner at STEAMERS RESTAURANT overlooking the Gulf. Hotel lodging info to follow in a future email or on the internet.

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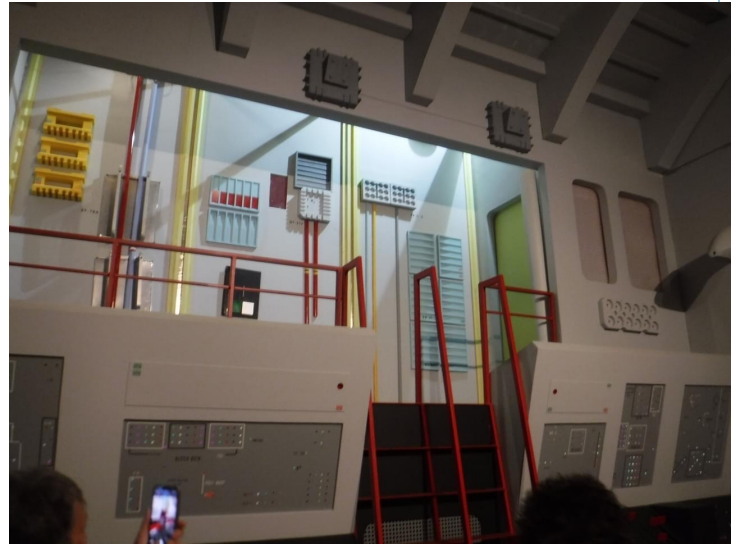


Polar Bear Drive - 01/09/23





Star Trek Drive - 01/14/23





ROAD RUNNER

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FCMC Events Calendar

- **February 7 - 6:00 pm Monthly Club Meeting (because of Valentine's Day)**

Our monthly club meeting will be held at St. Mary's Seafood at 8129 Point Meadows Way, Jacksonville FL 32256. Come out for the delicious food and stay late to pop a few hoods!

- **February 18 - 7:00 am Sunrise to Sunset Drive**

Our February drive will take us from coast to coast, from sunrise to sunset. We'll meet at 7 am in Flagler Beach and trek across the peninsula and work our way to Cedar Key to enjoy dinner at sunset. Jim is looking into hotel reservations in Cedar Key if you plan on spending the night (a very good idea!) so stay tuned. This will be a trip you don't want to miss! See the front page for all the details.

- **March 14 - 6:00 pm Monthly Club Meeting**

Our monthly meeting will be held at a cool place somewhere in the Jacksonville FL area. More details to follow.

Happy February Birthday to:

Kim Pepe-Cordero, Roger Ross, Gordon Tubesing,
Pierce Crabtree and Michael Ross

And Welcome To Our Newest Members:

Michael Ross and Ken Colton

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The Grinch is not an acceptable passenger in the HOV lane

High-occupancy vehicle lanes are great if you've got more than one person in the car, but many of us commute solo. Many have tried – and usually failed – to fool cameras and cops into believing there's another person in the car, but one man's recent attempt might be the strangest we've seen. An Arizona state trooper noticed a strange passenger on Interstate 10 in Phoenix last week, as one driver recruited a blow-up Grinch to ride shotgun in the HOV lane.

Police said they appreciate the driver's "festive" flair but want to remind everyone that attempting to fool the HOV system is against the law, even if entertaining. Though it's likely the most creative attempt to beat the HOV requirements, the Grinch's appearance is far from the first in Phoenix. In 2020, a 62-year-old man was caught driving with a fake skeleton dressed in linen, and there have been countless drivers caught with inflatables or mannequins riding shotgun.

