The Can Am CONNECTION

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For Those Of You Who Have Been Asleep, Or Thought The Club Has Been Asleep, Wake Up! Our Hibernation Party (Or "Out of Hibernation Party") Will Be March 9, 2002!

New name, new place, new month. This year's "Out of Hibernation Party" will take place March 9th at the Beach Grove Golf Club, east of Windsor along the shore of Lake St. Clair.

You'll have your choice of Beach Grove Stuffed Sole or Chichen Milan or Prime Rib of Beef.

And because we've only had 6 newsletters all year, the club has some extra money in the treasury so we can subsidize the dinner. You'll pay only **$18.00 U. S. or $29.00 Canadian** (per person). That's for club members and their traveling companions. Other friends and relatives are welcome but they pay $23 U.S. or $37 Canadian.

As usual for these events, jacket and tie or dresses are required.

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The Kiss Of Death! February 13th Meeting Will Be At The Nisbet Inn. So Will The March 13th & April 10th Meetings.

Shield's Restaurant in Dearborn, where we've been holding our U.S. side meetings has closed.

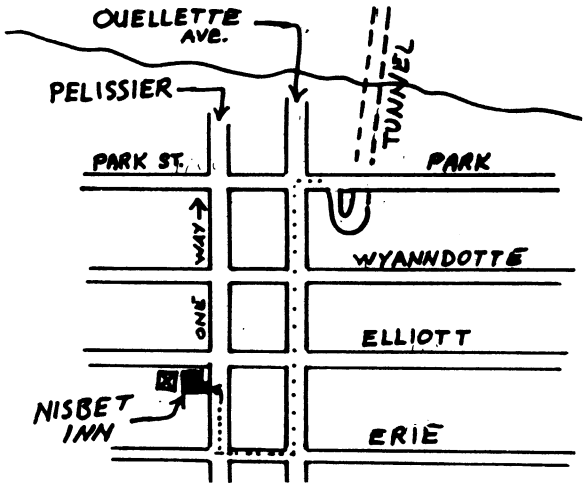
I think that is the fifth restaurant to shut it's doors after we started meeting there.

First the Botsford Inn in Farmington closed up after nearly 170 years. Then there were the restaurants on Woodward Ave. One closed (I think) and the other had a kitchen fire. Then there was the one in Livonia that closed before we could even hold our first meeting there.

Now Shield's..

In the meantime, if you know a restaurant that you'd like closed, we can threaten them with holding meetings there.

Remember, Feb.13th meeting at the Nisbet Inn. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m., Get there earlier if you want supper.



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Safety Fast!

Ed Fleming, Editor

One way to tell what's important in a person's life is to let them tell you about what the favorite part of their vacation was. From Tom and Marcia Greiner, you'll hear about every meal they ate and every restaurant they visited. The Greiner family motto isn't "until we eat again" for nothing. Edna would tell you about the beaches and the casinos. Other people will tell you about the scenery or friends they met.

For me it's the driving. Most people love Hawaii as a vacation spot. I hated it. There usually is only one nice twisty two lane road circumnavigating the island. Normally that would be great, except in Hawaii there is always a little Japanese lady snailing along at 25 MPH with a mile of traffic stuck behind her (you included). And the only time I was there my rental car was a Toyota Corrolla automatic! Think of the much hated IC with an automatic.

Well I 'm just back from California and Christmas with the family. One of the highlights was a trip to Ft. Bragg on the coast about a 150 miles north of San Francisco. There is a very twisty two lane "scenic highway" that takes you about 60 miles through the redwoods to the ocean. Every so often they have "turn outs" so slower traffic can get out of the way and let us faster cars by. It's very twisty, as in 15 MPH U-turns etc. so I adjusted the tire pressure on my mom's Escort to 30 front and 25 rear so the back end would be easier to steer.

As I was driving along I came up to a couple of young (as in wearing their baseball caps backward) dudes in a Nissan 300 ZX. They finally pulled into one of the turn outs and as I went by my 86 year old mom smiled and mouthed "Thank you" to them. I could see the driver mouthing "That's a grandma" as the passenger looked over. It was fairly dark in the redwoods and I hoped that they couldn't see me clearly so they would think that they just had the doors of their "sportscar" blow off by a pair of 80 something grandparents motoring along in their Ford Escort.

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February 2002

Feb 13 Monthly meeting at Nisbet Inn

March 2002

Mar 9 "Out of Hibernation" Party see Pg. 1

Mar 13 Monthly meeting at Nisbet Inn

April 2002

Apr 10 Monthly meeting at Nisbet Inn

Apr ?? Kimber Birthday Bash

May 2002

May 8 Monthly meeting Nisbet Inn

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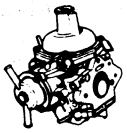

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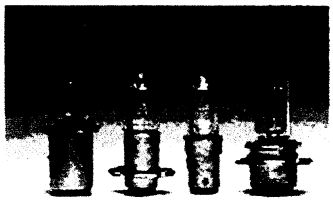

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