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COVER

As Father Time departs 1981, the 1982 New Year's Baby invites you to ring in the New Year at a new club opening in the old Uptown location at 2293 Peachtree Road (rear). The party starts at 9 pm.

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1981 IN REVIEW

As 1981 draws to a close, I thought I would review old magazines and see just what happened this year. The following is a brief highlight of 1981.

Frank Powell opened the Conference Room on Ponce de Leon.

The Answer had a benefit show for P's. Tags in Charlotte, North Carolina had their grand opening.

Linda Clifford appeared at Limelight. Monica Kaufmann was the guest speaker at the most successful Atlanta Gay center benefit at Limelight.

The Falcons were losers, but the Armor-ettes still remained winners.

P.street, Atlanta opened its doors.

George Anthony Capp was murdered on Juniper Street in Midtown.

Crazy Ray'z presented an evening with Frank Scheuren.

Backstreet added another disco in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

The Pharr Library put together their own Red Light Revue to benefit the AGC.

The Inside-Out in Augusta celebrated their first anniversary.

Julie Garden was crowned Miss Armory 1981. I lost!

Over 300 gay demonstrators marched in front of a Baptist church in Marietta to protest Jerry Falwell and the "Moral Majority".

Ken LaRue left CRUISE Magazine.

P.S. Your Cat Is Dead! opened at the Sweet Gum Head.

The Uptown opened.

La Cage Aux Folles II was released.

A new bar in Savannah opened ... The Loft.

The Armory staged the first Drag Races in Atlanta.

Nicki Numbers became a local character.

Carmen del Rio brought her Las Vegas act to the Answer.

Pate celebrated his 10th anniversary as the longest running bartender at the Sweet Gum Head.

The Lady Chablis was crowned Miss Gay World and Darryl Daniels was crowned Mr. Gay World 1981.

The 13th Annual Phyllis Killer Oscar Awards were held.

Charlie Brown was Bette Midler.

Dina Jacobs returned to Atlanta.

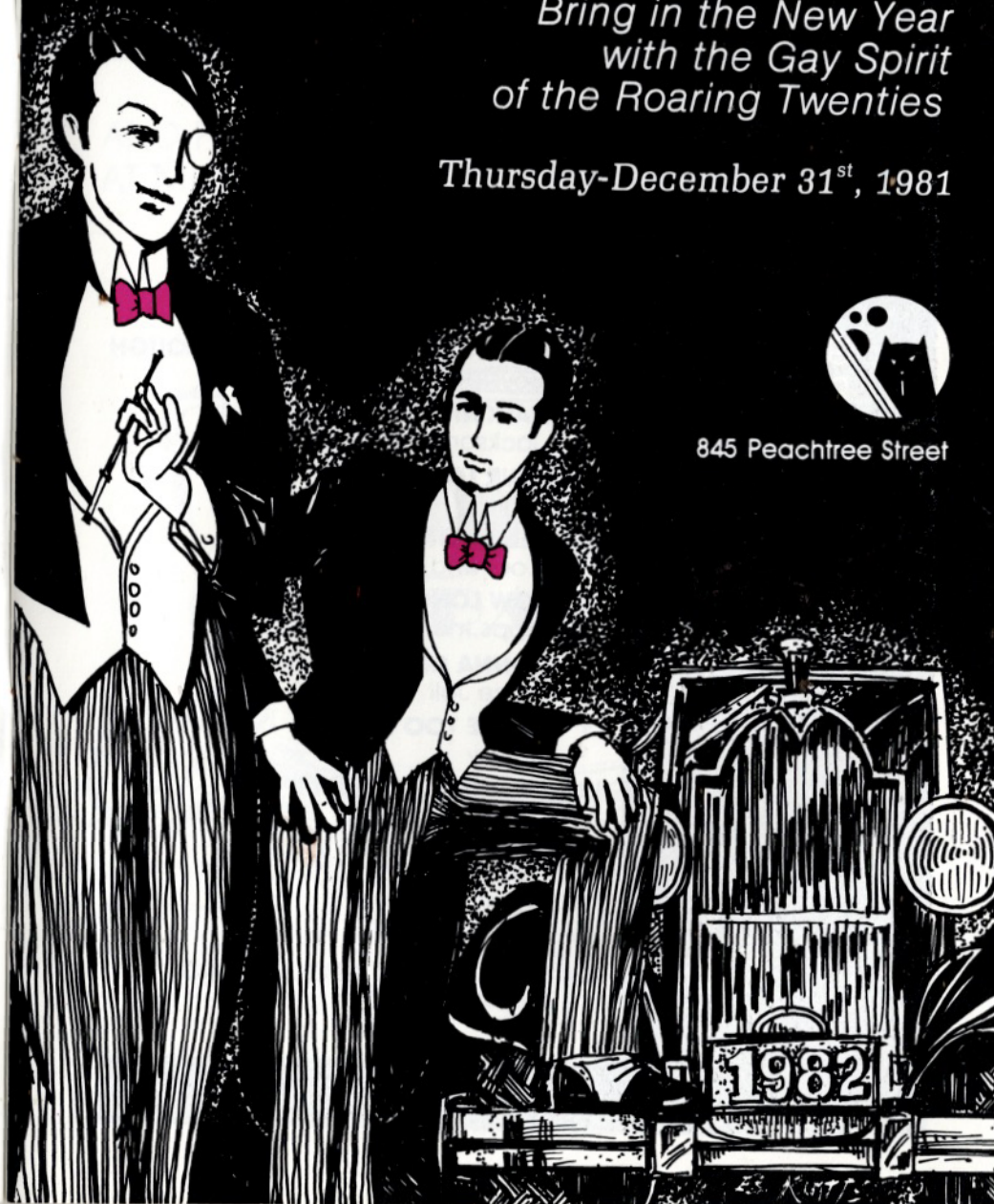
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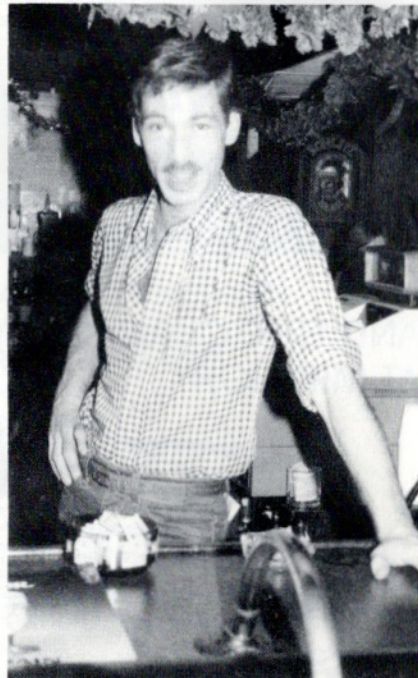
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Rawhide opened on Ponce.
 Disco DJ Angelo Solar died June 2nd.
 Tom Ramsey of the Pharr Library was crowned Miss Bar Maid 1981.
 The Atlanta Gay Community celebrated the best Gay Pride Week ever!
 Sensations opened.
 Texas moved down to larger quarters.
 The Answer celebrated their 1st anniversary party.
 Greg Troia won Miss Pharr Library and Miss Camp America.
 The Hotlanta Raft Race was hotter than ever.

Jocks became the Peachtree Disco.
 Up on the Roof opened at Backstreet.
 Lisa King became Miss Georgia.
 France Jolie appeared at Sensations.
 The Sweet Gum Head closed its doors.
 P.street had an AGC benefit at Limelight.

"Mommie Dearest" came and went.
 Connections opened on Peachtree.
 "Boys in the Band" opened at the Midtown Playhouse.

Political candidates actively courted the gay vote for the first time.

Grace Jones appeared at the Fox.
 Halloween was a day to remember.
 CRUISE published the 1982 Book of Maps for the Eastern United States.
 Gary Duda was elected Homecoming Queen. I lost.

The Buffalo Chips became famous.
 Backstreet celebrated their 5th anniversary in Atlanta.

Sensations and Numbers both lost their liquor licenses.

CRUISE Monthly renewed publication.
 These were just a few of the many things happening in the community. Let's look forward to a year just as eventful in 1982.

— James G. Heverly



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If you want it; you got it. This series of letter written to "Straight to Hell" magazine (complete with photographs— probably will not hit too many Atlanta Bookstores with the pornography witch hunt still going on.

This volume of sex fantasies is reminiscent of the old "Screw" magazine; or better yet, a book form

of the want ads (remember the one about the hot pastrami tongue looking for pleasant kosher ... well, you know) from the "East Village Other." In those days you could easily shock this reviewer, but sixteen years later I'm conditioned against anything (even the extraterrestrials I meet everytime I go to a local bar) so such a book does nothing for me.

"Flesh" serves no literary function. The erotic letter writers are of course, anonymous; the photos even predate me. This is nothing more than a masturbation handbook.

If you are an onanist (I'm not putting it down, it BEATS going out in the cold), then you may want this oneiric equipment. There is really no reason to condemn this tasteless material - for some it WILL prove a healthy outlet. But considering the price, I suggest they go across the state line to Tennessee and buy better material.

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In this play, one actress appears on stage, but two women reach across a century to meet as kindred souls. Anne O'Connell recreates the personage of 19th-century actress Fanny Kemble, reminiscing about Kemble's experience as a New York stage performer, a British traveller in America and as the mistress of a Georgia sea Plantation.

O'Connell wrote the play after extensive research, conferring with leading scholars and visiting the remains of the plantation where Fanny Kemble lived.

While spending four months on her husband's plantation in 1939, Fanny Kemble recorded not just her own reactions, but the day-to-day operations of the Butler estate, the lives of the slaves and their white masters and the strange beauty of the Georgia Sea Islands. The poverty and cruelty she encountered was described in her "Journal of a Residence on a Georgia Plantation," one of a number of books written by

Fanny Kemble and one of O'Connell's major sources for the script. She recounts such experiences as her visit to the plantation "infirmary" where slave mothers, lying on a bare earth floor go through labor and childbirth. Her attempts to help them result in the slaves being beaten. She kept this journal out of publication until near the end of the Civil War in

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opened last year. John Anthony Scott, author of "Fanny Kemble's America," said O'Connell's play has his "unstinted praise." University of Florida anthropologist Charles H. Fairbanks, involved with historical and archeological studies of Georgian plantation sites, wrote: "This sketch should do much to revive and communicate an interest in her times and activities."

Author Anne O'Connell has acted in and directed films, television and on stage; she taught theatre in New England and with the Professional Actor Training Program of the University of Washington.

The production is directed by Clayton Corzatte, Obie-winning actor and director. It had its premiere run at the Ethnic Theatre in Seattle, Washington and is now touring the Eastern states.

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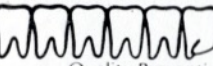
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Many people know me as Frank Scheuren's other half or as a nice bartender at the Buckhead Cinema 'N' Drafthouse, but did you know I can write? I got my start on high school newspapers and polished my skills on an airforce base newspaper. Recently, I popped into the Cruise office and moaned that, although I had been thinking of writing a Christmas story, I was stumped for ideas. Then the very next day, my family, God bless 'em, provided the inspiration I needed. There came a flurry of phone calls. It seems like Frank and I were in the center of a storm that threatened to disturb my family's plans for Christmas. Their instructions were clear — "dress casual, bring wine and don't bring Frank." That's why I wrote this letter to my Dad.

Dear Dad,

I just finished talking to you about my plans for Christmas. At this point I'm considering (1) not going to Tim and Marti's, or (2) going to Tim and Marti's with Frank. I cannot consider going without Frank. What will happen, will happen.

I understand your anger, confusion and wounded pride. These are normal parental reactions. Whatever your reactions, please don't try to change me. For example, Mom, Tim and Marti have experienced confusion; they cannot condone my life because of their religious beliefs, but they don't hesitate to say they love me, and they have met Frank and have seen that we are happy.

Dad, I know you love stability, security, church, home and flag. So do I. I know you have a lot of control over what you want and get out of life, because you have always been

the "Big Cheese" to me. But — sometimes you have to let nature take its course. You have to let life evolve into what it is meant to be. My life is now my own and you cannot lead it for me anymore.

I understand the obstacles in the way of your understanding me. First the Church — the biggest obstacle of all. It seems strange to me that the source of so much love is also the source of so much fear, shame and guilt. For all you know I will be branded to go straight to Hell. I am well aware of the fundamentalist Christian viewpoint of the "Last Days." Question — Is the Church infallible? Look at all the rules and regulations about divorce, birth control, etc. Can't you find at least one position with which you would disagree? I believe in the Church, but I don't think it is Christian to judge and condemn, no matter what the issue. Unfortunately today we see many television evangelists and quasi-political/religious leaders who are quick to condemn anyone who disagrees with their views. I say let God be the final judge. Will the Church ever change? Don't hold your breath. But the Church is changing slowly. I remember these words carved in marble in the Jefferson Memorial, "A government of laws should provide for the change of laws to reflect the changes in society, otherwise our society would be no different than our barbarous ancestors." That might not be a direct quote, but that's the message. The Church is far more rigid as well as more durable than any government our planet has seen. Yet even in the Church there is change. Even as homosexuals and others who feel rejected by the Church lead the march to find something different,

many others stay and try to build bridges, open up dialogue and salvage the lives of those who would be discarded like trash. They don't make demands for overnight changes like sanctioned homosexual marriages (although someday that issue will be addressed). They quietly ask a fundamental question — Is the purpose of the Church to bring people closer to God? Or is it the Church's purpose to create a barrier between God and people, and between father and son? What else can I say on the subject? Let's pretend that you are the Church and I am an outcast — can we open up a dialogue? Build a bridge? Search for understanding?

The next obstacle is you wife, Maura, and your son, Sean. I suggest that you and Maura sound off to each other about your feelings. I know that here in Atlanta, our family seems closer for having "weathered the crises" and discussing our hearts' feelings. At sixteen, Sean is old enough to be told

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the truth, if he should ask. If he doesn't ask, then why tell him? Whatever happens, being told that one has a homosexual relative does not endanger one's sexuality, unless it was extremely shaky in the first place.

The third obstacle is you. Are you afraid of something you don't understand and someone you haven't met? Talk about it! Please don't hide behind the Church, behind your family, behind your fears. It takes a lot of courage to stick your neck out — Please meet me part of the way.

One more thing, Dad. We are not monsters. We do not recruit members. We don't demand the right to have sex in public. We want our sex in the bedroom, free from destructive religious guilt or unconstitutional laws. We want, justice, dignity and love to be a part of our lives. We don't want to flaunt our lifestyle, neither do we want to hide in fear of our jobs and our lives. We reveal our sexual status because we are tired of a double standard that gratefully accepts our contributions to society but tells us to hide in the closet anything other than monogamous heterosexuality. Society is much less likely to condemn us when we reveal our contributions to our religions,

government, sports, entertainment, social work and the effort to improve the quality of life not only for ourselves but for all, especially other minorities and oppressed. God knows the Church and society have tried to snuff out homosexual people for ages and ages, yet we are still here. Perhaps we are biologically indispensable, and we will always be a part of the total population.

I care about all of this because (1) I happened to become involved, (2) I see room for improvement in the acceptance of homosexual people, (3) I believe I can make a valuable contribution in my own way. I have had a stable relationship for sixteen months, I am happy and healthy, and I would rather be honest to you than hide.

These thoughts are for you, Dad, written from my heart and my head. I plan to share them with Mom, Tim and Marti, and others.

Ken

Frank and I spent a wonderful weekend at home. I didn't hear from Dad or anyone else, but I think I'll hear from soon after he gets his letter. God bless our gay and lesbian friends. They have become our real family this year.

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HORSE FEATHERS - open at 8:30 p, 1p on Sat, 7:30 p on Sun, with Beer bust on Wed, (35c mug, \$2 Pitcher), Draft cocktail, Mon, thru Fri., (50c mug or \$2 Pitcher), All New Order specials honored also.

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LIMELIGHT - Open 9 p - 4 a, Sat, 8p- 3p, Sunday T-dance admission after 8p, Tues thru Sat, movies 9:30p (4:30p Sun.)

LOADING DOCKS ORL - Formerly Hank's Place, Open noon til 2a 7 days, Wed, draft nite, All you can drink \$2, Sat. & Sun, is beer time, noon til 3p, 2 for 1 all drinks.

THE LOFT/SAV - Open 5 p - 3 a Mon-Fri, 9 p - 3 a on Sat, HH 5 - 7 p with 2 for 1 & 25c Beer, Mon is Hat night, Tues is Crazy Night and Fri is Hot Hors d'oeuvres & peach fuzz special.

NEW ORDER - Open 11:30 a, HH from 6 p, til shift change, Opens 1p Sat-Sun, Free buffet Sat, 2p, Sun, & Mon, 2-4-1 with bar t-shirt, Buddy time is 10 p, to 12 Mid, Sun, thru Thurs, (buy your drink a reg. price get buddies for 50c) STD (V.D.) Screening from 9 pm til 11 pm first Wed. of month, Free.

ODDS & ENDS RUNABOUT CLUB/ORL - Open 7 days a week 12 noon til ?

ODYSSEY - Open 9 p - 2 a every day, closed Mon., HH Mon-Fri 4p til? Sun, T-dance 4p, Tues, 99c drinks, Thurs, cash prizes.

PEACHTREE DISCO - All well drinks 75c from 4p to 4a, Tue & Thur, Wed, 25c draft & 50c schnapps all night, Happy Hour 4p - 8p 25c Draft, 75c drinks.

OLD PLANTATION/Jax - Wed, 10c drink nite, Sun, bloody mary & screwdrivers 75c 1-7p.

PS - Open 7 days, Cocktail 2p - 10p, 50c draft & drink specials, Mon and Tue bartender specials, Wed P's famous beer bus!! 25c, Thur Cocktail hour prices for those wearing any bar T-shirt all night, Fri Cocktail prices for those wearing leather or P's T-shirt, Sun Open at 2p 50c draft, 90c cocktails, Draft Beer Party 7-8 and 10-11p, Every day Kamikaze shooters \$1, Schnapps 50c.

THE PHARR LIBRARY - Open 4:30 p - 4 a Mon-Fri, 4:30 p - 3 am on Sat, HH 4:30 - 8 p, Mon-Thur & 4:30 - 9 p, on Fri & 4:30 - 10 on Sat with free hors d'oeuvres, Tues, & Thurs, 2-4-1 & HH 10p til closing, Cocktail prices Fri & Sat 2 a til Clos.

THE POWER COWS - Sat, revue, Wed & Thurs, free admission & free draft 9 - 10p.

PRINCE GEORGE INN - HH 4-7 p every night, dinner til 2 a.

SPORTSPAGE - Disco every night til 4 a (3 a Sat) HH 4-8 every day, Fri, Crazy Nite 8p til closing, Mon, HH all night, Tues, Talent Nite w/Crystal Lambega, Wed, 25c draft & 75c schnapps 8 p - 11 p, Thurs, Softball night, specials for players, Sun., Free buffet.

STREET CAR/CHR - Open 1 p - 2 a Mon-Fri, 1 p - 12 Mid, Sat, HH 5 - 7 p, Beer & Wine Cruise Bar.

TEXAS DRILLING COMPANY - Open 3p - 4a Sun-Fri, 3p - 3a Sat, HH 2-9p, Tue, Country Music Nite, long-neck beer 90c, Fri, leather/bare chest nite, Sat, HH 3p - 9p schnapps 50c all nite, Sun, movie 9p, draft 50c & Sun, brunch 1 - 5p, Mon, Honky Tonk Nite, Tue, longneck nite Wed, 75c cocktails, Thurs, draft/schnapps 50c.

THIRD WORLD - Wed, - Sat, 8 p, - 4 a, Sun 5 p - 4 a, Wed, talent show and male revue, HH 8 - 10 p.

TRIANGLE VIDEO - Meetings every Monday 7p, Atlanta Gay Center.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31st

NEW YEAR'S EVE

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PHARR LIBRARY - Gala New Year's Party, 2 for 1 & free champagne at mid.

ARMORY - No cover, 75c drinks, free champagne, free favors, total insanity.

SPORTSPAGE - rings in the New Year, Champagne, Buffet, Favors.

GALLUS - Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, Reservations necessary so make them early.

CONFERENCE ROOM - Party from 9p until, Free Champagne & party favors.

PRINCE GEORGE INN - New Year's Eve Dinner served 6p - 11p, Call for reservations.

TEXAS - Drill in the New Year at our Champagne party.

BACKSTREET - Bring in the New Year with the Gay Spirit of the Roaring Twenties.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1st

CONFERENCE ROOM - Watch the Rose Bowl with us today.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2nd

CONFERENCE ROOM - Noel Coward night.

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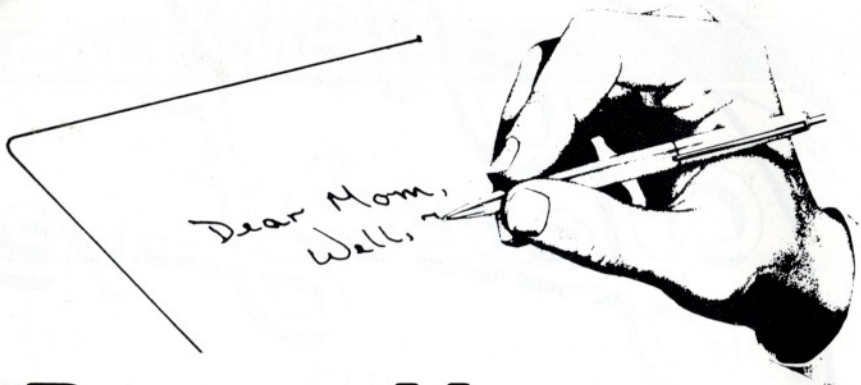
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Dear Mom,

Dear Mom,

Just wanted to find out if you had a good Christmas and if your presents got there O.K. Mine was really fantastic up here at the cabin. Jerry stopped by up here Christmas day on his way home for the holidays and brought all my presents from y'all with him (It was really a bit of a detour since his parents live in South Carolina). They were really great except, what am I supposed to do with a box of 500 postcards with pictures of Bible Baptist Church on them? But, really, I loved the sweater and muffler and all. They'll really come in handy with the weather we're having right now. Bruce and Tom gave me this really nice framed poster to go over the fireplace. He said it was an original by some frenchy call Tooloose Lautrec (or something like that, I didn't know how to spell his first name). It must have cost him twenty or thirty dollars. Jerry got me a new set of dishes. They're really nice too. Each plate's got a different picture by Currier and Ives on it. Real nice snow scenes and all. He said he saw them and knew it would be just what I liked. Roxie had to go home early so she couldn't come up but she had Jerry bring me her present. It was (now don't laugh at me and don't tell

anybody) this huge teddy bear. I mean, I didn't know what to say. I don't want to hurt her feelings, but what am I supposed to do with it? I guess I'll just set it in the bedroom chair at home until she's back and has seen it out. Then I can hide it in the closet. I wish Bruce and them hadn't see it though. The card was sweet, though. She called me her little teddy bear. I guess that's why she got me one.

I got Bruce a new sleeping bag so him and Tom don't have to share that other one anymore. I gave Tom a Betty Crocker Cookbook and Jerry got Emmy Lou Harris' new Christmas album. Have you heard it yet? It's really good. I was thinking of getting Roxie a ring, but it's a little too soon for that, I think, so I got her one of these little vacuum cleaners instead. You know, the kind that you can put in your suitcase and all to carry with you. It'll really come in handy on the bus to clean off the seat before she sits down and all. I hope she likes it. I sent it on home with Jerry. I told him what it was, and he just about died. He said he was sure she'd just love it since it was from me.

Enough of that now, let me tell you about the trip. The cabin's in North Carolina and it's really nice. It's got a good size main room with two


bedrooms off the back and a sleeping loft, and the outhouse is only about fifty yards off. It doesn't have any heat except the fireplace in the main room and that's where we have to do the cooking, too. It's just perfect. Like Bruce and Tom promised me, it was snowing when we got here. It looks just like one of those Currier and Ives plates Jerry gave me. It's been real cold, too, so we're all three having to share the bed in the sleeping loft. It's just too cold to use the bedrooms. I wish I had thought to bring my sleeping bag with me I would have slept on the floor. It's real nice of them to let me sleep with them but they are the wiggliest two people I've ever seen. The first night they woke me up the whole bed was shaking. I didn't say anything and just pretended to be sleeping cause I didn't want to sound rude after they were being so nice to me.

They had some good fishing down in this little creek near the place.

There's this little water fall with a deep pool right below it where they like to hide, so me and Bruce set trot lines there every night and had plenty of fish the next morning. It's real boring and no challenge doing it that way but the weather's been too cold to stand out there and fish except during the middle of the day, and then you about freeze your nose off. Tom still hasn't gotten to where he likes to fish but he sure can cook them good.

Well, I'm going to have to get up and get to work. It's about six-thirty and I'm sitting here in the bed writing this. Bruce and Tom are still asleep, but I just can't seem to sleep late up here. Besides, it's my turn to get the fire going and pick up the trot line. Be good and have a nice New Years. We'll be heading back to Atlanta sometime next week so I'll write you again then. Tell Pop hi for me.

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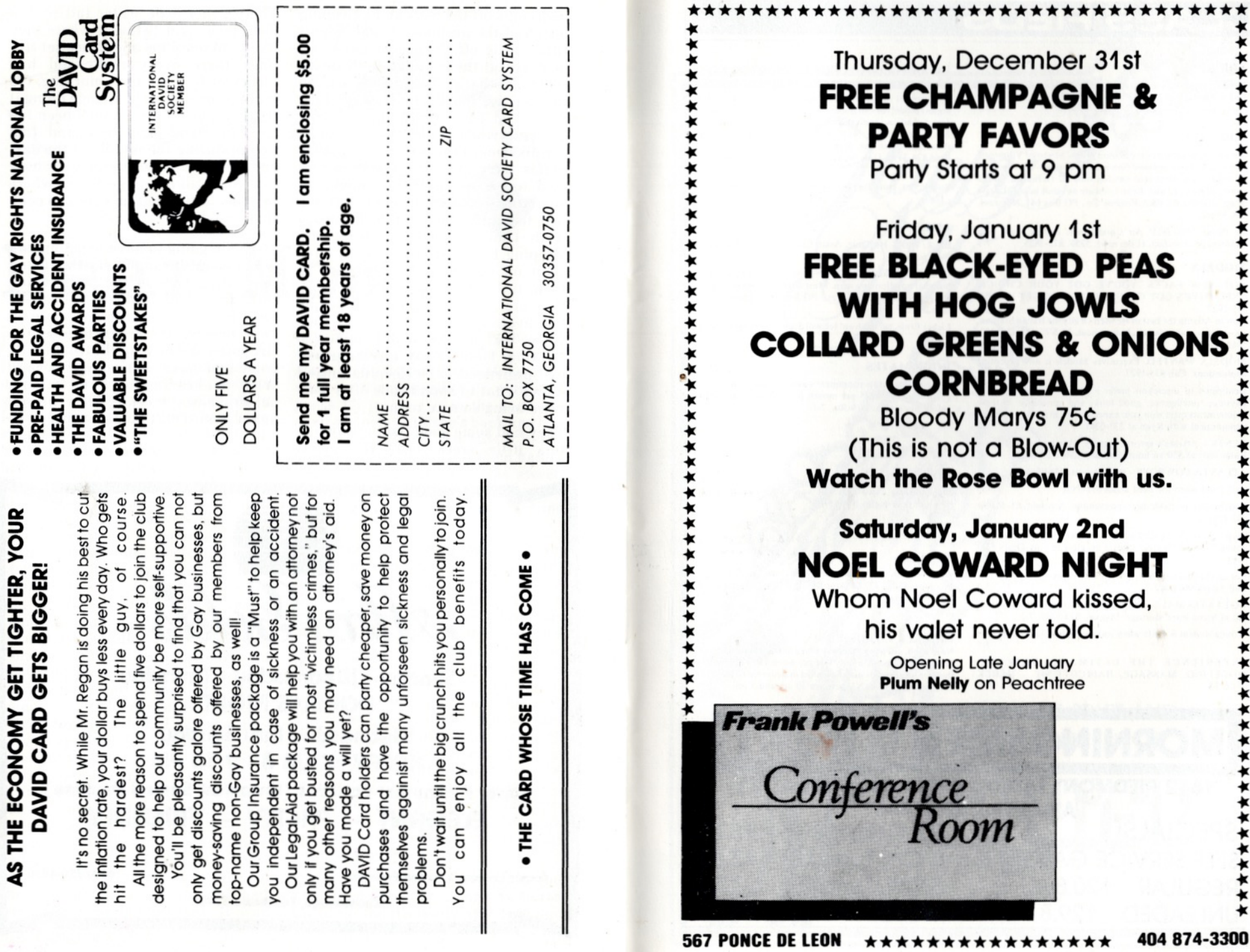


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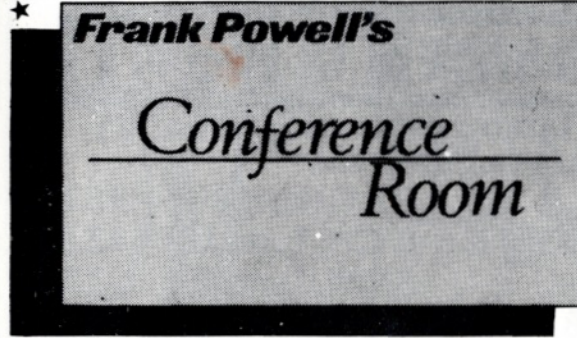
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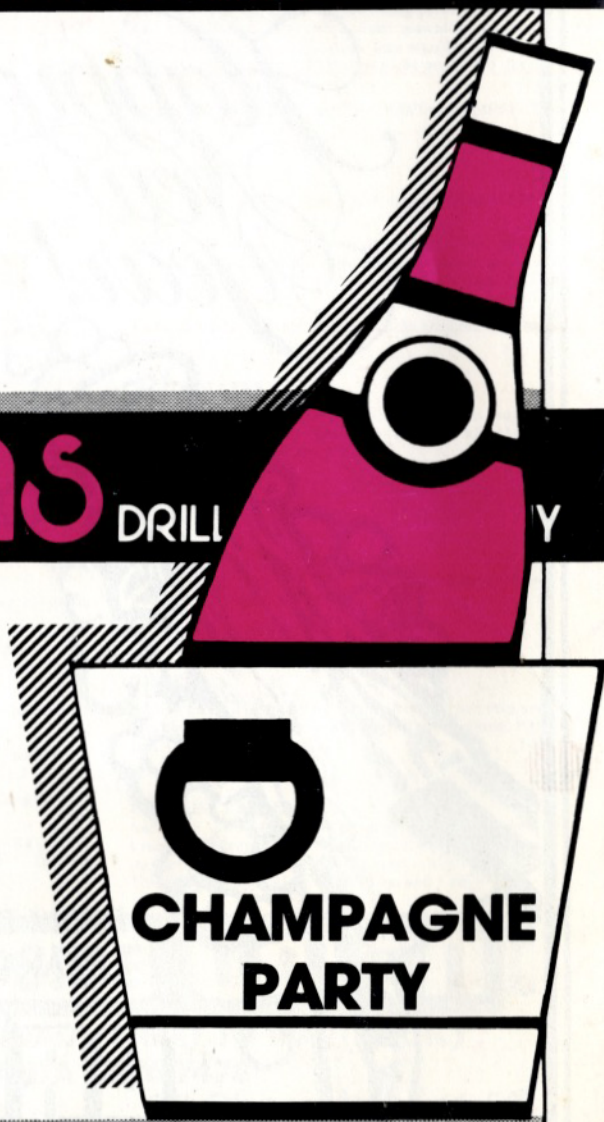
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