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New Year's gala parties

By ETHEL SIMMONS

What are you doing New Year's Eve?
 If you're following the tradition of a big night out, whooping it up, here's a few choices to consider.
 Ted's Old Town Inn in Bloomfield Hills will have a New Year's Eve Party from 9 p.m. 'till whenever the revelers grow weary.
 Ted's should know how to party. After all, Galatya's has already celebrated New Year's at its traditional, fourth annual 1950 New Year's Eve Party always held the second Monday of December.
 The fun centered around the bathtub gin era, with the party "in honor of the 42nd anniversary of the repeal of Prohibition: The Volstead Act."
 That's how the invitations read. Galatya-goers had dinner, drinks and danced to the music of the New Orleans Jazz All Stars featuring Big Mama Bey. A 1950s fashion show and Charleston contest preceded the New Orleans funeral march for Sen. Volstead. Noisemakers were passed around for midnight celebration.

LAST YEAR I promised myself to get dressed in an old silver mini and turquoise blouse—the invitation specified period costumes—to keep up with the rest of the crowd. The dress' long scarf made a perfect headscarf band.
 Mac Little, assistant general manager, was party host in a gangster style outfit, with dark shirt and light tie, wide-brimmed hat and striped suit. Another man in the crowd also chose the mobster look, with his grandfather's bowler hat to set off the jaunty image.
 On the real, upcoming New Year's Eve, Ted's will have an open house in the Pub & Parlor with piano bar, hats, noisemakers and dinner by reservation. The coffee house, without cocktails, will be open for the family, no reservations.
 Galatya's will have early dinner, family seating until the New Year's Eve Party, by reservation plus deposit. A choice of dinner menu will be available, entertainment will be by Loro.

AT THE TROY Hilton Inn, a bi-centennial theme will welcome in the New Year. A spirit of '76 party in the ballrooms will include a cocktail hour, complimentary hors d'oeuvres, filet mignon dinner and dancing before the party's over at 4 a.m.
 The package price per couple also covers hotel room and a breakfast buffet the following day, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Pool Terrace.
 In the Hilton's Playmarket Restaurant, a special New Year's menu will be served from 8 p.m. until 2 a.m. Reservations and a small deposit are required.

ELVIS FANS planning to take in the king of rock's concert at Pontiac Stadium on New Year's Eve are being offered a package for dinner buffet and chartered bus ride, by the Holiday Inn of Troy.

THE TRIO at Franklin Place in Southfield will offer New Year's Eve dinner by reservation in the Brown Bear, with dinner services at 6, 8 and 10 p.m. A special New Year's Eve menu will be featured.
 Buddy's will serve dinner from its regular menu on a first-come basis, in its informal barbeque atmosphere. A special breakfast on New Year's Day will be available from 1 to 4 a.m. in Buddy's.
 The Great Oyster Lounge promises "dancing and boozing" until 4 a.m. on New Year's Eve.

THE ATRIUM and Bobbies Pub in Bingham Farms will have a continuous party beginning at 5 p.m. by reservation. Ami Jackson's music will complement the cuisine in the Atrium. Matt Michaels and his trio featuring Ursula Walker backdrop the fare at Bobbies.

DETROIT'S PLAYBOY Club has the New York Express, four guys and a gal, moving in for Livingroom entertainment beginning Dec. 29 through Jan. 17. Showtime is 8 p.m. nightly including New Year's Eve.
 Reservations are suggested, to catch the act, formerly part of the Mickey Denton Show. The New York Express is made up of Ron Gaines on sax, David Accurso on drums, Joe Gallardo on keyboards, Larry Norman on trumpet, flugel horn and vocals, and Nancy Wood on vocals.

A VEGAS GALA is planned for New Year's Eve at Southfield's Michigan Inn, from 8:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.
 The "Gala Night—Las Vegas Style" in the Great Lakes Ballroom will provide a five-course dinner by Chef Rene Moutet and a bottle of champagne for each couple. A floor show will star Nancy Heath and the Dazzlers, arriving from Harrah's in Reno and Johnny Trade's orchestra. Showtime is 10:30 p.m., following dinner at 9:30.

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