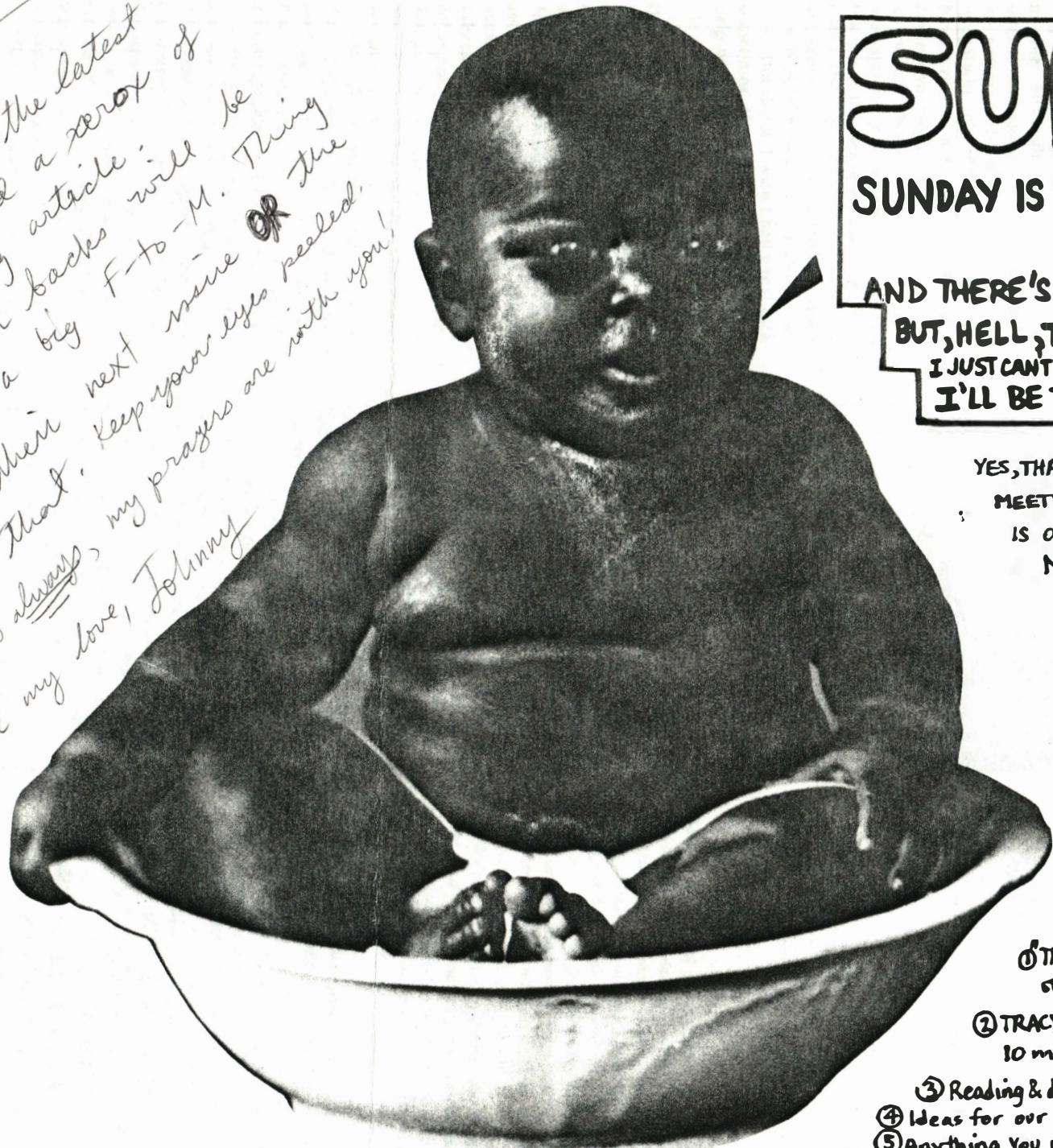


10/29/90

Dear Jon

invite. Here's the latest
an annoying article and a xerox of
On our backs will be
publishing a big F-to-M. Thing
in either their next issue ~~OR~~ the
after that. Keep your eyes peeled.
As always, my prayers are with you!
all my love, Johnny

PS Thanks
for Rupert
info!



SUNDAY?!
SUNDAY IS MY **BATH** DAY!!

AND THERE'S FOOTBALL... AND BEER!
BUT, HELL, THAT WON'T KEEP ME AWAY!
I JUST CAN'T MISS ANOTHER GET-TOGETHER!
I'LL BE THERE WITH BELLS ON!!

YES, THAT'S RIGHT - THE NEXT F2M FRATERNITY

MEETING **SUNDAY**

IS ON:

NOVEMBER 11th, 1990

AT 5 P.M.

AT: ANNIE'S-APT. # 11F

90 LEXINGTON AVE. N.Y.C.

(Between E. 26th & 27th)

[212] 779-0735

PLEASE BE ON TIME!!

please R.S.V.P. to Johnny

at [201] 886-2103

possible topics for 11/11 =

- ① "The Prosthesis Project" - which is actually starting production!
- ② TRACY ULLMAN'S F-to-M TV-Character 10 minute episode from her TV show on video -
- ③ Reading & discussing our letters to "On Our Backs."
- ④ Ideas for our own F-to-M film/video production -
- ⑤ Anything You may want to discuss (put on your thinking caps)

IS PIECE OF MADDENING GARBAGE, CLEARLY SHOWS THE IGNORANCE & BIGOTRY SO PREVALENT IN THE LESBIAN COMMUNITY, TOWARDS F.M.'S. WE'RE JUST WOMEN WHO ARE HAVING HYSTERICIS OVER OUR LACK OF PENISES... WE'RE LESBIANS WHO CAN'T ACCEPT OUR FULL-BLOWN BUTCHNESS... WE SHOULD CONTACT F.M.T.S. GROUPS BY CALLING SAY HOTLINES?! AND LES & ANNIE ARE TWO WOMEN!!

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COCK COSMOTOLOGY

Dear Fanny: I am butch and have wanted to get a sex change operation for most of my life. Although I have intimate and intense sensations while making love to my partner with a dildo, and am usually happy with this, sometimes the desire to have a real cock and a man's body just comes over me, leaving me depressed for a few days. Since I have gotten a lot of recognition for being masculine the last few years, this desire surfaces less often. I LIKE the gay community - it's lifestyle and sensibility. I don't want to lose myself in suburbia, hiding my "sex change secret". But Christ, I wish I had a real dick sometimes. If anyone could offer some help with this, it seems you might.

-Cock Thirsty

Dear Thirsty: I am assuming that your reasons for wanting a cock are, as you said, strictly physical, therefore getting a dick if you want one should be as acceptable as getting bigger boobs or a facelift. However, cosmetic surgery can't be a substitute for the work we need to do to make us happy inside. We also need to take care of ourselves physically instead of relying on pills and facelifts to fix abuses. Yet, put into a positive perspective, why not look and feel different, if that's what you want to do?

Facelifts are no longer secret procedures performed solely on rich matrons. Medical advances and social attitudes have made cosmetic surgery accessible and acceptable for the mainstream. Unfortunately, altering one's body for sexual reasons, as opposed to health and beauty, is still relatively unacceptable. These days if you want to get a dick, you have to go through two years of psychoanalysis to convince the doctors you will commit suicide if you can't free the other sex trapped in your body. Please! Spare us the hysterics over a sex toy!

The most cost-effective and painless approach toward sex change operations today is a philosophical one. Dissatisfaction with our bodies is one of our culture's



TRANSSEXUAL TRAUMA

... "CHRIST, I WISH I HAD A REAL DICK SOMETIMES."

favorite neurotic pastimes. There will always be something we wish we had that we don't. I believe some female-to-male sex change operations could be avoided if the woman could use sex to express her masculinity. Sometimes those romantic notions of families in suburbs and "male privilege" are just suppressed sexual desires. For example, lack of recognition for one's full-blown butch identity and the absence of a partner who knows how to appreciate this special masculinity, can make a woman feel like she has to be the "real thing" in order to simply get her cock sucked. With the sexual ignorance that is rampant in medical and physiological fields, I question whether this sexual issue has ever been examined.

As for the operation itself, you can get a much better pussy than a cock. Let's blame the patriarchy for this, too! Today's surgical cocks are small (under 6 inches) and can't get hard by themselves. I hear they are putting silicon implants into real dicks to make them bigger, but a dick created from scratch leaves something to be desired. Are male doctors threatened by the thought of making dicks?

I encourage you to find out all about sex change operations by contacting your local transsexual organization through a gay hotline. Annie Sprinkle's videotape "Linda/Les & Annie: The First Female-to-

Male Transsexual Love Story" gives an inside, personal view of fucking and loving with a man-made dick. Though the "male privilege" garbage Linda/Les talks about made me roll my eyes in disgust, I couldn't help but feel empathy for these two women who are experimenting with stuff most people can't even imagine, much less have the guts to do.

We've only begun to explore our sexuality and free ourselves from autocratic communication skills. We live in a frustrating, transitional time; we have a sense of what is possible, but it's not within our grasp. As people get more adept at acting out their genderfuck fantasies, you won't be the only one longing to experience what it would be like to have a real pussy or dick. Most people's longing simply won't be as intense as yours.

We might as well enjoy our fantasies. They're what make dreams come true.

PLEASE WRITE DIRECTLY TO "FANNY" TO EXPRESS YOUR OUTRAGE & DISGUST WITH HER RIDICULOUS ASSERTIONS!

"Fanny" % On Our Backs
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SAN FRANCISCO, CA. 94114
And Please Mention John Armstrong & The F2M Fraternity!