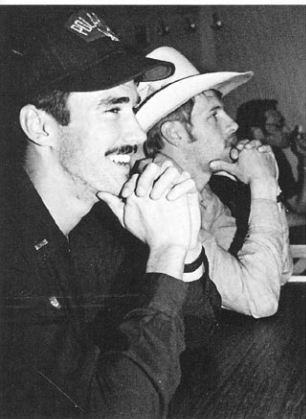


Come the stroke of midnight. A good time was had by all, performers and spectators alike. Even though we were miles from any land. What a way to bring in the new year!

Engineers Log:



*As the POLAR SEA begins the new year
Heading south to McMurdo pier
It's 1980, A new decades begun
This Deep Freeze will prove we are number one!
With the power of five main diesels burning
Were cruising along with three shafts turning
Even with 2B main diesel not helping out
This ship still has plenty of clout
In parallel operation despite no Antarctic night
Our #1 and #2 ships service are providing our light
While the water in 3 223 l W tank we were drinking
The fuel oil suction had 4 it l F sinking
While #3 lube oil purifier was on the center red gear
Number 4 lube oil purifier was keeping the starboard shaft clear
The information on the machinery not yet known
On the attached status sheet is clearly shown*