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'Tis the season

Joe Cooper

This the season to be jolly. It is believe me that's what the song says.

I know I have written some down articles about the Falcons recently. Chalk it up to frustration. Now the Falcons are back in the thick of the play off race and have an excellent chance of making it.

If the Falcons make it, it will be the second time in head coach Jim Mora's three year career. Not a bad ratio.

But can the Falcons pull it off. That remains to be seen. Key players are still missing and the receivers are still having a hard time catching a cold.

What must be done to get us in the Wild Card spot. Simply put, execution.

The receivers must hang onto the ball. They must

learn to adjust and help Vick out. Vick will never be a traditional quarterback. This is common knowledge but he is not as bad as his numbers are playing out this year. Add the number of drops to his stats along with the

yardage and touchdowns, Vick would be much higher up on the quarterback standings.

Not to put it all on the players, the coaching staff must also make adjustments.

I am by no means more qualified than the coaches on staff and I will not even suggest that I know more about football but as a fan, I see areas where we can improve.

The Falcons are next to last in touchdown production in the red zone and it is not all because TJ Duckett is a Redskin. I see very little commitment to what the Falcons are best at. That is running the ball.

I see more and more passing attempts in the red zone. Now we all know that Warrick Dunn and Jeverious Norwood

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December's Fan-atic's Meeting

We will have a meeting in December and it will be at Corky's near Gwinnett Place Mall on December 12th at 7:00 p.m. Guest speaker is Ken **Reaves** 7th drafted by the Falcons for the first NFL season as an expansion team.

Directions to Corky's:

Phone Number: 770-564-8666

From I-85N

- I-85N to Exit 104 (Pleasant Hill Road).
- Take a right and proceed approx. 6/10th of a mile.
- Turn right onto Sweetwater Road.
- Corky's will be on the right

From I-85S

- I-85S to Exit 104 (Pleasant Hill Road).
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Egleston Children's Hospital Falcon Fanatics Party

Chuck Ruffino

Egleston Children's Hospital Falcon Fanatics Party was a great success. With the help of our volunteers from the club April, Chuck, Diane, Alisa, Carolyn and friends of the club Veronica, Shamika, Clarissa, Atlanta Falcon Cheerleaders Kristy, Nikky & Brandi and our Egleston Hospital staff member Meryl Franco we served over 25 pizzas, Gallons of soda,

friendship and love to the ailing children there on Nov. 18th. We gave the children signed Polaroid pictures with the cheerleaders for keepsakes. And the cheerleaders brought more than just there signed cheerleader posters; they brought a love to help lift the children hearts and souls. They talked and danced with, yes they held more than a

of young faces and we thank everyone in the club and everyone that helps at the tailgates and everyone that buys the raffle tickets for our daily and end of the year raffle. Oh speaking of that, call me if you need or want to help sell the end of the year Big Screen TV raffle. 678-472-2616

This is what we are all about.



couple of cheer routines with a lot of the children, and as scary as it may have looked I did get up and tried to cheer and dance with the ladies "to much laughter and smiles". And that is what it was all about "giving smiles to some children that may have not had a good smile in a while. And yes I have the only copy of that video.

We also had the privilege to give around 15 or more children that could not leave there rooms or therapy with a personal visit at their rooms. The only thing we didn't do is do any cheer routines in their rooms.

Again our reward is that we got a lot of smiles from a lot

Go Falcons!!!!

Go Falcon Fan-atics!!!!

Moving/Change of Address or E-mail

If any member has a change of address or e-mail or is planning to have a change of address, please let Joe Cooper know so he can update the records so that he can make sure you continue to get your newsletter. Thank you.

Raffle Time

At each tailgate, we have a raffle and give away a table full of Falcons merchandise prior to each home game. Stop on by and purchase a ticket or two. Tickets sell for \$1 each, 7 tickets for \$5 and 20 tickets for \$10.

Also each year, we have an end of year raffle for a nicer prize. This year, the club is raffling a 32 inch flat screen tv. The drawing will be held at the 12/24 home game vs. the Carolina Panthers and you don't have to be present to win.

That said, this means that those that are not in the Atlanta area or do not have season tickets can still participate in the raffle. Send an e-mail to falcon_fanatics@yahoo.com to have some tickets sent to you. Buy some for yourself or sell some to your family and friends. We ship the tv to anyone in the continental United States.

Tickets are \$1 each. If you wish just to get some tickets for yourself, send a check to Joe Cooper at 301 Meadow Lane, Auburn, GA 30011. Include in the envelope, the number of tickets you want, your address and your phone number. We will call the winner at the drawing if they are not present.

Remember, every dollar raised above the cost of the tv goes to charity. That's 100% of the proceeds. Not many organizations can boast those numbers.

Time is running out. This is the last push for the tv. Buy yours today.



The Atlanta Falcons Women's Association and O'Reilly Auto Parts will team up with the U.S. Marine Corps to collect new, unwrapped toys and monetary donations during the 2006 Toys for Tots drive prior to the **December 16** game against the Dallas Cowboys.

Collection bins will be located outside all gates at the Georgia Dome and at Falcons Landing. Do your part to help the Falcons and the U.S. Marine Corps provide toys to disadvantaged children throughout metro Atlanta this holiday season!

12/24 Tailgate

The tailgate for the 12/24 Falcons vs. Panthers game will be potluck.

Please bring a dish to share as we get together to not only enjoy the game but to celebrate the holidays.

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Help Wanted

The Fan-atic Flyer is looking for content providers. We are looking for articles, trivia, recipes, etc. to add to the newsletter to make it a well rounded and enjoyable product.

The position does not pay a salary but you will get the satisfaction of seeing your name in print as well as knowing that you did a part in helping the fan club out.

So don't delay, apply today. Send your newsletter contributions to falcon_fanatics@yahoo.com.

are not the big bruising backs but the are productive. Give them the ball.

As I said earlier, I have recently been down on the Falcons but I am never giving up on this team as I know many of you are the same way. We love the Falcons and want them to be the best each and every year. We hurt when the team does poorly and offer sage advice when it is the easiest to do. On Mondays. But we have to continue to believe in this team and do our part to help out the Falcons. There are still two home games left. Let's show up to the dome and cheer our hearts out for the Falcons and help them make the playoffs. Then it really will be the season to be jolly.



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