EXHIBITION       PLEASURES AND TERRORS OF DOMESTIC COMFORT
DATES           September 26 - December 31, 1991
ORGANIZATION    Peter Galassi, Curator, Department of Photography, The
                Museum of Modern Art
CONTENT         Within the diversity of contemporary American photography
                there has emerged over the past decade a new preoccupation
                with the life of the home. In this new work the subjects
                are often the photographer's own family or friends.
                Typically, domestic experience is described not from the
                detached viewpoint of the journalist or sociologist, but
                from within.

                PLEASURES AND TERRORS OF DOMESTIC COMFORT surveys this
development in more than 150 pictures by approximately sixty
photographers. A majority of the work is in color, and all
but a small fraction of it has been made since 1980.
Photographs in the straight, documentary style will appear
 together with staged, frankly artificial pictures—and with
a wide range of other work that falls between these two
poles of contemporary photography (partial list of
photographers attached).

PUBLICATION      Pleasures and Terrors of Domestic Comfort by Peter Galassi.
                 128 pages. 75 color and 50 black-and-white illustrations.
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                 Book Store.

TRAVEL           A national tour is planned.

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Partial List of Photographers in the Exhibition

Joan Albert
Tina Barney
Ken Botto
Ellen Brooks
Jo Ann Callis
Bruce Charlesworth
Albert Chong
Gregory Crewdson
Philip-Lorca diCorcia
Doug DuBois
William Eggleston
Mary Frey
Lee Friedlander
Nan Goldin
Mary Kocot
Marilyn Nance
Nic Nicosia
Nicholas Nixon
Melissa Ann Pinney
Cindy Sherman
Laurie Simmons
Sage Sohier
Joel Sternfeld
Larry Sultan
Jo Ann Verburg
Carrie Mae Weems
Neil Winokur