

Bar Basics

Charlotte gay bars serve liquor by the drink and thus must conform to state law regulating private clubs, which excludes persons 18 and under from such establishments, requires nonmembers to be signed in as guests of members, and prohibits sale of alcoholic beverages after 1 a.m. Information for "Bar Basics" is provided by the bars at the request of Q-Notes and is not paid advertising.

BRASS RAIL 3513 Wilkinson Blvd. directly across from the Park 'N' Shop sign, 399-8413. A mainly-for-men cruise bar with patio, billiards and video games. ■ **OPENING HOURS** MON-SAT 5 p.m.; SUN 1 p.m. ■ **PRICES** No cover. ■ **SPECIALS** MON \$3 unlimited draft 9-12 p.m. TUES "Hard Core Night" with \$1.50 gin and whiskey drinks 10-12 p.m. WED Pool tournament and 75-cent schnapps. THUR \$2 unlimited draft 8-12. FRI Happy hour all night for wearers of leather, Brass Rail T-shirts and hats. SAT Bartender's specials all night. SUN 1-6 p.m. Vodka drinks \$1 and free buffet. ■ Membership, renewal \$5.

ODYSSEY 421 Eastway Drive in the Zayre Shopping Center, corner of Eastway and The Plaza, 568-7498. Disco with balconied dance room, large bar room, billiards room, video game room and Starlight Lounge piano bar. ■ **OPENING HOURS** MON-FRI 4:30 p.m.; SAT,

SUN 9:30 p.m. ■ **PRICES** MON and WED No cover; TUES no cover (guests \$3); THUR, FRI and SUN \$2 (guests \$4); SAT \$3 (guests \$5). ■ **SPECIALS** MON-FRI Happy hour until 9:30 p.m. with drink specials. FRI announced specials. ■ Membership \$15, renewal \$10.

OLEEN'S 1831 South Blvd., corner of Worthington and South Blvd. next to the new fire station, 373-9604. Disco and show bar with billiards tables and games. ■ **OPENING HOURS** WED-SUN 8:30 p.m. Closed Mon and Tues. ■ **PRICES** WED No cover (guests \$1); THUR and SUN \$1 (guests \$2); FRI \$1.50 (guests \$3); SAT \$2 (guests \$3). ■ **SPECIALS** WED, THUR Impersonation featuring local talent (also on Thursday \$3 unlimited draft 8-11). FRI, SAT Impersonation featuring out-of-town talent. ■ Membership and renewals \$5.

SCORPIO 2301 Freedom Dr. next to SESCO and across from the SERVCO gas

station, 373-9124. Two-floor disco with two game rooms (each with billiards and video games), television room, "VIP" quiet bar and exterior above-ground swimming pool. ■ **OPENING HOURS** WED, FRI, SAT, SUN 9 p.m. Closed Mon, Tue and most Thursdays. ■ **PRICES** WED \$2 (guests \$4) on show Wednesdays (all but one Wednesday night per month); FRI-SUN \$2 (guests \$4). ■ **SPECIALS** WED and SUN Impersonation show, 25-cent draft 9:30-10:30 p.m., half-priced drinks 10:30-11:30 p.m. FRI 75-cent bottled beer 10-12 p.m. ■ Membership and renewals \$8.

TAGS 3018 The Plaza across from Winn-Dixie, 333-2353. Cruise bar with billiards room, game room and patio. ■ **OPENING HOURS** TUE-SAT 8:30 p.m.; SUN 5 p.m. Closed Mon. ■ **PRICES** TUE, THUR \$2 (guests \$3); WED, FRI No cover; SAT \$1 (guests \$2); SUN \$2 (guests \$3). ■ **SPECIALS** TUE, THUR free beer; SUN buffet. ■ Memberships \$10, renewals \$5.

A New Year Of Great Books

NEW BOOKS

The Alexandros Expedition. Closeted playboy Evan Talbot and old classmate Hamisch who is quite openly gay go adventuring to rescue a mutual friend imprisoned in the Middle East. \$6.95

Backtrack. Master mystery writer Joseph Hansen (he wrote the David Brandstetter series) follows Alan Tarr through Hollywood's tawdry underworld seeking the murderer of his gay father. \$2.95

Black Men, White Men. The first compilation about the black and interracial gay male experience in America. Short stories, reminiscences, interviews, photos, poems and art from 43 contributors. \$8.95

The Boy Harlequin and Other Stories. Girard Kent's 14 remarkable stories ranging from side-splittingly funny to tugingly sad. Includes a secret sex club in a boys' school, a blackmailed teacher's revenge with a hustler's help, college romance. \$7.95

Burning. The late Jane Chambers's gothic suspense novel about two women of today allowing two lesbian spirits from the past to inhabit their bodies to find the love they could not complete in their own century. \$6.95

Coming Out to Parents: A Two-Way Survival Guide for Lesbians and Gay Men and Their Parents. Written by Mary Borhek who wrote about her gay child in *My Son Eric*. \$9.95

Corydon. A new printing of the fictional dialogues on homosexuality that Andre Gide considered his most important work. \$7.95

Forever After. In his hilarious parody, Doric Wilson brings us two muses in drag and a gay New York couple celebrating their first year together. A play. \$3.95

Home Girls: A Black Feminist Anthology. Editor Barbara Smith brings together 42 pieces from 34 contributors about the black feminist experience. A massive book from the new Kitchen Table Women of Color Press. \$10.95

Homosexuals in History. A.L. Rowse tells us what 28 famous men have in common, including Richard the Lion Hearted, Nazi Ernst Rohm, freedom fighter T.E. Lawrence and philosopher Francis Bacon. \$9.95

If This Isn't Love. Sidney Morris's play, an enchanting story of the 20-plus years of two gay male lovers, ran for eight months in 1982 at The Glines in New York. \$5.95

Iris. Janine Veto's romance/adventure has Iris and Dee meeting and falling in love in Hawaii, then fleeing to a remote Greek island where they must prove the strength of their love against an unexpected foe. \$6.95

Job's Year. In this new work by Joseph Hansen, 58-year-old actor Oliver Jewett, a truly good man in troubled territory, pulls his life back together after losing his career, his

gay lover and his celebrated artist sister. \$14.95 (HB)

The Last Testament of Oscar Wilde. Peter Ackroyd writes just as the great Wilde may have written had he chronicled with wit, arrogance and tenderness his life in exile after his time in prison. An elegant tour de force. \$12.95 (HB)

Pines '79. Terry Miller's ribald play about five gay men and their summer on Fire Island. \$5.95

Rapture of the Deep. Reprint of Peter Hazeldine's pioneer novel about a gay working class youngster coming of age. \$6.95

Sex Behind Bars: A Novella, Short Stories and True Accounts. Robert N. Byrd, who served time in seven prisons, has written a provocative, very erotic collection of fiction and nonfiction pieces about sex between prisoners. \$10

Street Theater. Doric Wilson participated in the three days of 1969's Stonewall riots. In this play, he chronicles and people and events leading up to the night the fags fought back. \$6.95

That Other Realm of Freedom. A hopelessly idealistic young Scot goes to London to join the gay movement but moves from meetings to bars and discos and eventually to New Zealand. \$8.50

Whose Child Cries: Children of Gay Parents Talk About Their Lives. Children from 7 to 19 in five

families with "out" gay parents talk about it all. A look at gay lives from an unusual perspective. \$8.95

The Youngest Director. Reprint of the 1961 novel about a corporate director who refuses to bow to company pressure to marry, choosing instead to live openly but quietly with his gay lover. \$6.95

SPECIAL VALUES

Christmas cards. They're half-priced through January 15.

1984 Annual Man Desk Calendar. Hot butch men — one for each week of the year — in this appointment calendar great for the home office. Now \$6 (was \$11.95)

1984 Hottest Men Calendar. A wall-hanger with some most attractive pinups. Now \$3.95 (was \$7.95)

1984 "Color Us Lavender" Coloring Book Calendar. A wall-hanger for lesbians only. Now \$2.50 (was \$4.25).

BACK IN STOCK

Last Summer at Bluefish Cove. The Jane Chambers play being produced at UNCC. \$6.95

My Blue Heaven. Another Jane Chambers work. \$4.95

Patience and Sarah. The lesbian love story. \$2.50

Lesbian Woman. One of the top three books for any lesbian's library. \$3.95

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