

## QCQ Halloween Ball Kicks Off Hot Weekend

Three nights of Halloween parties are going to make Oct. 30-31-Nov. 1 the hottest weekend in Charlotte since Carolina Drummer '86.

The weekend starts with the QCQ Halloween Ball at Charades on Thursday, Oct. 30; continues with Halloween night parties at all bars on Oct. 31; and finishes with Tags' no-alcohol party for people age 18 and up on Saturday, Nov. 1.

Prizes will be flowing freely.

QCQ plans to award costume prizes in various categories with a total of \$200 in

value. Among them will be a night for two at the Blair-Bowden bed-and-breakfast house in Fourth Ward and a \$50 gift certificate at Everything on East.

Traditional Halloween parties with costume prizes will be the order of the night for the bars' own events.

And people 18, 19 and 20 will have an opportunity to attend a party when Tags opens for the first time on Saturday since July. Of course, anyone age 21 and over will also be able to attend, too. No alcoholic beverages will be sold.

## Atlanta Chorale Comes To Charlotte On Oct. 4

The Atlanta Lambda Chorale will appear for the first time in the Carolinas at the Unitarian Church of Charlotte, sponsored by QCQ, on Saturday, Oct. 4, at 8 p.m.

Since its formation in 1984, the group — composed of men's and women's voices — has performed for diverse occasions ranging from the Hotlanta River Expo to a convention of the gay Evangelical Outreach Ministries. One of its highlights was performing in the mammoth Atlanta block party "Light Up Atlanta."

The Charlotte performance will include everything from Vivaldi's "Gloria" to "Memory" from the Webber/Rice hit musical "Cats." Besides choral singing at its finest, solos, duets and quartets will also be performed.

The repertoire ranges widely, covering the challenging literature of the classics to the sparkling syncopation of

Broadway. Part of the Charlotte program will be Pachelbel's "Canon in D," the traditional "Shenandoah," the famed spiritual "Sometimes I Feel like a Motherless Child" and the folk favorite "All My Trials."

"We draw our members from the widest possible spectrum of the community," said Bob Grice. "We have members who have moved to Atlanta from Oregon, Maine and points in between. Some are from North Carolina, including Charlotte."

"We've been looking forward to the trip for some time," he said. "It'll be a treat not only for our audience, but also for us."

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Tickets will be available at the door for \$7 per person. Advance tickets of \$5 per person are available at Joy Adult Bookstore, 1310 E. Independence Blvd., and Everything on East, 1905 E. Seventh St.

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Kids' Halloween Party!  
18, 19, & 20-Year-Olds  
Welcome Saturday,  
November 1!  
No Alcoholic Beverages  
\$2 Cover