

Eating, from the 'Orient' to a 'Corner' of town

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If you're looking for a change of pace when you go out to eat, then dine in a train car. Take the plunge into a "greenhouse" of seafood and vegetarian concoctions. Experience the elegance and northern Italy. Try a casual hideaway of North Carolina specialties. Or go for the rather Bohemian atmosphere of "the closest thing to a Northern deli."

Breadmen's is "like a New Jersey-type diner," said Bill Piscitello, manager-owner. "We want to please everyone. We get the biggest cross-section of clientele — students, local people, policemen, firemen. One night, we may have one of the richest persons and one of the poorest in Chapel Hill at one time."

Breadmen's, at 337 W. Rosemary St., opens for breakfast at 6 a.m. and stays open until midnight Monday through Saturday. It's open 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday. The restaurant accepts personal checks, and customers don't need reservations.

Pita sandwiches, hot sandwiches and vegetables form the bulk of Breadmen's offerings.

"We're casual — not fast food," Piscitello said. "You get a quality product for what you're spending. We try to keep our food fresh as possible. All desserts are made here. We have an excellent cheesecake and blueberry crumbcake — the sort of thing people come in for late at night."

Craig Claibourne of *The New York Times* recently reviewed Crook's Corner chef Bill Neal for his North Carolina specialties.

"We've gotten lots of publicity from that," said Kathy Klein, floor manager at Crook's Corner.

Crook's serves seafood, specials and a Cajun ribeye daily special. Prices range from \$3.05 for a burger to \$10.95 for a steak. Customers can pay with cash, personal checks or Visa.

Crook's, at 610 W. Franklin St., is open Sunday through Thursday from 5 to 10 p.m. for dinner and Friday and Saturday from 5 to 10:30 p.m. Sandwiches and salads are served until 11:30 p.m. nightly. Customers do not need reservations.

Klein said most of their customers were students and townspeople. "It's a fun and easy place to go with very good food."

Aurora draws a loyal following from Raleigh and across the Triangle and state, said Hank Straus, owner of the 9-year-old restaurant.

"We serve Northern Italian cuisine and fresh seafood," Straus said. "We operate as in northern Italy, serving as a first course a pasta or an antipasto, following with a meat, fish or fowl . . . or people may just have the pasta or antipasto alone. You can eat for \$10 or \$40."

Aurora has a huge selection of coffee specialties. The "insalate," or salad, can cost \$2.25, and the pasta specialties can cost as much as \$11.95. A number of desserts are available, also.

Aurora, in the Carr Mill Mall, is open weeknights from 6 to 10 p.m. for dinner and Friday and Saturday from 6 to 10:30 p.m. The bar opens at 5 p.m. Reservations are required. Customers may pay with cash, Master Card, Visa or a local check.

Pyewacket offers vegetarian lasagne and candlelight for a

special date or drinks for a casual visit with friends. You might hear foreign languages in rapid discussion or live folk music on Wednesday and Thursday nights.

"Our primary market is probably 20-to-50-year-olds," said David Bacon, manager-owner of Pyewacket since it opened in 1977. "We get a broad range of visitors. We offer full leisure and service. We also have a bar."

Pyewacket, in the Courtyard Mall off Franklin Street, offers continental cuisine with seafood and vegetarian entrees. Lunch may cost \$3 to \$6. Dinner costs from \$5.50 to \$10. It opens at 11:30 a.m. and closes at midnight Monday through Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. to 1 a.m. Thursday through Saturday and 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Sunday.

"It's sort of an institution here," Bacon said. "It's a Chapel Hill favorite. People who've come and gone always come back here. It's an unusual restaurant."

Customers usually don't need reservations. Pyewacket accepts

cash, personal checks, Master Card and Visa.

The Orient Express Eastern European Restaurant will take you from Paris to Turkey, all in one meal if you so desire. Just board the train — literally.

"We do the cuisine of the countries through which the original Orient Express traveled," said George Horwitz, manager and part-owner. "The train started from France, passing through such eastern European countries as Italy, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Austria, Germany, Switzerland and ended in Turkey. It began in 1884, and trains are still running in those countries by that name — 'Orient Express.'"

The clientele includes physicians, students and teachers. Dinners cost about \$25 per person.

Lunch is served Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dinner is served each night starting at 5:30. The kitchen, run by part-owner Katherine Schlessinger, closes at 9:30 p.m. if it's not

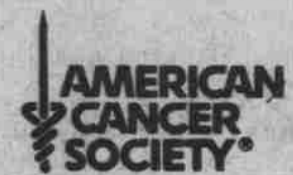
very busy. Russian tea, a "grown-up cocktail hour," is served every afternoon at 4:30.

"The overall impact is elegance and 'My god, isn't this delicious,'" Horwitz said. "You eat things here you've never heard of. It's a nice place to come to celebrate things

— when your father comes to town, birthdays, anniversaries or after a heavy date."

The Orient Express requires reservations and takes checks, cash or credit card. You can see the train cars of the Express at 201 E. Main St., Carrboro.

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