

Bartenders learn about Fred's pucker

By SUZIE MARKS

Think you're hip? How does Fred Pucker differ from Harvey Wall-banger? If you get stung, what's the insect doing the stinging? Stumped?

Well, Fred loves tequila, Harvey likes vodka and bees are the var-mints, so stingers are made with brandy. These are the tricks of the bartending trade, so your local mixer knows your liver.

"We make things easier by teaching the names of drinks through word association," says David Hart, district manager of Professional Bartender School in Lathrup Village. "For example, the drink Slow Comfortable Screw Against the Wall is made with gin, southern comfort, screw means orange juice and the double I in wall means Galliano."

Drinks pour into six categories, the native New Yorker says, and after a student learns the types of most drinks, the others are just slight variations.

Future bartenders learn creme drinks first, then move to martinis and manhattans, pass on to fruit juice based drinks like Singapore Slings. The mixing men and women accelerate to poured liquors like

Seven & Sevens, promote to cordial and liquor mixes like Rusty Nails and on up in the luscious layered or cordial category like Angel Tips, the 29-year-old manager says.

CUSTOMER SERVICE from tip handling to handling a drunk properly is also taught in the 40 hour course. Bartenders are responsible for serving customers who are intoxicated, Hart explains, so a good bartender doesn't want to encourage drunks to keep drinking and also doesn't want to insult a good customer.

"We teach bartenders to put two cups of coffee on the bar, one for the bartender and one for the customer. We teach our students customer psychology," he adds.

The classroom is a dead ringer for a cocktail lounge, so students will feel comfortable. Completely stocked with a simulated bar of bottles filled with colored water, anxious drink servers learn about alcoholic beverages, wines and the art of cutting garnishes.

For \$345, ordinary students can turn into professional bartenders, after spending 40 hours of class time and passing examinations. Hart boasts that the school can accom-

modate any person's schedule because the program is modular not progressive. The final exam include a written test and the ability to prepare 16 drinks in eight minutes.

"SEVENTY PERCENT of our students will pass the speed test on their first attempt," Hart explains. Bartending jobs are plentiful, the manager explains and the school employs a full-time placement director.

Graduates are entitled to return to any of the 23 Professional Bar Tenders Schools in the country for a brush-up course or to utilize their placement services, he says.

"She makes 300 calls a week to see who's hiring," he adds. "She averages about 80 job orders per week which is more than satisfactory for the number of graduates we have."

Hart says there are 15,000 establishments in the Detroit metropolitan area that serve liquor, averaging three bartenders per establishment. That makes for 45,000 bartenders with an average turnover rate of every six months, so Hart estimates there are 90,000 jobs available annually.

Bartenders pay rate is between \$250-\$350 dollar a week, Hart says. Part-timers can make between \$100-\$150 for two evenings of work a week.

Bartenders are no longer primarily men. As a matter of fact, Hart reports many establishments are requesting women.

"The good hotels are looking for bartenders who are good, reliable and honest," he adds.

Deb Torres drives from Flint everyday to attend bartending school. She says the class is fun and she wants to get a job in one of the Flint Sheratons.

"There's no money in discos," says Ray Skowronek, 18, who would rather pour for businessmen when he graduates.

After learning almost all of the 120 basic and fancy drinks taught during the course, Diane Riley, 21, says she wants to be captain of the bar.

"I've been waitressing in a restaurant for a long time and bartending was one of the few things I never did," she says.

"I'd like to work downtown in a nice bar. I don't care for discos or younger bars because they don't tip well and are rowdier."

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