ANGEL ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the autumn edition of the newsletter. Main item this month: the Association's website is now live. You can access it at www.angelassociation.org.uk. We will be updating the site every month so please bookmark it and check it regularly. Any feedback from members very welcome!

Message from Eric Sorensen, Association Chair:

Looking ahead to your Association's work this autumn and winter: we are building up our relationship with residents of the Packington Estate and have met a representative of the Residents' Association. It is important that the redevelopment itself is not only successful but also that there is a good fit with the adjoining streets.

We are working closely with the Angel Town Centre management. As members know, very good improvements have been made to pavements and crossings. We want to continue to support improvements to the Angel crossroads to make it more pedestrian-friendly, and improvements to the Torrens Street area both to tackle the old tube station entrance, which is now an eyesore, and to support Candid Arts.

Come along to the......

ANGEL ASSOCIATION AUTUMN SUPPER TUESDAY 26TH OCTOBER 7PM NARROW BOAT PUB WHARF ROAD

The Angel Association will be holding its Autumn Social Event on Tuesday 26th October 2010 at The Narrow Boat pub in Wharf Road N1. Committee member and silver expert David Webb will tell us about 18th and 19th century silver and silver plate. Come and find out how you tell the difference between a 1780s candlestick and an 1880s copy. How can you date silver? Why not bring along your favourite

silver spoon or silver plate dish and learn more about it? Have you got "Cash in the Attic"? Come and find out!

We have the downstairs Function Room at The Narrow Boat (which seats 30 comfortably) to ourselves. Drinks will be served from 7pm onwards. At 7.30pm David will start his Antiques Roadshow. We will take a break around 8.15/8.30pm for supper. There will be a choice of two hot dishes (one vegetarian). After supper, David can take questions and have a look at any pieces members have brought with them. The evening will end about 10.30pm.

Tickets are £15 per person to include food and a half bottle of wine (or beer/soft drinks). BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT! Members are welcome to bring a guest. If you would like to come – please e mail your Secretary Beverley Dean on beverleydean@btinternet.com or ring her on 07970 222159 – by Saturday 23rd October at the latest. Members are asked to please bring cash on the night to cover the cost of tickets booked.

This promises to be a super evening and your Committee looks forward to seeing you.

We sadly record the death of Tony Howell on 21 September. He was an extremely effective and determined Chairman of the Angel Association in the 1970s and 1980s. He was an effective campaigner for a better balance between people, cars and spaces. Probably his crowning achievement was to stop the Council using City Road Basin for a lorry park. It is a reflection on those times, the 1970s, that canalside land, like the Basin, was typically used for low grade business uses and there was no recognition of the value and amenity of waterside spaces. The proposed site of the lorry park, which Tony so valiantly prevented, is now the Graham Street Park.