



NEWSLETTER

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"I have just met some of the Street Angels working in the region, they do a tremendous job."

A quote from **Prime Minister Gordon Brown** speaking on BBC 1's The Politics Show. The Look North section of the show on Sunday 26th October had an interview with Gordon Brown (there is link on our web site to this) followed by a ten minute piece on York Street Angels and how Street Angels has spread to ten towns and cities in the Look North region since launching in Halifax four years ago.

Halifax Street Angels has recently received two sets of funding - many many thanks to: **Comic Relief** via **Community Foundation for Calderdale** who have donated £5000.



and the **West Yorkshire Police Community Trust Fund** who donated £2890.



Halifax Street Angels were part of the **Evening Courier's Community and Environment Awards** night held at Berties Bistro in Elland. Street Angels were short-listed in the Charity of Year category which was sponsored by Riley and Co. Accountants. Four Street Angels (below with Sarah Crawford from Riley and Co) had a great night at this glitzy event! The well-deserved winner, announced by BBC Look North's Claire Frisby, was Overgate Hospice - a fantastic organisation doing a great work!



Street Angels had a display at the national **FGBMFI Conference** in Telford. Paul spoke on Street Angels and was interviewed for a series on UCB TV (SKY channel 586 / www.ucbmedia.co.uk/tv) Thanks also to Beth Bendrien who sold her CD "**Colours of Heaven**" at the weekend and raised £55 for Street Angels. The CD is available in Fairtrade Café priced £10 (with £5 from each CD going to Halifax Street Angels).



The **Vicars on the Streets** evening saw David Robertson vicar of St George's, Ovenden and Albert Gayle Superintendent of Halifax Methodist Circuit join Halifax & Irene Greenman join Todmorden Angels. Jamie Oliver was in Hebden Bridge (but not to Angel!)

Calderdale It's Christmas Quiz Time!
Street Angels

Many thanks to the companies and people below who have donated prizes for the Street Angels Christmas Quiz. Sheets (priced £1) are available from a variety of places including Fairtrade Café - see www.streetangels.org.uk - as well as from Street Angel volunteers.

MAXAMEC The Big Creative Toy box of Maxamec - www.goodtoys.co.uk Bottle of Wine

Julio's Italian Restaurant Princess St, Halifax £25 Gift Voucher

HARVEYS THE HALIFAX DEPARTMENT STORE gift voucher

Jamie at home jar and goodies

HALIFAX CHARITY GALA 3 Gala tickets for 12th June

Phoenix Cards & wrapping paper

Wed 4th Nov - Street Angels display at the **Calderdale Compact event** in Halifax Town Hall, 4.30pm onwards.

Fri 6th / Sat 7th Nov - Paul is attending the **Redeeming our Communities** national conference in Northampton.

Tue 17th Nov - 12pm Paul speaking at Leeds **NSPCC Luncheon**

Sat 21st Nov - Street Angels needed to help with **Christmas Lights switch-on** in Piece Hall, 1pm - 6pm (switch on at 5.30pm) and also Sun 20th Dec with the **Ice Sculpture Trail** from 10.30am - 3.30pm - see Paul!

Mon 23rd Nov - **Street Angels Fourth Birthday event**

Sun 29th Nov - Street Angels needed to volunteer in Piece Hall at **Overgate Hospice Christmas Fare** - see Paul...

Thu 7th Jan 2010 - Street Angels / St Augustine's Centre organising an **exhibition** to showcase Christian projects - King's Centre, 11am - 2pm.

Happy Birthday in November to: Alan Waddington (4th); Vickie Bullough (7th); Chris Thompson (9th); Alex Whatley (11th); Steve Monaghan (17th); Helen Nicholson (19th)

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Fourth Street Angels Birthday Bash



- * Awards Ceremony (presented by Liz Green from BBC Radio Leeds)
- * Fourth Annual Report Launch
- * Buffet, live music and entertainment
- * An opportunity to celebrate & to honour those who volunteer



Liz Green

Monday 23rd November, 6.30pm onwards

Halifax Elim Church, Hall Street, Halifax, HX1 5AY - RSVP paul@streetangels.org.uk
a suggested donation of £10 is asked to cover the costs of this evening

Twelve Street Angels and friends enjoyed a fun and very nice meal out at Julio's to help celebrate the various Birthday's in October and November (left picture). Also it was good to have Adam May, Project Manager of Bedford Street Angels, join us one Saturday night in October (right picture).



Christian Nightlife Initiatives Network News

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Richard Meadows and Damian Andrews (pictured left and York first night on streets) visited **York** to speak at a fund-raiser for York Street Angels - they write:

We travelled to York by train. We had a look round York Minster and a really nice pub lunch. We eventually found the church where we did our talk about Street Angels. There was a singer on before us and then they showed a short clip of the Halifax Street Angels video before a question and answer session. That was followed by another singer from America. Due to answering questions from York Street Angels we missed our last train back to Halifax and so had to book into a Hotel for the night (it was 4 star and the breakfast was fabulous!). After we booked into the hotel we had a walk round York to see what the nightlife was like and we found that it was busy. We also found a 24 hour McDonalds which was a surprise!

The **Bournemouth** night scene is vibrant with thousands pubbing and clubbing every weekend. The centre of town has 60 clubs and its growing. Usually the police are out in force and a safe bus is present in town on major events.

The club chaplaincy has been around 8 years and offering support on the streets 5 years. Saturday this week we encountered 15 fights in 1 hour between 4 of us who were out and witnessed aggression like we haven't seen. Winter months? cheap drinks? Dissatisfaction with life? We are there to help people live life in its fullness. We are largely a young team and we also frequent the clubs ourselves, dancing and socialising in the night scene. We intend to set up an online facilitation site for others to see all that we are involved in. Home groups, dance classes, Veggie nights and DJ nights. We are about more than just mopping up blood and sick, but that is a good place to start.



Mike French - www.churchforthenight.co.uk

Please pray for: Middlesbrough - the Council have asked a group looking at Street Angels to run a pilot scheme between December and March - please pray for a base and volunteers - also on Monday 9th November, 7.30pm there is an open meeting The Linthorpe Road

Resource Centre 54 Borough Road Middlesbrough TS1 2JH (Middlesbrough Methodist Church) - please pray and pass the word round!); **Bedford** Street Angels and for Adam May as he heads up this project; **Todmorden** who are in need of more volunteers if the project is to

run beyond December; **Halifax** as we celebrate the fourth Birthday of Street Angels and praise God for all we have achieved in that time and for the funding that has recently come in; Street Angels **York** following the amazing feature on BBC1; Church for the Night in **Bournemouth**.