



## Salvation Army closes

By Daphne Chamberlain  
The Salvation Army is closing its East Finchley Mission after 104 years. Their ministry will stop at the end of April, when the Hertford Road hall will be sold.

Officers Haris and Anna Giannaros move in May to another London post.

Haris told *The Archer*, "We are sorry to leave, but my main regret is that the Salvation Army is closing here. I hope and pray it will return. I believe there is a need in this community, and we are touched by cards and comments we have received."

Anna added, "We will miss Finchley. The people are so friendly and nice. It is sad to be leaving just as Church groups are building up."

### Greatly Missed

In four years here, Haris and Anna, who left their native Greece to work as Salvationists, have made a real impact. Haris speaks regularly at Holy Trinity school, where their two youngest children are pupils.

The Parent and Toddler Group (which he entertains with guitar and puppets) is large and thriving. One of the "regulars" said, "It's a



Haris and Anna Giannaros. Photo by Daphne Chamberlain

wonderful start to the week."

Typical comments from their Evergreen Club for senior citizens were, "They will be greatly missed. I feel really upset", "It's so friendly here, with a real Christian atmosphere", "Anna and Haris are fantastic. They're hard workers, and they make us laugh, too".

The Mission has run two Alpha courses, which Haris said have brought several people to faith.

A service of thanksgiving for things accomplished will be held at 6pm in Mission Hall, on Sunday 29 April. Everyone will be warmly welcomed.

## Back to School!

By Diana Cormack

The two long-term members of the Finchley Youth Theatre featured in *The Archer* last October are to be seen on Channel 4.

Kelly Brennan and Keir Mills are taking part in the series "Teachers" which started in March. Kelly plays Tanya, a stropky but intelligent teenager with a chip on her shoulder and Keir plays Teddy, who is a bit of a weirdo.

The latest production at FYT is a surreal comedy called "Going Underground."

## Old £20 Notes

By Sippy Azizollah

A word of warning to all of you out there: Our old £20 notes are no longer legal tender.

If you still have any, you can change them at a bank. It has been brought to my notice that some of our senior citizens and disabled residents in the East Finchley area are still being given these notes by a few shops. You are within your rights to refuse them. After all, the shops bank their money more often than you do, so it is far easier for them to change the notes when they do.

## When is a car park not a car park?

By John Dearing

The open space behind Budgens has been used for some 30 years as a car park by shoppers, Viceroy Close residents and commuters.

According to the new owners it is designated as an access area by the council, not a car park, and residents have been informed of the need to alleviate congestion to allow access for deliveries. They intend to clear the dumped cars and commence clamping or ticketing "unauthorised vehicles" on 1 April (in time for the start of the CPZ).

Budgens (and presumably other shops in Viceroy Parade) will be able to buy permits for £500 from the new owners to hand out to their shoppers (so it is a car park, after all). Only residents with "special needs" will get a permit. Iceland has a separate freehold and has its own parking spaces.

Despite the impression of the planning application, the proposed new flats will **not** apparently get parking spaces, "because the council will not allow parking spaces for one bedroom flats". So who will get the lion's share of the 22 spaces?

Demand from shops may increase with the CPZ and the new owners may expect to be able to sell permits for most of the spaces. For residents who own garages a welcome by-product of parking control could be an end to vehicles obstructing them. But will clamping be a sufficient threat?

## From The Archer Archive

By David Tupman



Daniel Attrill's appearance in the April 1994 Archer led to a big rush on cucumbers. Photo by David Tupman

**New volunteer, the imposing but slightly déshabillé Daniel Attrill, stripped off in the interests of investigative journalism to sample the treatments on offer at Ruffles Hair and Beauty Salon in the High Road.**

During an hour's pampering, Daniel succumbed to the sensuous hands of beautician Siobhan. The use of penetrating Dead Sea salts and soporific aromatherapy treatments meant that Daniel was oblivious to the ritual squeezing of his blackheads.

No sooner had Siobhan completed her facial treatments, it was the turn of Sabrina to trim Daniel's tousled locks. The transformation was remarkable as Daniel emerged as *The Archer's* most gorgeous hunk of 1994.

Fears over the conversion of Park Lodge into a centre for the homeless spilled over into a second month. The Archer reported that 1,200 people had signed a petition against the proposals for redevelopment.

Local doctor Lesley Isenberg of the East Finchley Medical Centre in Baronsmere Road gave residents some tips on how to treat your doctor. With an unusual approach to doctoring, Lesley explained that consultations are a two-way process and that doctor and patient need to be able to listen to each other. This may help explain why the Baronsmere Road Centre is so popular.

## East Finchley Baptist Church

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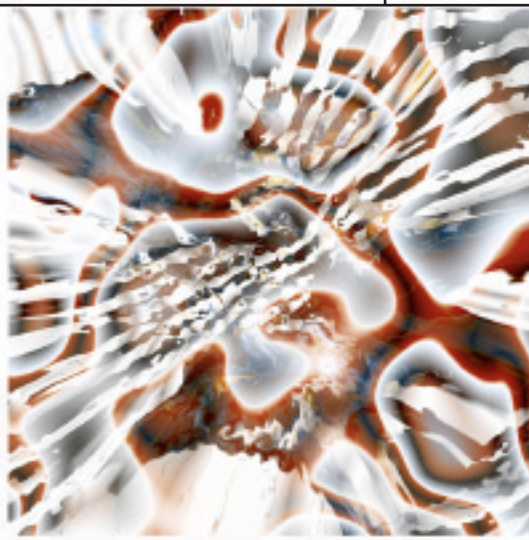
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Every Sunday at 11:45am

Rev Jim Patterson will present his message

live from the Finchley Elim Pentecostal Church,  
Salvation Army Hall, Hertford Road, East Finchley, N2.

Our Sunday morning Family service with facilities for children starts at 11:00am ~ Visitors will always be welcome



## Altered Images

Sy Wager uses computer software to scan in and digitally alter his images, by adding layers of textures and colour to create otherworld forms and landscapes.

These images, having been abstracted by many degrees from their origins, are no longer figurative. They have become refracted facets of eerily familiar alien topographies, illuminated by ethereal light. It is not immediately apparent if these are surface textures or multiple stratifications of immense spatial depth.

Wager's opus is reminiscent of fractal art, and yet these works, albeit rendered digitally, are honed in a painterly fashion.

Sy is 31 years old and has lived in East Finchley for the last 22 years. He started using computers for designing his work in 1998, learning to use the software himself.

Being more of a technical drawer and quite computer literate this was a very easy transition and he has been constantly amazed at the infinite possibilities. All the works on display were created between 1998 and 1999.

The exhibition "FUSION-ISTIC ART" will be at Chorak 122 High Rd, East Finchley from 1 April to 31 May 2001.

**CONTACT** CONTACT, East Finchley's Good Neighbour Scheme, is appealing for **VOLUNTEERS** to support the elderly and housebound who need help in the N2 area. Expenses will be paid and training given. Please call the co-ordinator between 9am and 1pm on 020 8444 1162. **CONTACT**

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