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Reunion
 Stouffville Pentecostal Church original founding members gathered in Latham Hall Saturday for a reunion celebration. The Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Grant headed up the reunion of 80 participants and gathered with children and grandchildren.

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Re/Max finds new home for itself

"Regardless of the fact we moved on Friday 13, we feel we're very much in the right place at the right time," said Ron Good of Re/Max Imperial Realty, following the company's move into prestigious new premises at the Imperial Centre on Sandiford Drive.

The decision to move was made about 15 months ago to facilitate the company's growing need for space, Mr. Good explained. With

Spotlight on business

a total of 7,000 square feet, the new facility is "three times larger than our old offices (on Main Street West). It's one-of-a-kind in Stouffville." The decor

features soft, muted tones of grey and pink, and the offices are light, airy and comfortable.

The Stouffville operation, which was set up in 1985, is one of an international network of independent brokers established in 1973. The offices of the international division are in Denver, Colorado. In 1979, the first Canadian offices were established in Ontario and the Atlantic region.

The local office is one of about 225 in the province which together employ about 5,000 agents. "We have 28 agents here, and we're looking for more people." Part of the reason for the company's success, Mr. Good believes, "is that we attract the top agents in the real estate business. With Re/Max they can be in business for themselves but not by themselves."

He took over ownership of the local operation in March, 1987, and feels the area has enormous potential. "It's just a matter of time until we become a high

growth area." He's a strong believer in community involvement, and the company is a member of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Chamber of Commerce.

Re/Max also supports local baseball teams, assists a number of charities and is active in sponsoring various events for area seniors.



Ron Good, owner of Stouffville's Re/Max Real Imperial Realty Ltd. stands ready for new business challenges after the company's move to larger offices last Friday. The business is located in the Imperial Centre on Sandiford Dr.

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Advertising feature

Wideman store full of Christmas ideas

As the end of October approaches, thoughts turn to Christmas shopping, and the unending search for original and attractive gifts for friends and family.

Wideman Country Stores, on the north side of the Stouffville Road in Gormley, offers a wide range of locally made crafts, delicious candies and decorative English stationery to get you off to a good start.

The new store was opened on March 14th by Beth Foster (Wideman) on the site of the renowned family bakeshop which closed down at the beginning of the year when her parents took a well-deserved retirement.

"We have quilts which come from crib size to queen size, baby items, wickerware, country rugs, hand knitted items and ceramics, as well as some of our old favorites like Mennonite sausages and cheese, fresh eggs, honey, preserves,

homemade noodles and a large variety of pickles," advises Beth. Especially popular is the pickled baby corn, which not only tastes good, but makes an attractive ornament in a country kitchen.

Delicious homemade chocolates in the shape of witches, pumpkins and other Halloween favorites are hard to resist, and it's difficult to leave without trying some of Beth's mother's homemade fudge in maple cream and chocolate flavors, with or without nuts.

Beth has just set up a Christmas tree covered with handmade ornaments, and wreaths featuring Bruce the Moose and Rudi the Reindeer, adorn walls and doors. Even functional items like room deodorizers become a perfect gift choice when they're natively hidden beneath the costume of a pretty country mouse.

If you're looking for a Christmas dress or a hand-

smocked pinafore for your favorite little girl, Wideman's has something for you. Custom-made celebration cakes can also be ordered here. "We do specialty characters like Batman, and every cake is made right from

scratch," emphasizes Beth. The store will also make up gift baskets with items of your choice. While you're visiting Wideman's Country Stores, drop in and admire Len Wideman's beautifully crafted wooden signs,

a very special way to enhance a home or business. Hours at the store are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Friday. Special Christmas hours apply from November. For more information call Beth at 887-5282.



Beth (Wideman) Foster, above, has plenty of Christmas gift ideas to offer customers at Wideman's Country Stores. Crafts, home baking and preserves are just a few of the items available at the store.