



At Christ Church Anglican this fall, Jim and Shirley Rehill applaud a beautiful anthem composed by Eleanor Daley in Jim's honour. Members of the congregation hosted a surprise celebration to mark his 45 years of service at the church. Friends and family later gathered at the Legion Hall for a delicious lunch to commemorate the occasion.

### Sutton Realty sponsors family at Christmas

This Christmas, staff at the Sutton Realty office on Main St. are sponsoring a needy family through the Red Door Family Shelter.

"Judy Smith, who works with us, suggested the idea," said owner John Walley. "Red Door sent us a wish list of things they would like and most of it is clothes and other necessities." The family comprises a couple with three small children aged 5, 7 and 6 months. "They are living on \$1,325, and \$950 of that goes out for rent," explained Mr. Walley.

With donations from everyone in the office, he said, "We can buy food and supply them with a great Christmas." The local Sutton office is putting out a challenge to the other 7,500 agents across Canada to help needy families in their communities.

### Win cash or shopping spree in Stouffville

More than 30 merchants in downtown Stouffville are participating in a great BIA raffle with a first prize of \$500 in cash, as well as \$500 in gifts and certificates.

Second and third prizes of \$500 and \$250 in gifts and certificates are offered, with tickets at just \$5 each. A limited number have been printed and some great prizes are up for grabs including computer hardware and software, floral arrangements, jewellery and pet supplies.

Tickets are available from participating merchants and the draw takes place at 8 p.m. Dec. 5 during the Festival of Lights. All proceeds go to Strawberry Festival 20th Anniversary projects and events.



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## Choir director honoured for 45 years of dedicated service to Christ Church

In October, Stouffville resident Jim Rehill was honoured for more than 45 years of dedicated service at Christ Church Anglican.

Over the years Mr. Rehill has served as chorister, organist and choir director, and members of the congregation decided to hold a surprise celebration at the church, followed by lunch at the Legion hall. When he first walked into

the church, he was surprised to see all his family in attendance. "I had absolutely no idea what was going on. I thought maybe they were there to remember my sister, who died recently," he said.

Doug Simons, who was one of the organizers, said that preparations for the celebration began in January. "The family contacted past members of

the church, and they were all there. We went along with our normal service. After communion, Mark Peters announced what we were doing and Jim was just floored."

A beautiful anthem by Eleanor Daley had been commissioned in Mr. Rehill's honour and at the end of the service Wayne Feasby presented him with a plaque on behalf of the

congregation. "Mr. Rehill's wife, Shirley, used some skillful delaying tactics to keep him in the church until everyone had left for the Legion."

"They got into the car, then she pulled up at the Legion and I realized something was going on," said Mr. Rehill. "When we went in about 250 or 300 people were sitting there. It was an amazing day."

# Merry Christmas


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