

# CBC RADIO PRESENTS A CHRISTMAS CAROL IN SUPPORT OF NYGH



Celebrity readers Natalie, Art, Brian, John, Tedde and Kenneth



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Choir director, Brainerd with Dr. Rutledge, president of NYGH

A near capacity audience was on hand last month at the Church of St. Timothy for an entertaining and charitable dramatic reading of A Christmas Carol. This event was put on by CBC Radio in support of the Senior's Health Centre at North York General Hospital. The celebrity readers included several well known actors, and also featured stirring performances by the Nathaniel Dette Chorale and the Choir of St. Timothy's, both under the direction of Brainerd Blyden-Taylor. As well, there were numerous singalongs of popular carols which the audience enthusiastically participated in. Please visit [www.nygh.on.ca](http://www.nygh.on.ca) for more information.

Event by Bruce Redstone  
Event code: peby2y



Event organizers Mary, from St. Timothy's, with Lauren, Linda & Sara from NYGH



Nathaniel Dette Chorale singers Stephanie, Renae & Alexandra

# PUTTING THE COMMUNITY INTO FOOD BANKS

The North York Harvest, Northview Heights Secondary School and the Bathurst-Finch Network joined together last month to launch the Bathurst-Finch Community Food Bank. This Bathurst-Finch initiative is the product of a year and a half of collaboration and countless neighbourhood meetings. North York Harvest, built on existing community partnerships, looked to the Toronto District School Board to provide the space and local non-profit groups worked together to create a network of support for clients. The target beneficiaries are the new immigrants living in the area, as well as a high number of seniors scraping by on fixed incomes and struggling with health concerns. SNAP commends these thoughtful and generous people for providing an invaluable and long-awaited service to the surrounding area.



Anette Chawla, Executive Director of North York Harvest Food Bank

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Michael, Marina, Lioumita & Irina



Joseph, Irine & Julie



Zinaida, Louise, Olga & Debbie



Charlene, Anette, Gideon & Dee Dee

# BAYVIEW VALU-MART CELEBRATES GRAND RE-OPENING



Dignitaries cut the ribbon for the grand re-opening

The Valu-Mart Store on Bayview Ave, north of Finch, had good reason to celebrate last month. After several months of extensive renovations and improvements, the store re-opened with a brighter and fresher look. There were numerous events and giveaways throughout the day, including a ribbon cutting ceremony featuring local politicians, David Zimmer, MPP, Willowdale, Chungsen Leung, MP, Willowdale and David Shiner, Toronto City Councillor. In commemoration of the re-opening, the owners of the store, Grant and Liz Wilson made a generous donation to the North York Food Bank, accepted by Anette Chawla, Executive Director at the food bank. Please visit [www.northyorkharvest.com/drop-off-locations](http://www.northyorkharvest.com/drop-off-locations) for information about how you can help out the North York Food Bank.

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Store owners Grant and Liz



Mimma & Josie



Robert & Tom



Councillor David Shiner & Steven



Dignitaries cutting the cake!



Fariba & Sam



Peter, putting out some very colorful oranges!



Liz & Brad



Anette (North York Food Bank) and David Zimmer (MPP, Willowdale)



The North York Food Bank was presented with a cheque from ValuMart



Grant and Liz were presented with a certificate from Chungsen Leung (MP, Willowdale)