

Childhood Cancer Foundation Canada Candlelighters

Father of child cancer survivor keeps a cool head this summer

BARRIE, June 27, 2003 – Today Dave Munro, father of nine-year-old childhood cancer survivor, Hannah, will shave his waist-length hair to raise money for the Childhood Cancer Foundation ~ Candlelighters Canada. The event will take place at Southlake Regional Health Centre at 10 a.m.



Munro has been growing his hair for over four years with the expectation that one day he could raise money for the charity that supported his family through his daughter's illness. He challenged his coworkers at the Southlake Regional Health Centre and members of his community to pull together and bid on the opportunity to shave his head. The winners, the Ultrasound Department, will cut off his long ponytail for donation to a wig-making organization and shave the rest of it to commemorate his daughter's chemotherapy. So far he has collected over \$2300, an amount that continues to grow with the fantastic support of his friends at Southlake, families from Hannah's dance school, Dance Vision, in Barrie and the Simcoe County District School Board's Special Education Advisory Committee.

"I am thrilled to raise money for Candlelighters. It's a great way to give back to the organization that has done so much for my family and me," said Munro. "With the help of my friends, not only can I donate some money, but I can also help raise awareness of childhood cancer and Candlelighters."

The Childhood Cancer Foundation ~ Candlelighters Canada is a national registered charity dedicated to improving the quality of life for families living with the effects of childhood cancer and funding research for this disease. The money raised by Munro's event will go directly to fund research.

“Dave Munro is an active and valuable member of the Candlelighters network,” said Albert Lee, Marketing Communications and Special Projects Manager for Candlelighters. “His grassroots community effort is one of the most substantial individual donations we will receive this fiscal year. His single-handed fundraiser is a testament to the types of selfless works these parents undertake for their children.”

To make a donation to Munro's fundraiser, check out the website at www.candlelighters.ca, or call 1-800-363-1062.

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