

CDDHS to host the Amazing Race

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Julie Senese's Grade 12 Business Leadership class at Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS) will be hosting the 4th annual 'Hair Off for Headwaters' at the school.

Hair Off for Headwaters is a fundraiser benefitting Headwaters Hospital in Orangeville.

Last year's event raised over \$5,000, bringing the total raised to over \$135,000 for the Cancer Care Program at Headwaters through several students cutting their hair.

Now in its 15th year overall, Hair Off for Headwaters began at CDDHS when a former teacher was diagnosed with bladder cancer and saw a need for fundraising to benefit the local hospital.

'This is the fourth year that my Grade 12 Business Leadership class has taken this event on as a class project,' says Ms. Senese. 'The project is treated like a business in that the class is split into various departments each with their own manager and I act as CEO. The project teaches them a lot about working with others, group dynamics, communication, deadlines and project management.'

Leading up to the main event, Senese's students held a series of smaller fundraisers to raise money and awareness, including walking around at lunch with a jug asking for donations, which was also part of the class project to raise funds.

This year, the students have added the Amazing Race, which will take place this Thursday, May 19, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The race will consist of teams of two and will start at the school. Participants will have various challenges, roadblocks and detours to complete around the Town of Shelburne, with a prize being awarded to the team who completes the race with the fastest time.

The Hair Off portion of this fundraiser will take place in the CDDHS gymnasium, where students will be able to watch other students cut off their hair, for a ticket buy-in of \$3. The haircut will take place on Friday, May 27.

'This is a good source of fundraising money,' says Senese. 'Local businesses within our community are very generous and donate items to be used as door prizes and prizes for every participant who cut their hair.'

Students taking part have to raise a minimum of \$100 to participate and then get their hair cut, shaved or waxed.