

## Workers headline hospital mane event

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MISSISSAUGA -- Andre Holness and 12 fellow Trillium Health Centre employees showed sheer courage yesterday when their various straight, curly or cornrow locks were shorn to raise money for cancer patients.

But it was the hair-raising experience of Holness, 24, which was the boldest.

An environmental associate and janitorial employee at the hospital on The Queensway, he began growing his hair in Grade 11.

That came to an end when a volunteer from Michaelangelo Barber Shop & Hair Stylists on Dundas St. W. transformed Holness into baldness.

"It's really going to be cool for summer," he said before tying up the huge handful of lost locks, admitting being a bit nervous about showing his new style to his mom Maureen, who also works in the same building.

Infant and child development services manager Lorna Montgomery had her long blond mini-braids buzzed off, fulfilling a promise she made 18 months ago.

Kevin Marley, 24, who now works at Toronto East General Hospital, couldn't resist coming back and joining former colleagues "to support the cause."

Onlookers applauded the music video that showed photos of patients and staff, accompanied by stroke clinic clerk Shannan Quinn's recording of her song Do You Miss Me, dedicated "as a memorial to those we've loved and a reminder for everyone to keep working for the cause."

Maintenance representative Dave Tomaz, organizer of the hospital's fifth "Shave to Save" staff event, held the first in 2005 after losing several relatives to cancer including his dad, Venancio.

He presented a \$7,500 cheque to Trillium Health Centre Foundation president and CEO Steve Hoscheit.