

# Hair for Hope in Port Hope

## Family cuts hair for cancer

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PORT HOPE -- The women of Port Hope's Wilson family hope their hair will make a difference for cancer patients. From left, Grace, Georgia, Kate and Olivia cut their locks at Nirvana Hair Studio on Saturday, Nov. 6 for the Locks Of Love program. - Jason Chamberlain / Northumberland News

PORT HOPE -- The Wilson family of Port Hope has found a fun and easy way to lend a helping hand to cancer patients.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, Kate Wilson brought her daughters Olivia, Grace and Georgia to Nirvana Hair Studio in Port Hope where all four had a large portion of their hair cut off. The cut hair will be donated to Locks of Love, an initiative which creates wigs for cancer patients who have lost their own hair during treatment.

Young Olivia, 10, was the first to cut her hair for a school project. Her family followed suit and Saturday was the second time they donated their locks.

"It's our family thing," said Ms. Wilson with a smile as she watched her daughters take their turns in the barber chairs. "It's nice to be able to help out with something as easy as growing your hair. It always grows back."

Ms. Wilson, Olivia and Grace, eight, were all cutting their hair for the second time while five-year-old Georgia donated hers for the very first time. All three girls were pleased to help out, but Grace was all smiles throughout the process.

"It's a pretty good lesson, for them to do something that helps others," said Ms. Wilson. "I'm very proud of them."

All three girls hadn't told anyone about their plans in advance and were looking forward to seeing the surprised faces of their classmates and teachers in school on Monday.

Olivia, whose school project got the family tradition started, liked her new hairstyle and was happy to know her old hair would give someone else a new style too.

"I know a lot of people need it more than I do because they have lost it to very sad causes," she said. "It feels good to know we're all helping."



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