

Local woman to walk 25km to help conquer cancer

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Georgetown resident Kim Dort and her friends will be walking 25 km through Toronto this Saturday (Sept. 12) to help conquer cancer.

That's like walking from Georgetown District High school to Acton District High School (13 km) and back again. She figures she will do it in five hours.

She will be among hundreds of people participating in The Shoppers Drug Mart® OneWalk to Conquer Cancer benefiting Princess Margaret Cancer Centre.

Previously, this fundraiser was held over two days, with participants walking 32 km on Saturday and 28 km on Sunday. It was known as the Weekend to End Women's Cancers.

Dort, who did the two-day walk for the past three years, has mixed feelings about the change. She feels one day of walking is too easy.

"We will go away with a few

blisters but that is nothing compared to what people with cancer go through," Dort, 41, says.

Her individual goal is to raise \$1,500. But her team, the Sole Sisters, has already raised almost \$8,000.

"One person can make a difference. I say to people who want to donate; it doesn't matter if you want to give 10 cents or \$10, every bit helps," Dort says.

She decided to get involved in raising funds for cancer research after her friend told her about the experience.

"You see little kids along the route waiting for their mom, and they thank you for walking. It's so emotional," she says.

"This year was going to be my last year and then Addison happened. For every ounce of faith I've had in my life, this has made me question it," Dort says.

Cancer claimed 7-year-old Addison Jenner Rolke's life on June 16. She was a school mate of Dort's

11-year-old twin boys at Silver Creek Public School in Georgetown South.

This year, Dort is walking for the Jenner Rolke family and for her mother-in-law who has lung cancer. She will also be thinking about many friends and relatives that have had cancer.

"The strength each of these people has shown in the wake of a cancer diagnosis is simply awe-inspiring, and with every step, I'll hope and pray one day there is a cure," she says.

Every day, over 500 Canadians are diagnosed with cancer and more than 200 Canadians die from the disease. The critical funding raised through OneWalk supports the mission at The Princess Margaret: to conquer cancer in our lifetime, says Paul Alofs, the President and CEO of The Princess Margaret Cancer Foundation in a press release.

For more information or to donate visit: www.onewalk.ca.



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An Adult Co-Ed league that plays Tuesday / Wednesday nights from October to April in local Halton Hills schools.

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All females interested can sign up from competitive to recreational divisions.

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