

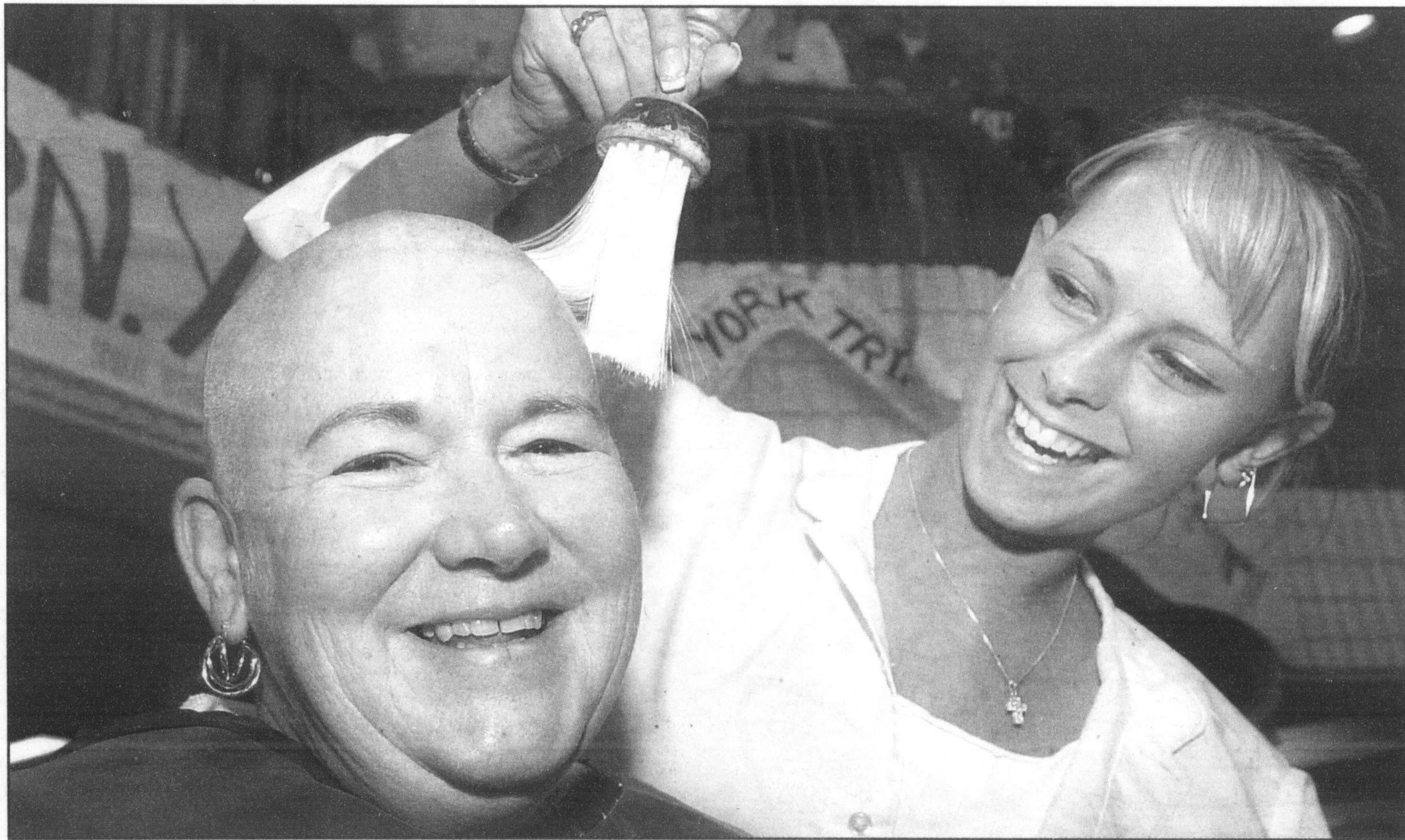


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## Clean sweep

Susan Woodruff, an educational assistant at E.C. Drury High School, gets a final brush-off from head shaver and cosmetology student Jessica McKee. Ms Woodruff was one of 19 staff members and students who took part in the Cut for the Cure fundraiser. See more coverage of the event on page 8.

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## Inmate may be linked to missing man

By **STEPHANIE THIESSEN**  
*The Champion*

A man who may have held valuable information about the whereabouts of Joseph Manchisi is dead.

But police said the investigation into Mr. Manchisi's November disappearance will continue forging ahead.

Early Friday morning, 36-year-old Mississauga resident Douglas Moore was found dead in his cell at Maplehurst Correctional Centre.

Halton Regional Police Det. Sgt. Don Cousens said Mr. Moore probably committed suicide.

"It certainly looks that way," he said.

Mr. Moore was arrested last month by Halton Region Police at a Burlington motel and charged

by Peel Regional Police with a handful of sex-related charges involving young boys.

Rick De Facendis, acting homicide inspector with Peel Regional Police, said Mr. Moore was a "person of interest" in the disappearance of Milton's Giuseppe 'Joseph' Manchisi, 20, and a Mississauga man he was believed to be with, 22-year-old Robert Grewal.

"The fact that Mr. Moore died recently won't cause us to stop investigating or change our course," Insp. De Facendis said.

Police are also investigating a link between Mr. Moore and Mississauga murder victim Rene Charlebois, 15, whose remains were found March 19 in an Orangeville-area landfill.

Joseph Manchisi's father, also named Joseph Manchisi, said in an interview with The Champion

that in his heart of hearts he thinks his son is dead.

"I think he's gone. That's what I think," said a broken-sounding Mr. Manchisi, who runs an area restaurant and real estate company.

Last month, police told Mr. Manchisi and family members they believed the two missing men had met with foul play.

Mr. Manchisi said he's frustrated with the lack of information he's received, adding he gets most of it from newspapers.

Police recently took a DNA sample from him and his other son, Mr. Manchisi said.

"Once you get someone looking at DNA, there must be something they're not telling," he said.

An inquest will be held into Mr. Moore's death. Stephanie Thiessen can be reached at [sthiessen@miltoncanadianchampion.com](mailto:sthiessen@miltoncanadianchampion.com).

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