

Shaving the way

Fund-raiser helps fight pediatric cancer

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For the second year in a row, on St. Patrick's Day, Madeleine's Petit Paris French Restaurant and Catering in Northvale hosted a fund-raiser in support of the St. Baldrick's Foundation, which helps raise money for the fight against pediatric cancer.

Sharon Flesch, owner of Northvale salon Headlines by Pantana, was there shaving the way towards a cure. From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., over 45 people walked through the doors to go under the buzzer. Ages of those receiving a shave ranged from 10 to 89.

Dr. Michael Harris from Hackensack University Medical Center made a special appearance, and even got the opportunity to shave Gaspard Coloz, owner and head chef of Madeleine's Petit Paris.

One shavee, Lenny DeRienzo of Northvale, told Northern Valley Press that the opportunity to help kids with cancer drove him to participate in this fund-raiser.

He added, laughing, "And, I figured I didn't have that much hair anyway, so it wouldn't make that much of a difference."

Over \$4,000 was graciously raised during the event by those getting shaved, sponsors and through donations. Over 80 peo-



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Shawn, 16, of Northvale takes his turn in the chair as Sharon Flesch works her magic.

ple made an appearance at Madeleine's to support the endeavor.

Madeleine's Petit Paris is located at 416 Tappan Road in Northvale. For more information,

call them at (201) 767-0063 or visit their Web site at madeleine-spetitparis.com. Headlines by Pantana is located at 137-B Paris Ave. in Northvale. Call them at (201) 767-0097.

To get involved in this cause of fighting pediatric cancer, or to find out more about the St. Baldrick's Foundation, visit the organization's Web site at www.stbaldricks.org.