Demolition Derby and raising funds for “Operation Enfant Soleil”

For the FamiliPrix Pharmacy 2462 in Mansonville, the upcoming Demolition Derby being held at the Bedford Agricultural Fair on August 9, 2019 will be the perfect opportunity for pharmacists, Cathy Riendeau and David Rousseau to enter a car and raise funds to benefit “Operation Enfant Soleil.”

A demolition derby is a sporting event in which competitors collide voluntarily while driving old motor vehicles. It is a competition where the last driver in the arena who can still move properly is crowned victorious. It is the last stop for obsolete cars before going to the recycling. For Riendeau and Rousseau (who will be driving the car representing their pharmacy at the event), this seemed like the perfect opportunity to have fun and raise funds for a great cause.

“As part of our job as a pharmacist, it is common for us to develop very close links with our patients,” explains Riendeau. “When they go through hardships concerning their health, we are often among the first to become their confidants.”

The funds raised at the event through sponsorship and support will allow the donation to help large pediatric centers in Quebec to equip themselves with state-of-the-art equipment; regional hospitals to purchase equipment for children and provide care close to families as well as helping organizations working in social and physical health to acquire specialized equipment for young people.

“Over the years, so many deeply moving situations involving seriously ill young children have brought us some very strong emotions,” said Rousseau. “We appreciate the kindness shown by so many who have supported us in contributing to our participant page at: http://dons.operationensfanteSOLEIL.ca/Pages/Partners/Partner.aspx?partner=775. Those who wish to make a donation can also stop by the pharmacy (316 Principale, Mansonville) to make a contribution in person. The duo has made an objective to reach $5000 and have already managed to raise over $4000 to date. Any donation in any amount helps and brings them closer to their goal.

Since opening a pharmacy in Mansonville, Riendeau and Rousseau have become a special part of the community. The two, along with a dynamic staff team have given their support and time to many events and organizations in the area. This fun fundraising initiative is a great opportunity for the community to show the two support in this, a fundraising cause dear to their hearts.