Westdale barber apologizes
Says no offence intended, but just isn't good at cutting women's hair
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The owner of the Westdale Barber Shop, where a woman was refused a haircut this week, would like to apologize.

After winning a voucher for a free haircut in a silent auction, 38-year-old Lyla Miklos went into the Westdale Barber Shop for a cut. While waiting her turn, she was told by Angemi he doesn't cut women's hair.

Angemi said he did receive training in cutting women's hair, but it was 13 years ago during his apprenticeship.

"I'm sorry if I hurt anybody's feelings. It wasn't my intention." - Phil Angemi, barbershop owner "I never said I was good at it," he said. "It's part of the reason I turned to (the) barbershop ... because that's just what my skill set was, and I just felt like that was going to be my future."

Angemi said if Miklos still wants her hair cut, she can come back to the shop, and he'll cut it.

"Otherwise, we'll make sure whatever she paid ... I just want her to be compensated and taken care of."

When told about Angemi's offer by a Spectator reporter, Miklos replied, "Well, that's an unexpected pleasant surprise."

"I need to think on that," she said about whether she would prefer a haircut or compensation for her certificate.