

Thursday fundraiser to aid teen

A fundraiser is being held on Thursday, August 30 for 17-year-old Erika Crawford, who has been just recently diagnosed with Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome.

Erika, now of St. George, is a former resident of Georgetown and her teen cousins and friends living here are organizing the event.

The fundraiser will help offset the cost of an urgent operation that is only performed in the United States, and which could top \$50,000 U.S.

Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome attacks Erika's ability to produce collagen, which is necessary to keep the joints, bones and all vital organs together. She needs an operation immediately to stabilize her skull on the top of her spinal column as the looseness of her joints is



ERIKA CRAWFORD

causing her head to fall forward and place pressure on her main artery and spinal cord, which could result in stroke and even death.

The fundraiser, Hope for Erika, is being held 4-8 p.m. at Delrex Parkette, 317 Delrex Blvd., east of Mountainview Rd., between Metcalfe Ct. and Greystone Cres. Enjoy a barbecue, face painting, singing, dancing and raffles. Donations can also be made at any CIBC branch under the account, #02-952-8490783.

For more information visit www.hope-for-erika.tumblr.com or join Hope for Erika facebook group: <http://www.facebook.com/events/219653754826913/>

Wednesday, August 29

Job Fair: hosted by VPI, in partnership with Maple Ave. Baptist Church, at the church, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Numerous employers have signed on to participate. Dress for success and bring your resume. Pre-registration is required— 905-873-9816. Resume assistance is available at no cost. Maple Avenue Baptist Church is located at 177 Maple Ave. in Georgetown.

Bruce Trail Morning hike: Level 1, 5-6 km loop hike on local trails. Depart at 9:30 a.m. from the Georgetown Market Place parking lot between Zellers

Community Calendar

and the grey medical building. Bring water and snacks. Lunch at a local eatery after the hike. Leader: Maureen, 905-873-9757 mosmith@cogeco.ca

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Tai Chi in the park: free Tai Chi practice in Dominion Gardens Park (near Maple Ave. entrance), 7:15 p.m. weather permitting.

Limehouse Memorial Hall Board euchre: 7:30 p.m. All welcome.

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