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## FRIENDS RAISE AWARENESS FOR EPILEPSY WITH FIRST ANNUAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Only 4 months after they lost their best friend to SUDEP (Sudden Unexplained Death in Epilepsy), Jordan Fawcett's friends rally together to organize a memorial basketball tournament in her memory.

The Jordan Fawcett Memorial 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament will take place at the Grey Highlands Secondary School in Flesherton on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 9am–4pm. "Jordan had a love for the sport, so it's only appropriate to celebrate her life through her passion of basketball," her friends proudly state on their community FaceBook page.

Jordan Fawcett a student at Grey Highlands Secondary School passed away at the young age of 15, only months after being diagnosed with epilepsy. "March 26 was a special day for Jordan," her parents David and Debbie Fawcett say, as she had planned to get her school to participate in Purple Day; an international effort dedicated to increasing awareness of epilepsy worldwide. It's a day to wear purple in support and to help spread the word about epilepsy.

With the help from teachers and staff at the high school, the first annual tournament promises to be a fun day with many great games of basketball and memories. Teams of all ages and from all over Grey, Bruce, and Simcoe Counties have registered to join in this commemorative event. Preliminary games will be played in the morning, and the excitement of the finals will be after lunch.

All proceeds will go to the Jordan Fawcett Memorial Fund and to epilepsy awareness and SUDEP.

For more information on the tournament call or email Brett MacMillan at 519-986-2961 or [brett\\_macmillan@hotmail.com](mailto:brett_macmillan@hotmail.com). For more information on Purple Day visit [www.purpleday.org](http://www.purpleday.org) and if you would like to learn more about SUDEP visit [www.sudepaware.org](http://www.sudepaware.org).

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