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Hunter having cancer has affected not only his life, but his parents' as well.

"It put our life on hold," said Molly, who is also drives bus P-4 for the school. "I just started doing my bus route again."

For Hunter, a regular day is much different than it used to be.

"I sometimes wake up with a mild headache, then I go shoot my bow, and sleep," said Rohl. "I always try to walk around the house for exercise."

In the midst of all of the bad things happening there is still hope among family and friends of Hunter Rohl.

"My outlook on the future is positive because he can kick cancer's butt just like he did before," said Smith.

Tolen also has high hopes for his friend's in the future.

"My outlook on the future is extremely positive because Hunter is one of the toughest people I

know, and he won't ever stop fighting," said Tolen.

All of these people are correct, Hunter can and did kick cancer's butt once again. On September 24, Hunter was in remission. The doctors determined this by removing bone marrow while he was under anesthesia; the doctors determined he was in the clear.

According to the Caring Bridge website, Hunter was given the okay to go to restaurants, movies, hang with family and friends outside, hunt and fish and with several exceptions, Hunter is able to resume most of his regular activities.

Also according to Caring Bridge, Hunter will have to receive chemotherapy, steroids and other medications for the next few years.

The five year survival rate for leukemia is 50 percent. That is yet another category that Hunter will fall into.

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Minton plans to lose locks

"As a parent, I can't imagine going through cancer with a child once, much less a second time," said office secretary Pam Minton.

Minton is one of the many people involved in raising funds for cancer patients such as Rohl, but will be going about this in a more interesting manner.

"I want the students to have a challenge to raise the \$1000 and I will buzz my hair," said Minton.

What? That's nuts. Why would she buzz her hair? Doesn't she realize how odd she will look?

"I don't have a problem with shaving my head," said Minton. "It's just hair. Everyone needs to realize it is just hair. My hair will grow back. Some people dealing with cancer don't have that option, they will lose their hair."

Minton plans to grow her hair out until May when, if the set amount of \$1000 is raised, she will buzz her head completely and donate the money raised to Rohl and his family.

If the \$1000 is not raised, what money there is will still be donated to Rohl and his family and the hair will be

donated to the non-profit organization, Locks of Love.

Three others, sophomore Tristan Rogers, seventh grader Emily Leone and science teacher Melissa Higgins will also be donating some of their hair in May to Locks of Love. If anyone is interested in also donating hair or money, go to Minton for more information.

Students have several ways of raising funds for Hunter and his family. Buying pieces of gum, water packets and ice cream on Wednesday are some ways to support this cause. The money raised will in the end go to help Hunter and his family.

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