

To The Family of Aubrey Rose Hollenkamp,

I'm Olivia Browning. I'm 13 years old and am currently an 8th grader at St. Boniface School in Northside. I was very touched by Aubrey Rose Hollenkamp's story. Like Aubrey, I try to put a smile on everyone's faces that I come in contact with.

I helped reestablished The Junior Legion of Mary at St. Boniface. This group focuses on efforts to help and assist the elderly. We write cards to shut-ins, visit the elderly at nursing homes, and help with daily tasks that might be difficult for the elderly to now do. I enjoy doing this because the smiles on their faces make me smile. I learn a lot from them. I don't look at them by how old they are, but by who they are as a person.

I volunteer at St. Vincent DePaul's food pantry. I'm glad I'm able to help all different types of families. I've come to realize how lucky I am. After seeing people getting excited over simple items such as dish soap and being able to pick out a dessert, I appreciate everything that I have that I use to take for granted.

I love playing with children. I have six nieces and nephews. I also babysit. I not only learned from the elderly, but I also learned a lot from spending time with young children. We also have buddies with the younger children at school. Currently my buddy is McKenzie and she is in Kindergarten. I help learn with her letters, colors, months, and words. I enjoy making them smile and laugh.

I think by interacting with my community and with helping the elderly and children, I have come to the conclusion that I would like to become a doctor when I'm older. By doing so, I believe I can give even more back to my community.

I hope to continue to put a smile on people's faces as I continue my journey into high school. I'm sorry for the loss of Aubrey Rose Hollenkamp. Thank you for providing this opportunity in her name.

Sincerely,

Olivia Browning