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Laura Hunt, a longtime member of the Palisade community, was recently diagnosed with cervical cancer. She and her husband, Rodney, have no health insurance and are making frequent trips to Omaha for surgeries and treatment.

Since it's a huge drain on them financially and emotionally, a group of supporters have stepped up to start a 'TEAM LAURA Fan Club' of sorts, with the mission to keep her spirits up as well as raise money to help cover part of their mounting travel and medical expenses.

TEAM LAURA wristbands were devised as a tangible way for community members, friends and family to physically show their support for the Hunt family. The wristbands arrived in Palisade on Friday, Dec. 7, and be available at participating (and very supportive) local businesses in Palisade, Wauneta, Hayes Center and Trenton.

Nearly every business in Palisade has offered to sell the bands, as well as Crossroads and Good Times Bar in Wauneta.

Teal in color, to symbolize cervical cancer awareness, the adult-sized wristbands are a perfect way for you to wear your heart right by your sleeve. The hope is to get enough wristbands distributed so that wherever the Hunt family travels close to home, they will see the loving support of the community known as southwest Nebraska.

The wristbands are being sold for a suggested donation price of $5.

Rodney and Laura have raised their eight kids in Palisade, putting them through the Wauneta-Palisade school district. Their youngest, Donald Ray (D Ray), is a senior.

The Hunts have served in numerous volunteer capacities for their community, and have always stepped up for community members in need.

A TEAM LAURA Facebook page is up, and out-of-area supporters also have the option to purchase the wristbands on eBay and have them shipped.