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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK **Chasing that Make Water** Work championship

MAYOR CINDY FORTIN COMMENTARY

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PEACHLAND VIEW BURSARY contest winner Zac Callaghan will be studying nursing at the University of Alberta this fall. The bursary will help, since he will also be playing football for the Golden Bears and won't be able to work. View office administrator Annick Stoltz and sales representative Paul Graydon delivered the good news last week. The View thanks all applicants for the effort put into their essays.

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Enjoy your summer and please feel free to contact me at any time. I will be taking some holiday days in the later half of July, but back at it in August. If you have any immediate concerns, please contact the District office at 250.767.2647.

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