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Background Notes from the Mayor's Desk – June 2017

Spring is a time to celebrate :)

I had some choices to write about this month; taxes, broadband, potholes, weed control - but I'm going to change it up a bit, flip the attitude switch, and write about why I'm so proud to live where I do, and to encourage each of you to feel that same pride, and to celebrate each day.

The May Queen/King fundraiser just finished at Sundre High School with \$42,161 raised by incredible kids with unbelievable support from parents and staff, and this phenomenal community. This community event has been imitated by many but never equalled. Thank a student, parent, teacher, or any community business or person who supported this opportunity to honour community involvement and participation in raising kids with such a strong community connection. May Queen is living proof that great parents and teachers are raising great community minded kids who will begin their adult lives knowing they have a responsibility to be involved and continuously improve their communities.

All of us want to be outside when the weather turns Spring-like. Get out on the trails that we have to enjoy and celebrate where we live. Wander into our businesses and say thank you for all the support for all the winter fundraisers, tournaments, and all that businesses do to keep all our local organizations going. Search out a volunteer to thank while you are at it.

Have a picnic by the river, or the creek, ride your bike, check out the Farmer's Market, spend some time on the Snake Hill trails and marvel at the different colours of the wildflowers and the views of the mountains, while you keep a look out for wildlife :) We live close to nature by choice and we have to keep our heads up to be safe.

Take a trip out west and search for wild horses, spend some time by the river, paddle, swim, explore the trails, welcome some of the tourists who choose to drive a long way to experience what we all take for granted. Get together with your neighbours for a community Barbecue, or just relax and soak in where we have chosen to live, and celebrate.

Make sure to attend the parade, go to the Rodeo, check out the Museum, and get ready to celebrate Canada's 150th birthday. We live in the greatest country on earth, in such an incredible community. We can all be so very proud, and we should celebrate - every day.

Thank you to each and every one of you who choose to contribute to make Sundre and District such a wonderful place to live, work, play, and raise a family.

Please call me at home ([403-638-3535](tel:403-638-3535)) or on my cell phone ([403-559-7352](tel:403-559-7352)) if you want to chat about any of the information above, or any other topic, like taxes, broadband, potholes, or weed control :) - but celebrate first :)

Terry Leslie, Mayor
Town of Sundre