

## 2021 Mandavia Scholarship Awarded

The Mandavia Scholarship is valued at \$500 and is provided by Dr. Sharad and Mrs. Lavina Mandavia – both long time employees (now retired) from Central Health. Together they worked at the Central Newfoundland Regional Health Centre for a total of 50 years.

The Mandavia Scholarship is awarded each year to a student who demonstrates high achievement at a post-secondary institution and a history of community involvement.



This year's winner is **Parker Glavine of Buchans**. Parker's mom, Anna, is employed with Medical Records at A. M. Guy Memorial Health Centre.

Parker is presently a student at the Centre for Nursing Studies at Memorial University, completing his fourth year of a Bachelor of Sciences in Nursing.

Parker has been an avid volunteer in his community throughout his high school and university years and continues to give back to the youth and seniors in the community. His involvement and volunteer experiences include over 160 hours in the long-term care facility at A.M. Guy Memorial and at the James Hornell Boy's and Girl's Club at home in Buchans.

Since attending university, Parker has also been involved in community work. He became a volunteer-coordinator with the MUN Stem Cell Club, where he was involved in educating people on the importance of stem cell donation to those with blood cancers and disorders. This also involved swabbing potential donors to get them signed up on the stem cell donation registry with Canadian Blood Services.

Parker not only maintains a Grade Point Average of 3.14, but a full slate of volunteer activities. Parker is part of a team of volunteers with the NL Sexual Health Centre 2SLGBTQIA Warmline, and has since become a Resident Assistant and continues to use his skills in counselling to respond to student scenarios from mental health crises to roommate conflicts, and other emergencies. He has recently been promoted to Senior Resident assistant, managing a team of nine resident assistants.

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**Tammy Card, Manager of Site Operations at A. M. Guy Memorial Health Centre in Buchans, on behalf of Central Health and Dr. Sharad and Mrs. Lavina Mandavia, presented Parker with the 2021 Mandavia Family Scholarship cheque of \$500. On Hand for the presentation was Parker's mom, Anna Glavine, a Medical Records employee at the A. M. Guy memorial Health Centre.**

