

## County recognizes outstanding youth of 2010

Councillors presented four outstanding rural students with the Mountain View County Citizenship Award for 2010 during Wednesday's Regular Council meeting.

The award, which recognizes the contributions made by the recipients within their communities, is given yearly to one graduating Mountain View County student from each of the high schools within County boundaries. Recipients are selected based on their Involvement in extra-curricular activities, academic excellence, enthusiasm, initiative, leadership abilities, and positive attitude towards school and community.

"This year's recipients are prime examples of what being a citizen is all about. In addition to making extra-curricular contributions to their communities through student Council, volunteering, coaching and mentoring youth in the community, each of this year's applicants also performed well academically and showed great enthusiasm for serving their communities," says Reeve Al Kemmere.

Congratulations to our 2010 recipients: Brandon Morgan (High Sutherland High School, Carstairs), Kathleen Pereversoff (Cremona High School), Alison Graf (Didsbury High School) and Brendan Bullock (Olds High School). No eligible applications from Sundre High School were received in 2010.



(From L to R): Councillors Liz Negroptones, Kathy Blain and Gerald Ingeveld; Alison Graf (2010 Recipient, Didsbury), Reeve Al Kemmere; Brandon Morgan (2010 Recipient, Carstairs); Councillors Everett Page, Gwen Day and Lana Yakimchuk.

## Animal Control Bylaw allows more flexibility

*New bylaw allows more dogs, transition period in place until December 2011*

Mountain View County landowners will enjoy more flexibility and clarity when it comes to the possession of animals on their property. On Wednesday, July 7, Council approved Bylaw No. 08/10, the Animal Control Bylaw, incorporating some minor changes suggested by the County's Policies and Priorities Committee. The Animal Control Bylaw deals with items involving the regulation of animals that are not covered by the Land Use Bylaw, a revised version of which was approved on June 30, 2010.

According to Michelle Honeyman, Manager of Community Services, the big change most people will notice is that the number of dogs they can legally possess on their property has increased "The old Land Use Bylaw permitted residents to have only one dog on their property. In most areas of the County, you can now have up to three dogs, depending upon the zoning classification of your land, and up to five in others," says Honeyman. The new bylaw also enables dog owners to get a permit for their dog at the County Office, rather than a development permit.


Honeyman added that the final number of dogs specified in the Animal Control Bylaw was the number recommended by the Land Use Bylaw Review Committee during their review of that document. Landowners with more than five dogs on their property are still regulated by the Land Use Bylaw, and will require a kennel permit to come into compliance.

Other areas not regulated by the Animal Control Bylaw include:

- Livestock on properties larger than 4.05 ha (10.0ac) located in an agricultural district designated pursuant to the Land Use Bylaw.
- Working dogs if they are solely for protecting and herding of the dog owner's livestock. If the working dogs are raised to be sold then a Breeding and Boarding Services permit is required.
- Cats
- Breeding and Boarding Services, including kennels.

Another added benefit of the Animal Control Bylaw, according to Honeyman, is that it will be easier, and cheaper, to amend and keep current than the Land Use Bylaw should the need arise. The bylaw also covers the number of livestock animal units permitted on various parcels. (For specific information, please see backgrounder attached)

For landowners who do not meet the conditions of the new Animal Control Bylaw, there is a transition period in place. Individuals who exceed the number of animals at the time of approval may apply for a permit free-of-charge until December 31, 2011. This does not apply to individuals who have animals in numbers that would require a development permit.

 <b>Assessment inspections will be taking place on all properties in the following area(s):</b>	29-5-5
	29-6-5

### Road Watch - - - - - July 2010

**Southwest Quadrant**

- Road maintenance-surface grading
- Ditching, Sign maintenance
- Culvert repairs
- Patching (cold mix)
- Calcium applications, Re-graveling
- Chip seal coating (County or contractor)
- Site line brushing
- Grass mowing - Collector Roads only

**ATTENTION:** Watch for roads with year - round weight restrictions.

**Volunteer for Your County**

**Apply for an Appointment to the: Cremona and District Fire and Emergency Authorities Committee**

Mountain View County is seeking volunteers from the public with appropriate experience and knowledge to fill two positions on the Cremona and District Fire and Emergency Authorities Committee. This is an opportunity for you to get involved and represent your community.


If you are interested in serving on this committee, please complete an Application for Appointment. The term for this committee is 2 years.

If you are interested in serving on this committee, please complete an Application for Appointment. These are available:

- At the County Office: 1408 Twp Rd 320, Didsbury, AB (8 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
- On the County website: [www.mountainviewcounty.com](http://www.mountainviewcounty.com)
- By calling Vicki Lodermeier: 403-335-3311 ext. 218

Deadline for applications is *Friday, July 30, 2010.*



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