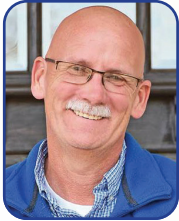




Love Your City!

FROM THE CITY OF BRYANT ARKANSAS

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Mayor's Corner FEBRUARY 2020

Planning ahead with 2020 Vision

Happy Valentines Day! Since we are surrounded this month with the theme of Love, I thought it would be a great time to roll out a way for you to get involved — and show how much you Love your City.

In 2000 the Greater Bryant Chamber of Commerce led an effort to help cast a vision for our city simply titled BRYANT 2020. Over a time period of several months, they met with city leaders, residents of Bryant and business owners to help cast a vision of what was missing in our city.

Those involved in this plan are proud to see that many of the ideas that developed through this process of listening to you, the community, have now been fulfilled. The Center at Bishop Park, the Bryant Senior Center, and the Bryant Boys and Girls clubs are just a few that immediately come to mind.

With the fulfillment of Bryant 2020, I am pleased to announce that once again The City and the Greater Bryant Chamber of Commerce are partnering up for the next strategic planning session and we need your input now more than ever.

The conversation for the Bryant 2040 Strategic Plan will begin at the March 7th Coffee with The Mayor at Bishop Park.

We are planning on revisiting the previous strategic plan, with your suggestions and recommendations we will begin the process of developing Bryant 2040.

This plan will be used to set priorities, focus energy and resources of the city, and strengthen city operations. It will help ensure that the city and residents are working toward common goals and outcomes. When completed, regular reviews will be conducted to ensure that the city is moving in the right direction. We will have numerous meetings with residents, business owners, the city, and the chamber so we can have the highest amount of input possible. The city and the chamber look forward to better defining the future and vision of Bryant.

We hope to see you at 9:00 AM on March 7th at Bishop Park.

Thank you, *Mayor Allen E. Scott*

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Meet Crystal Winkler – Finance Coordinator I

Crystal has been with the city a little over a year, and in finance for the past 2 months.



“I enjoy working for the city because it gives me the opportunity to help people, and it allows me to be an active member of my hometown.”

SPRING Clean up

DON'T FORGET - Your Spring Clean Up Schedule is now up to you!

With the City of Bryant Yard Waste Program you can choose a clean up time around your schedule. Just let us know when you are ready and city staff will come by on the 2nd or 4th Tuesday of the month to pick up yard debris. Create a ticket by clicking on the Report a Concern tab on the city website – www.cityofbryant.com – or call our public works department 501-943-0468.

MEETING CALENDAR



PLANNING COMMISSION 6:00 PM
Second Monday of Each Month | Feb 10 & Mar 9

CITY COUNCIL 6:30 PM
Last Tuesday of Each Month | Feb 25 & Mar 31



ANIMAL CONTROL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

02/13/20 • **K-9 Veteran's Day** • Thank a Police or Military K-9 for their Service!

02/25/19 • **World Spay Day** • Stop by the Bryant Animal Shelter between 12p-4p with proof of Bryant residency and pick up a voucher to have your pet spayed/neutered at a discounted rate.



Hornet Arena is All the Buzz!

I'm happy to announce that the last new construction projects has been completed. We celebrated the first games in the Hornet Arena on January 7. The sense of pride felt by the players and coaches on the court was echoed in the stands by fans.

Bryant Schools is very fortunate to be part of a community that generously supports education. The 2017 millage helped fund the construction of Parkway Elementary, Bryant Junior High, Bryant High School Cafeteria, Transportation/Maintenance/Technology Building, Fine Arts Center, and Hornet Arena. These facilities provided not only much

needed space, but also improved the overall site plan at the high school by closing in the campus and improving safety.

Our community will also benefit from the new facilities. Bryant Junior High is the location for the annual Greater Bryant Chamber of Commerce Winter Banquet, where over 500 members will enjoy an evening of entertainment and ceremony. On March 4-7, the district will host the 6A Girls and Boys State Basketball Tournament in Hornet Arena, the first time we have had the facilities needed for an event of this size. We will be proud to welcome guests from all over

the state and provide an economic boost to our local economy.

The final facility project will be a partial renovation of Hornet Stadium, which will be completed in August 2020. We'll be adding a new ticket booth and concession area, as well as sidewalks to make the stadium more accessible to fans with disabilities. Additional seating will also be part of the project.

On behalf of the Bryant School Board, students, teachers, and administrators, we thank you for investing in your school system.

Superintendent Karen Walters

CHIEF'S CORNER



Have you heard of the September Fund Endowed Scholarship at UA Little Rock? This is a topic that may be of interest to graduating seniors of first responders. This scholarship was created in memory of the fallen first responders during the 9/11 terrorist attacks that occurred in 2001. The scholarship provides assistance for any education related expenses, including but not limited to tuition, books, fees, and room and board.

The money shall be awarded to a full or part-time student who is the child of an Arkansas first responder, which includes all law enforcement officers, firefighters and EMT's. Academic accomplishment and financial need will be strongly considered. Deadline to apply is March 1, 2020. Funds awarded are to be used for the Fall 2020 semester. Application and guidelines can be found online at <https://ualr.edu/essc/cscc-scholarships/>

It's never too early to start planning for your academic future! Good luck!

Laura L. Beck

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2020 | January-December

2ND ANNUAL DESTINATION SWIM

STATE CAPITOL

- Come swim laps
- Log your laps with us
- Finish the 20.9 miles (736 Laps)
- Take home 2nd Annual Destination Swim T Shirt!
- 36 Laps = 1 Mile
- *Down & Back = 1 lap

Register now for the 2nd Annual Swim to the State Capitol! This program is for members ONLY and is FREE. This go at your own pace program will begin in January. Participants will then have a year to complete the 20.9 mile "swim" to the State Capital. Registration is FREE.



BRYANT
Parks

Registration is FREE!

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