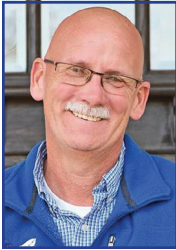




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## Mayor's Corner

JULY 2020

*Be Sure to Get Connected!*

Wow, we have had an overwhelming response to Bryant 101. For this first session, we have had around 30 applicants. Our class size was set at 16, (4 citizens from each ward) to ensure maximum interaction and

discussion with the attendees, plus meet any safety guidelines for social distancing and location rooms.

Because of the amount of interest we have had, we are in the process of creating another session of this in the fall. Those that applied, but not selected for this round will be placed at the top of the waiting list for that Bryant 101 class, the remaining openings will be open for others to apply. Our hope is to have the ability to record and make videos available online sometime in the future of these sessions.

As I looked over the sign-up requests, I was impressed with the diverse backgrounds, experience, and perspectives that our attendees will be bringing to the class. I hope to learn as much from each of you as you learn about the city and how it operates.

Finally, I know you are growing weary, as am I, regarding the COVID pandemic. But I must ask you to continue to follow the directives that the health department has in place. Being cautious will not only help protect you but others as well. Please continue to observe social distancing protocols, wear masks as needed, and please be patient with others. We are all adapting every day to how these protocols affect our normal activities. Together, we will get through this as we continue to learn more about this virus and what can be done in the future to protect us.

Thank you,

*Mayor Allen E. Scott*

To apply go online at [www.cityofbryant.com](http://www.cityofbryant.com)

**The Bryant PD  
Wants You To Join  
Our Team!**

## CHIEF'S CORNER



This month, the City of Bryant would like to recognize the following Bryant Police Staff as they were promoted in rank:

**Sgt. Paul Tarvin** was promoted to Lieutenant.

**Cpl. Nate Johnston** was promoted to Sergeant.

**Cpl. Mike Montgomery** was promoted to Sergeant.

**Off. Scotty Courtney** was promoted to Corporal.

**Off. Seth Wakefield** was promoted to Corporal.

We appreciate all you do as guardians for our community. The Bryant Police Department is now accepting applications for Police Officers. If you have the Blue in You then we want you to be part of our team.

Go online to the city website [www.cityofbryant.com](http://www.cityofbryant.com) and look under the Latest News section to submit your application.

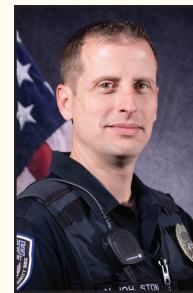
## Carl Minden

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Lt. Paul Tarvin



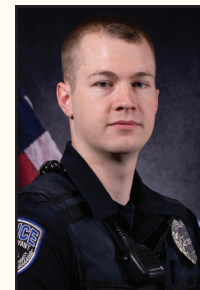
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# THE DIRECTOR'S CHAIR



Etherington, Brown, Dever and Pruitt

It seems that 2020 has brought a lot of change and challenge to each of us, and your city departments are not excluded from that. In the midst of this current pandemic, we found ourselves here at the Bryant Fire Department, needing to replace several positions. Normally, this process is simple once we have identified our candidates. We hire and send them to training. However, due to the precautions and restrictions put in place for the health and safety of all involved, the Arkansas Fire Training Academy (AFTA) placed a halt on all onsite fire training. So, like many of you have had to, we adapted and came up with a plan that would move these new hires on in the training process.

Fortunately, with the recent addition of our own fire training facility located at Station 2 at Hill Farm, we were able to gain approval to provide the training, onsite here in Bryant ourselves.

This meant we were able to continue bringing these five newly hired personnel on board, without interruption. Five were hired, two were already certified and three needed still needed to complete initial firefighter training. Firefighters Andrew Etherington, Jordan Brown, and Jordan Pruitt all received their training here. Firefighter Jakob Dever went through the training as well.

Etherington was raised in a family of eight. He did not choose to go to college because he never really enjoyed academics, however, since he was eleven he has worked in customer service and/ or with his hands which is what led him to choose a career in Firefighting.

Brown is originally from Jacksonville and has always wanted to help people in any way that he could which is what lead him to the Bryant Fire Department. He has two children and a fiancé who is a teacher.

Pruitt was born and raised in Central Arkansas. He has a two-year-old daughter and happily married to his wife, Lexie Pruitt. When Chandler is not serving his community, he enjoys spending time with his family and being outdoors.

Dever also volunteers at Salem Volunteer Fire Department and has been involved with the fire service for 3 years. I know you will join me as we welcome their service to our community.

*J.P. Jordan*

Bryant Fire Chief

## BRYANT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Want to stay connected to all the great things happening in Bryant Schools? Download our brand new app! Search “*Bryant Public Schools*” in the App Store or on Google Play. It’s the easiest and fastest way to get information and news from your school district. Be sure to sign up for notifications to receive instant announcements directly to your phone. Previous app users should delete the old version before downloading the new app.

*Additional school information is available on the new website at [bryantschools.org](http://bryantschools.org). Don’t forget to follow Bryant Schools on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube.*

## HIPPY Program

Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters

**REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN**

Hippy Serves Families of Children Ages Two, Three, and Four Years Old. It is a 30 week home-based early childhood literacy program. For more information or to register your child please contact the Dawson Hippy Program Coordinator Cindy Rowlan at 501-653-5611 or via email at [crowlan@bryantschools.org](mailto:crowlan@bryantschools.org).

Dawson HIPPY serves Grant, Hot Springs and Saline Counties in Arkansas.