

Sykes Real Estate opens for business

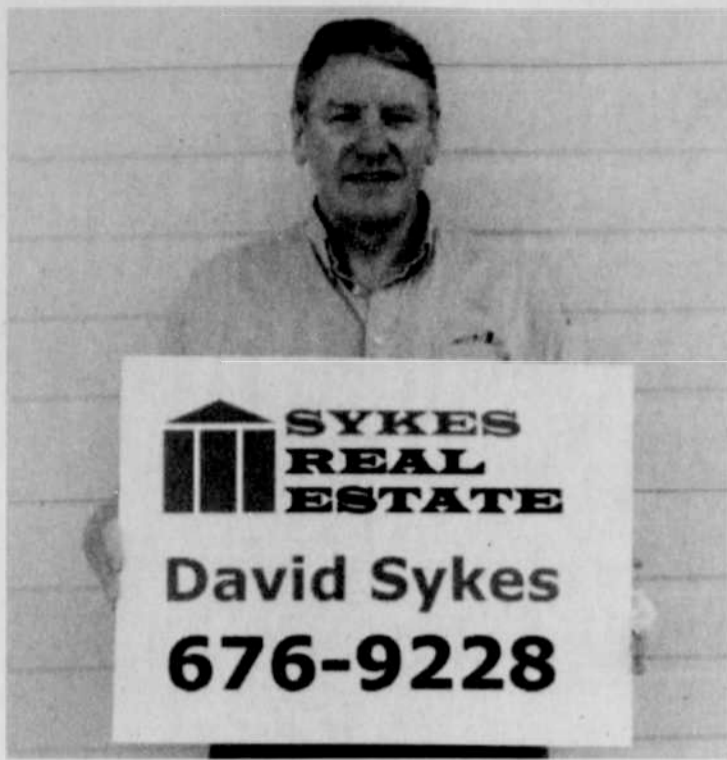
Sykes Real Estate has opened for business in Heppner.

David Sykes, the sole practitioner, broker and owner of the company is anxious to serve the people of the area with his new company. Sykes has worked as a real estate agent and broker for Heritage Land Company in Heppner for the past four years.

"If you have property to sell I look forward to discussing a marketing plan with you. If you are looking to purchase property please contact me and I will help you," he said.

Sykes will be handling residential, commercial, mountain and agriculture property.

Sykes Real Estate office is located at the Heppner Gazette-Times office at 188 West Willow, the former city hall located across from the fire department in Heppner. Sykes is also the owner and



David Sykes starts new real estate brokerage

publisher of The Heppner Gazette-Times newspaper and printing company. The phone number is 676-9228.

Property listings will be on the internet at www.sykesrealestate.net or can be reached by going to

the Heppner website at www.heppner.net and clicking on the link there. The email address is david@heppner.net or david@sykesrealestate.net.

St. Patrick's Senior Center

Look forward to another wonderful meal on July 19. The menu for the day is pork roast, dressing, broccoli, green salad, whole wheat rolls, apple crisp and ice cream. The United Methodist Church will be serving those who attend.

The resident introduced this week is Ellis McRoberts.

Born in Heppner, McRoberts went through school here as well.

He worked for Kinzua Corporation from 1955 until he retired in 1996. He married Katie Wright in 1976 and they were together 30 years.

McRoberts recently moved up to the second floor due to flooding and is enjoying his new apartment.

With three children, he now enjoys nine grandchildren. Going to all the games and bowling, he says, "I'm a sports fanatic."

It has been three years now since the St. Patrick's Apartments became his home.

His sister Alice Wagner lives at the apartments as well. McRoberts said, "We keep each other out of trouble."

July 24 he and a few friends are going to California to be on "The Price is Right" game show. Look out Bob Barker, here comes Ellis.

Births

Yajahira Abigail Arevalo- a daughter, Yajahira Abigail, was born June 30, 2006 at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston to Maritssa Rogue de Arevalo and Ricardo Arevalo-Pina of Boardman.

Wyatt Allen Shelley- a son, Wyatt Allen, was born July 3, 2006 at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston to Tanna Parton and Tyrell Shelley of Irrigon.

Visitors help give Nazarene church a new look



Volunteers put up siding at the Heppner Nazarene Church



(Back Row L-R): Harley Wilson (TX), Kenton Harris (ID), Ray Ax (ID), Ron Barnes (WA), Orren Robinson (OR), Max Hoffman (OR) and Terry Nichols (ID); (Front Row L-R): Nellie Harris (ID), Betty Wilson (TX), Dorine Nichols (ID), Donna Hoffman (OR) and Glen Awbry (Heppner). Not pictured: Pauline Robinson, Joyce Barnes, Trista Barnes and Bev Ax.

Seven couples from throughout the Northwest and Texas have come to Heppner to help with outdoor renovations at the Heppner Nazarene Church. The group, members of the Church of the Nazarene and a group called ROAM (RVs on a Mission), are putting up new siding on the church and repairing the bridge

walkway. Some of the women are also helping sort clothes that the church sends to the Ukraine.

The local church provides a place for the group to stay and the materials, while ROAM members supply the labor. They came to Heppner Friday, July 7 and will be

staying through July 15. The next stop on their itinerary is Arlington.

Local community members have also been helping with the renovations.

Pastors Dwayne and Kathy Jones are appreciative of the help and are looking forward to seeing the new "cream colored" church building.

Preparations being made for Celebrate Historic Heppner

Preparations are being made for Celebrate Historic Heppner to be held July 28-30 in Heppner. While there are already events scheduled, Terry Baker, the new Chamber director is asking for anyone with ideas for the weekend to continue contacting the Chamber. She would like to add more to the weekend and is looking for family-oriented events and events that promote Heppner. To make a suggestion, call 676-5536.

Already on the schedule is the sidewalk sale to be held all day Friday; the pie judging contest, the BBQ in the Park and the talent show, also on Friday; and the Rodeo Kick-off Stickhorse Round-Up, dinner and dance, held Friday evening. The museums will also be open during the weekend.

The annual Dinner at the Cemetery will not be held this year, but Baker said that she is working hard to make sure it is back next year and continues to be an annual event.

Again, any ideas for the weekend are strongly encouraged and may be directed to Baker at 676-5536.

Heppner notes

By Dave DeMayo, city manager

Just in case you are interested, our Utility Assistance Program is a year old. The city began the program with \$1000 seed money. It has received donations in the amount of \$500. The fund has been used to help eight to nine people with their utility bills. On average, the help extended is about \$100 per approved applicant. There is an application process that screens applicants so that only those in genuine dire need receive the money. The fund is currently at about \$900. Anyone interested in donating to this fund needs to contact City Hall at 111 N. Main Street, Heppner or call 676-9618.

The city would also like to bring to the attention of loggers/truck drivers that Ordinance 558-06, which just passed in May 2006 stipulates that trucks driven to a residence for minor repairs or to be parked, are to be parked off-street. Please be courteous to your neighbors and abide by the ordinance (you can be cited if necessary).

When a person resides in a city, he/she agrees that there is necessarily some "give and take" in respecting the rights of others and perhaps at times voluntarily not insisting on our rights for the benefit of others.

Heppner City Hall will be CLOSED

Tuesday, July 18, 2006

From 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The city staff will be executing a drill to practice the Heppner Emergency Flash Flood Plan



Engagement Woodward-Smith



Ben Smith and Jessie Woodward

Karen Woodward of Heppner, Steve Woodward of Hermiston and Beryl and Susie Stillman of Lexington wish to announce the engagement of their children Jessie Woodward and Benjamin Smith.

The bride-elect is a 2004 Heppner High graduate and is currently attending Chemeketa Community College in Salem. She is also currently employed as a department manager at Wal-Mart.

The groom-elect is a 1999 home-school graduate. He is currently employed with a construction company in Salem.

The couple plans a July 22 wedding. The wedding will be located near Cutsforth Park and attendees are advised to follow the signs.

Class of '56 to hold reunion

The Heppner High School Class of 1956 will be celebrating their 50th class reunion this coming weekend. They will be gathering at Heppner's City Park, Saturday, July 15 at 1 p.m., for an afternoon of visiting and getting caught up on the 10 years since their last get together. Everyone is invited to attend this gathering and visit with "old" friends and classmates.

The group will then gather at John's Place for a social hour and dinner at 5

p.m.

Judy Buschke, organizer of the gathering says they will have classmates from as far as Virginia Beach, VA (George Little), Columbus, OH (Lance Tibbles), Big Piney, WY (Joe Privett) and Boise, ID (Wayne Soward).

Sharon and Keith Lewis will be the hosts for a brunch on Sunday.

For any additional information, contact Buschke at 676-5826.

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