

New minister and family make Heppner their home

Pastor Quentin Byers has taken the associate minister position at the Heppner Christian Church where he will learn the ropes in preparation for taking over as head pastor when Pastor Ray DeLoe retires. Pastor Quentin, his wife Ashton and two daughters, Kyla and Alba recently moved to Heppner from Boise, ID.



Ashton, Alba, Kyla and Quentin Byers recently moved to Heppner.

Pastor Quentin and Ashton were both raised in Wallowa County and were high school sweethearts. They attended community college in Salem where Pastor Quentin received a certificate in welding and Ashton obtained her dental assisting certificate.

In 2010 the Byers family was devastated by the loss of Pastor Quentin's younger brother to suicide. The loss made him decide he wanted to minister to hurting people, so in 2013 he heeded the call which took him to Boise Bible College where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in ministry and Associate of Science in church leadership. The call to ministry has been a part of the Byers family for many years. Pastor Quentin's grandfather, Melvert Byers Sr. was a missionary and minister. His father, Melvert Byers Jr. has been ministering at Wallowa Christian Church

for thirty-one years.

Immediately after Pastor Quentin graduated from BBC, he accepted a head minister position in downtown Boise. Pastor Quentin and Ashton said, "We were surprised that God had led us to a ministry in Boise as it had always been our intent to return to a rural community to raise our children." They continued, "God had greater plans for the Byers family and we all grew from our time living in Boise."

In the move from Boise to Heppner, there wasn't enough room to bring everything so Kyla and Alba had to leave their bikes behind. The young entrepreneurs decided to take matters into their own hands to earn the money to buy themselves new bikes. With that in mind, the girls set up a lemonade stand

three days over the 4th of July weekend.

With the help of the Heppner community, Kyla and Alba were able to earn over \$200 from their efforts. The family set off to Hermiston to look for new bikes but found none were available in Hermiston. After making phone calls, bikes were located in Kennewick, WA so the family loaded up the pickup and drove to Kennewick to see if they could find bikes the correct size for the girls. Although options were limited, both girls were able to find their perfect bike.

Kyla and Alba wanted to tell the Heppner community, "Thank you for all your support and the encouragement you gave us as we worked our lemonade stand. We couldn't have gotten our bikes without you."



Above: Alba (left) and Kyla Byers opened a lemonade stand in Heppner and earned enough money to purchase new bikes.

Below: Kyla (left) shows off her black bike and Alba shows her purple one.



Sheriff's Report

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April 29: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report at Cottage Creek Apartments, 1901 NE Chase St, Heppner of UEMV. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at SE Chase St/E May St, Heppner that a backhoe is driving unsafely on Chase St. It went too fast down the hill and didn't stop at the stop sign. Deputy made contact with the company; they will slow down.

-MCSO received a report at Irrigon Shell Station, E Hwy 730, Irrigon that Thomas Wayne Fritz was arrested on UCCC warrant and lodged at UCJ with no bail.

-MCSO received a report on E Rock St, Heppner that RP needs an ambulance for her husband, needs oxygen. Transported.

-MCSO received a report on Hwy 74 Lena, Heppner of vehicles in turnout or near their property that appeared to be planning to stay. The subjects also appeared to either have shot or plan to shoot onto their property. Referred to other agency.

-MCSO received a report at W Eighth Rd/Kangaroo Ct, Irrigon that Robert Lloyd Fleetwood was arrested on MCSO LSA warrant. Lodged at UCJ with holds. Also issued citation for driving uninsured.

-MCSO received a report at Easterday Farms on Homestead Ln, Boardman of a rollover at the farm. Transported.

-MCSO received a report on W Main St, Lexington that there is an alley behind her house where her kids found a container that has what appears to be drugs, looks like crystals. Substance was destroyed.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a white Ford F150 came down Seventh with loud music.

April 30: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report at French Ln/Gurdane Rd, Heppner of a request for agency assist. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E Boardman of Trax van speeding about 80 mph through a construction zone.

-MCSO received a report on Hwy 74 Lena, Heppner of 93-year-old female that pushed emergency button. Assisted.

-MCSO received a report at SE Division St/SE California Ave, Irrigon of boards in the dirt that was unsafe. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Bank of Eastern Oregon on S First St, Irrigon that a gentleman is walking up to the drive-up window and leaving weird notes.

Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Irrigon Shell Station on E Hwy 730, Irrigon that RP believes there is drug activity going on.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a white Ford F150 is playing loud music.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E, Boardman of large chunks of tire tread in the road. Referred to other agency.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E, Boardman of a red a Ford Focus that keeps changing speed, going 60 then 90. Keeps passing then braking in front of RP. Referred to other agency.

-MCSO received a report at W Eighth Rd/Froberg Ln, Irrigon that a Pyrenees dog has been hit but is laying in the road. Being aggressive.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a white Ford F150 had loud music coming from the truck. RP advised he was in the shower when he heard it but knows it was him. Deputy made phone contact as requested.

-MCSO received a report at Umatilla National Wildlife Refuge, Riverview Ln, Irrigon of three shots. Warning for illegal discharge of a firearm in the refuge.

-MCSO received a report at SE Division St/SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that at the construction zone there is a pile of dirt and there are people on dirt bikes going on and over them.

May 4: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a white Ford Focus went past his home at high rate of speed.

-MCSO received a report of a violation of restraining order on NW Gale St, Heppner.

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-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a white Ford pickup with a temp tag came off Seventh and cranked the music. Doing it to harass.

-MCSO received a report that Drion Mark Donner was served IJC warrant.

-MCSO received a report on Hwy 730, Irrigon that a yellow semi ran him off the road, he had to lock up his brakes and go off the shoulder so the vehicle could go around him. Semi going 55 in 45 into Irrigon. Deputy responded and located the vehicle. Driver was warned for fail to maintain lane.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that RP could hear loud music. He wanted to show us how irritating it is. "Every time I hear it, I am going to call you guys so I can be irritating with you guys as much as the music is irritating to me. Until it stops." RP disconnected right after, was unable to get further. Unable to locate anyone playing loud music.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that people keep driving up and down his road and turning their music up. He states this is harassment. RP stated that if MCSO doesn't deal with the issue he will "gladly put them in the hospital and off the streets." He disconnected while being told not to escalate the situation any further. MCSO checked the area and was unable to locate anyone playing loud music.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that RP was calling because if he had to listen to loud music, we had to listen to it too. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report of telephonic harassment on Country Garden Rd, Irrigon.

-MCSO received a report on Malheur St, Boardman, that there is a male walking around the outside of her house. Believes she might know him but was quick to get off the phone. Responded, able to locate vehicle matching description. Unable to locate anything suspicious.

-MCSO received a report on Paul Smith Rd, Boardman of shots being fired. Appears the rounds

are ricocheting and one went over the RP's head. Unfounded.

-MCSO received a report at SE Seventh St/SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that there are vehicles playing loud music. When asked for a vehicle description he disconnected. Unable to locate.

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Office building in great condition right on main street in Heppner. Located in the heart of the business district it's ready to move into. Includes front lobby, private office with window to the front. Former bank building with lots of storage. A small kitchenette/break room and a restroom. Alarm system installed. If you are looking for an office or even a small store space this will work for you. Call today for a showing.

127 N Main St Heppner

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REAL ESTATE

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\$70,000

Here is a two Bedroom, one bath home in Heppner. It's a fixer upper but has good features such as a block foundation, good carpeting and good roof. In the kitchen there are a built in dishwasher and oven. Island counter with cook top and refrigerator are included. Has heat pump and also place for wood stove in living room if you want to install. Has a back deck for barbecuing. Clothes line and partial fenced yard. Give me a call for a showing.

580 N GALE ST, HEPPNER

\$230,000

Very nice 2 bedroom, 2 bath home with office that can be another bedroom. Excellent condition with a low maintenance yard, two car attached garage and great view of Willow Creek Lake. A fast-circulating hot water heater pump gives you instant hot water in both baths. Master bath has a Jacuzzi. Refrigerator & range included in the sale. Located in a quiet neighborhood with just a short distance down the hill to put your fishing line in the water. Call me soon for a showing!

430 FRANK GILLIAM DRIVE, HEPPNER

\$140,000

NEW LISTING!

Two Bedroom two bath home in very good condition. Owners did a complete remodel couple of years ago and home is ready to move into. Two story with one bedroom and bath upstairs and one down. Upstairs landing could be used for another kids bedroom. Stove, refrigerator and washer and dryer included with sale. Good chain link fenced yard is perfect for dogs or kids. Call me for an appointment to see this home.

540 N GALE ST, HEPPNER