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Kimberly George appointed to new role

Kimberly George, daughter of Kit and Shirley George of Heppner, has been appointed to a new role at Sedgwick, the company where she has been for 20 years.

Sedgwick, a leading global provider of technology-enabled risk, benefits and integrated business solutions has appointed Kimberly George to the role of global head, product development and innovation. Kimberly will serve on the organization's executive leadership team. George has been most recently serving as their senior healthcare advisor and leading corporate development and mergers and acquisition.

Kimberly has filled a variety of roles at Sedgwick during her tenure and led the development and implementation of many products and services which contributed to Sedgwick's growth. She helped the organization build out workforce absence products for America's largest employers and led Sedgwick's managed care offerings to bring clinical and medical network programs in-house. Kimberly shared her greatest joy is "working with insurer and employer clients, Sedgwick's private equity investors, and our wonderful colleagues." When she began working at Sedgwick there was about 1,200 U.S. based colleagues and they



Kimberly George are now in 65 countries with 27,000 colleagues. "Being part of a fast paced, entrepreneurial organization keeps everyone on their toes and moving in a forward direction."

With her new role, Kimberly plans to align growth opportunities with our businesses across the globe. "Having a formalized way in which Sedgwick addresses product development and innovation will improve ideation to execution and collaboration across business leaders," George said.

Kimberly will continue to co-host Out Front Ideas (outfrontideas.com) an educational series focused on critical insurance and healthcare industry issues. She is co-founder and board member of the Alliance of Women in Workers' Compensation which now has over 7,000 followers and is a board member of the Workers' Compensation Research Institute based out of Cambridge, MA.

Kindle named BEO Chief Operations Officer

"I am pleased to announce that Becky Kindle has been promoted to Executive Vice President and Chief Operations Officer (EVP / COO) for Bank of Eastern Oregon. Becky's promotion is part of a planned transition. Kindle follows Gary Prophter, who plans to retire later in 2021," said Jeff Bailey, President and CEO.

Kindle started her career with Bank of Eastern Oregon in 1998. She has worked in virtually all areas of operations, most recently serving as SVP and Chief Banking Officer. She is a graduate of Pacific Coast Banking School and past recipient of Oregon Banker's Association's Presidential Award, given annually to the outstanding committee chair of the trade organization.

"Becky has been instrumental in the growth of our bank as we have expanded across eastern Oregon, eastern Washington and western Idaho. Her knowledge, leadership and the respect she has earned from her fellow employees as well as banking industry peers is quite impressive," concluded Bailey.

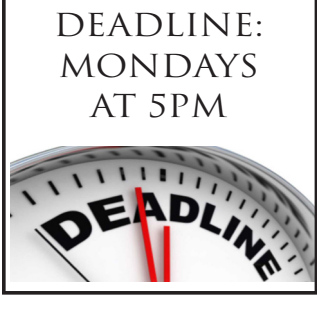
"I am excited to continue my work with our fabulous team of bankers. Our bankers truly appreciate living and working in our communities, serving



Becky Kindle

the banking needs of our customers and helping our communities thrive. Our bank's culture encourages growth from within the organization and I appreciate the opportunity and faith that the board places in me," said Kindle.

Becky resides in Heppner with her husband Jim and they have two adult children. She is active in numerous civic activities, currently serving as board chair for Morrow County School District.



Tax assistance available by appointment only

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide will provide tax assistance by appointment only this year due to COVID-19 restrictions and safety measures. Assistance is provided free of charge to anyone, with a special focus on taxpayers who are 50 or older or who have low to moderate income.

Appointments will be available from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at New Hope Community Church in Hermiston on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from February 2 through April 13 and at the Port of Morrow in Boardman on Fridays February 5 through April 9. To request an appointment, call 541-303-3165 and leave a message with your name, phone number and best time to return your call. A sign-up sheet to request a call back to set an appointment is also available at the Heppner Gazette-Times office.

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteers are unable to prepare returns with self-employment if there are employees, complicated capital gains/losses, rental income, royalty income, farm income or expenses, moving expenses, Alternative Minimum Tax, Additional Medicare Tax, Net Investment Tax or Foreign

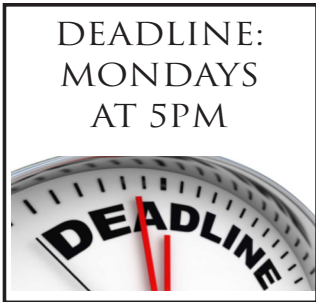
financial asset reporting.

Tax-Aide volunteers are located nationwide and are trained and IRS-certified every year to make sure they know about and understand the latest changes and additions to the tax code. Tax help is provided in safe environments using a variety of methods based on a number of factors, including where you are located, COVID-19 spread and volunteer availability.

Fowler named to dean's list

Bryan Fowler, Heppner, has been named to the Fall 2020 Deans' List at Calvin University. The Deans' List honors students who have earned a 3.5 or higher grade point average (GPA) in their fall semester classes and have maintained at least a 3.5 GPA over their university careers.

Calvin's courses are academically challenging, and this honor reflects a significant accomplishment. The accomplishment is even more notable in light of the many challenges to learning brought about by the pandemic.



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Up to \$50,000 will be awarded each year to deserving students. The scholarships must be used for educational costs.

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