Maxwell family breaks ground

By Diane GobleCorrespondent

Sisters Habitat for Humanity volunteers will be twice as busy this spring on the 900 block of Cascade Avenue, constructing two new homes side by side. On Sunday, March 15, family and volunteers broke ground for the new home of Josh and Kristina Maxwell.

The Maxwells came to Sisters two years ago from Montana looking for a fresh start. They've had the love and support of Kristina's parents, who live here, to apply for a Habitat home, and all have been hard at work accumulating their sweat-equity hours. Josh has been working at the job site and Kristina, who works at US Bank, volunteers at the Thrift Store. She has fun and loves everything she does there.

Carol and Kevin Neary, and Judy Osborne have been the Maxwell's family partners who have been there and will continue to guide them through the process. Carol Neary said how thrilled she was for this hard-working and very enthusiastic young couple, "They are so deserving of this and so grateful for every little thing."

Former board president



Josh and Kristina Maxwell broke ground for their future home during a Sisters Habitat for Humanity ceremony on Sunday.

Kevin Neary welcomed the group and introduced **Executive Director Sharlene** Weed, who read an excerpt from "Theology of the Hammer" — which says that we are here to do more than talk and sing; we have to put it to work. The nail must be hit on the head again and again and again ... until a family moves in and it becomes a home built by love. In this theology, all agree on the imperative to serve, to house the world's poor, to eliminate poverty.

Construction Manager

Shawn O'Hern said with favorable weather, he's going to have this house completed by the first week in August. He thanked all the volunteers including Chris Mayes, the architect, and the subcontractors who have been so kind, including Fred Astin, Cascade Bobcat, Hoyt's and Lutton's. And, he shouted, "Come on out and volunteer!"

Marie Clasen, volunteer and family services manager, announced she holds orientations for volunteers twice a month. Call 541-549-1740 for information.

Golfers prepare to hit the course

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The boys golf team has 13 players out for the sport this season, and all have hopes to be one of the top five players who will represent the Outlaws at tournaments.

Junior Steen Johnson and sophomores Kade Owen and Devin Robillard are the only returning varsity players. Coach Bill Mitchell told *The Nugget* that all three boys have been working extremely hard, and have improved their game since last year — especially the putting game.

"These guys will need to really work on their short game and strive to get their scores below 100," said Mitchell.

New to the team this year are senior Yasha Saldi; juniors Gabe Isle and Halston Seilentin; sophomores Ben Saba, Jace Kachlein, Noah Huber, Brendan Lewis and Sam Tara;. Freshmen Patrick Dingeman and Austin Lake will round out the squad.

"We need five players to play in a tournament, and right now we really only have three (Johnson, Owen, and Robillard) that

are tournament-ready," said Mitchell. "We need two guys to step up and deliver, and right now it looks like that will be Austin (Lake) and Ben (Saba)."

The boys golf team will play at Tokatee on Wednesday, March 18, in their first tournament of the season.

On the girls' side, senior Emily Christen is back for her final year. Christen tallied her lowest score ever (104) last year at the district tournament.

Emily is a good athlete and she wants to improve. — Coach Bill Mitchell

"Emily is a good athlete and she wants to improve," said Mitchell. "She's very strong and can hit the ball a long way. She just needs to work on her short game and get her score under 100, and I think she can do it."

Ayanna Brewer (junior) is a transfer from Elmira and will join Christen on the girls team.

The girls' first tournament of the year will be at Crooked River Ranch on Wednesday, March 18.









