

## Gearing up for Green House Living

*From staff reports*

A sign describing the Green House Living for Sheridan project was placed at the former Maverick store location on Coffeen Avenue at Main Street Wednesday to celebrate progress of the Green House cottages development.

Doug Osborn, president of Green House Living for Sheridan, announced this week that estimated cost of building and opening the four Green House cottages has been reduced from \$9.7 million to \$7.6 million, due to lower costs of construction and a lower long-term financing rate than originally planned.

With funding sources in place and with the reduced construction costs, the new goal for fundraising is \$1.4 million, Development Director Kay Wallick stated in a press release.

Wallick said all fundraising and financing must be in place by March 31 to receive the grant of \$891,217 from the Wyoming Business Council for the infrastructure.

The Green House volunteer fundraising committee is ready for the challenge, according to Wallick. Barbara Walter and Dr. Sy Thickman, co-chairs of the fundraising committee, announced Joan Connolly of the YMCA and the Sheridan Senior Center and Kathy Monroe Bosworth, former Northern Wyoming Mental Health Center's foundation development consultant, have joined the fundraising team. Wallick states more than 100 people have signed a letter of support for the project.

"Green House cottages will enhance our community's elder care alternatives and they are excited to see the passion and hope in the hearts and minds of many joining the cause," Wallick stated.

"Our parents, grandparents and neighbors deserve the dignity, quality of life and loving care that will be provided with the Green House way of life," said Osborn.

For more information, call Wallick at 674-1607.



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Members of the Green House Living for Sheridan task force and fundraising committee stand next to a sign set up at the corner of Main Street and Coffeen Avenue. Wednesday morning announcing future plans for the long term elder care facility. Pictured from left are: Everett McGlothlin, Barbara Walter, Liz Howell, Joan Connolly, Mayor Dave Kinskey and Kay Wallick.