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### IS THIS RIGHT FOR YOU?

It's a simple yet critical question to consider: are the people and communities of Shelby County right for you and your business? Is it the right place to find those that will help you prosper and keep your dreams alive? Ultimately, that'll come down to a first-hand visit, but for starters we'd like to share some of what you can come to expect:

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**HARLAN** - Lots for sale on Hawkeye Avenue.



**HARLAN** - Lots for sale on Ridgeway Drive.



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SHELBY - The Hawthorne Hills housing development.



**SHELBY** -The former Shelby-Tennant School was converted into loft apartments. Information and rentals contact Cardinal Lofts.





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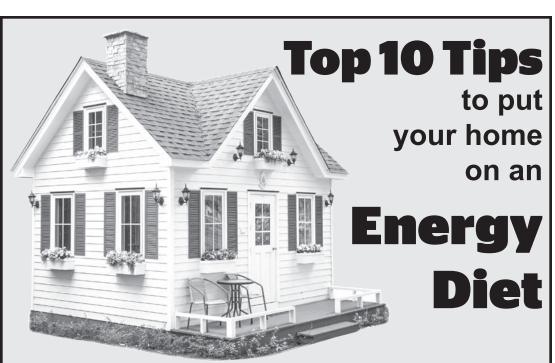
# EA HOME - CONSTRUCTION: - REMODELING:

# **Avoca construction continues to blossom**

AVOCA - (above and at right) A new 12-unit housing development, Sunny Ridge Subdivision, is going up adjacent to East Jaycee St. The development is a block south of the Avoca Country Club. All utilities and streets are being installed by the Avoca Utility Board.



AVOCA - North Birch Circle.





\$200 per year can be saved by sealing leaks

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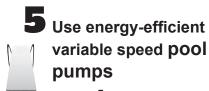


Replace incandescent light bulbs with more efficient CFLs or LEDs

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your pool pump, depending on size of motor, operating hours, and utility rate schedule.



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Duct leakage and door closure can

cause significant air pressure within a building which greatly increases heating and cooling costs





**80%** of solar heat gain can be blocked by shade screens; use on east, west and south facing windows



Recycle your old refrigerator or freezer in the garage

**\$100** per year

can be saved by turning off an old refrigerator or freezer

Reduce Vampire power

Disconnect appliances that drain electricity, such as your TV and computer by unplugging them or plugging them into a power strip and switching the power strip off.

**10** Set thermostat based on occupancy schedule

\$150 per year can be saved by installing a programmable thermostat



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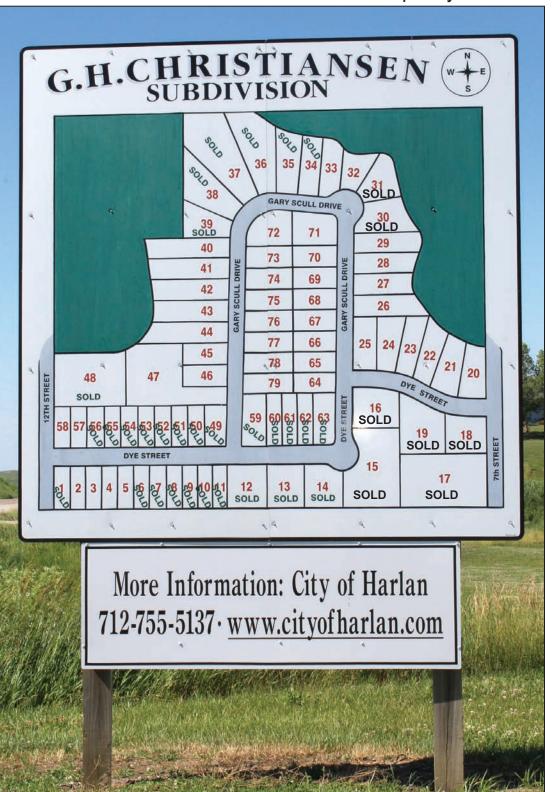
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HARLAN - There is plenty of room to grow in the Christiansen Subdivision.



**HARLAN - The scope of the City of Harlan's** new Dye Street housing development created the potential for 79 single and multi-family housing lots to the northern edge of the Harlan city limits. Grading, installation of gas, water, electric, phone, fiber optics and sewer lines began at the development site on May 30, 2008.

Foutch Brothers, West Des Moines, received tax credit approval and built 25 units in the Christiansen subdivision – 15 single-family homes and 10 duplexes at an estimated total cost of more than \$4.2 million. All of the units are currently occupied, and also in the development are several private homes not associated with the Foutch project.

The Harlan City Council approved the purchase of approximately 40 plus acres of land near Seventh and Dye Streets from Gale Vandenberg for \$175,000, and \$300,000 to Randy Brandon in 2008. The purchase is part of an overall \$2.5 million project that will see the 40-acre tract developed into housing lots.

**HARLAN -** The Christiansen Subdivision land is ready for you to build with infrastructure in place including water, sewer, utilities, streets and sidewalks. There are a variety of lots available to construct your home, and each lot is priced at only \$1,000.

In addition, the USDA Rural Development has a Single Family Housing Loan program which may provide direct loans and loan guarantees to build a new home. Contact the Atlantic USDA Rural Development office at 712-243-2107, ext. 4 for more information.

Once you make an offer to purchase, you can expect the Harlan City Council to act on your offer in at least two City Council meetings which may take 30-45 days. This is part of a normal process to sell and dispose of publicly owned property.



HARLAN - in the Dye Street development on Gary Scull Drive.



HARLAN - in the Dye Street development on Gary Scull Drive.

Harlan's newest memory care facility is taking shape in north Harlan to serve the Shelby County community as is called the Hansen House. The building's construction culminates two years of discussions between Harlan and developer Bill McCarty.

McCarty has said the memory care unit will be for residents with Alzheimer's Disease or dementia, offering residents assisted living while providing 24-hour supervision. The facility will house people in stages 4, 5 and 6 on global deterioration of the disease.

The building will have 18 units that could house up to 20 tenants. Only couples would share a unit. The building will be 15,478 square feet with a property value of \$2.94 million. Hopes are that if the building becomes occupied at capacity within the first three years, a second assisted living facility will be constructed adjacent to the current building. Hansen House has purchased five lots in the Dye St. subdivision in north Harlan.

# **Seven quick lawn fixes**

# 1.) Widespread yellow hue at tips of grass

**Possible solution:** Replace the lawn mower blades. They are inexpensive and easy to install. Be sure to use your engine's model number to find the correct, recommended blades. Universal blades are not recommended, due to safety issues.

# 2.) Stripes

**Possible solution:** The best way to apply fertilizer is to use a drop-type spreader. Make sure you overlap wheel tracks. It may require adjustment to cut more evenly. If stripes are more tan or brown than yellow, your lawn mower may need to be adjusted to cut more evenly and prevent scalping.

## 3.) Thin patches

**Possible solution:** Consider pruning trees to enable a greater amount of sunlight. Aeration may also kickstart growth. If that doesn't work, consider an alternative grass type that is better suited to shady conditions.

### 4.) Brown, dead patches, round in shape and surrounded by healthy grass

**Possible solution:** Give those spots extra water during its weekly watering. These spots can usually recover quickly.

### 5.) Problem: Large, dry patches

**Possible solution:** If you have a sprinkler system, check to make sure there are no clogged or broken components. Spend time watching your sprinkling system in action. It could be that water simply isn't reaching those areas and as a result, those areas are drying out.



AVOCA - East Wood Street.

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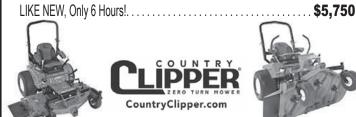
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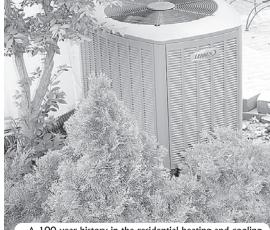
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