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Her gift of nature

Mooresville woman honored for 'common sense conservation'



Mooresville's Lisa Carver, shown peering through binoculars (above) at critters visiting her backyard (right), says she has a 'communion with animals.'

Photos by Michael Roessler

By MICHAEL ROESSLER

Since she was a little girl, Lisa Carver says she's been surrounded by people who taught her to value nature.

Her mother, Vera, and her aunt Ava would sit with her on the porch of the Wilson Avenue home she now lives in, watching the birds perch on nearby trees.

"My relatives got me interested in environmental issues from a very young age," she says. And the lessons she learned from her family about conservation and preservation, as well as her belief that her Christianity requires her to be a good steward to the environment, is what guides her today. "I just have a communion with animals ... They're drawn to me, and I'm drawn to them."

As a mark of her dedication to the environment, the National Wildlife Federation recently designated her yard as a Backyard Wildlife Habitat.

The organization began the project in 1973 as a way to encourage people to practice what Carver, who was born and raised in Mooresville, calls "common sense conservation."

To gain the designation, Carver says, you have to provide a habitat for wildlife that contains four elements: food, shelter, water, and a safe place for wildlife to raise their young.

She also says that anyone can do the work necessary to be named a wildlife habitat. The cost is minimal — a one-time fee of \$15 to the National Wildlife Federation — as is the space needed. Carver's property is about three-quarters of an acre. But she says that habitats have been as small as an apartment balcony in New York City. "This is something that is attainable by almost any citizen," Carver says.

For her, having her yard named a

Some of the dozens of bird feeders that dot Lisa Carver's backyard in Mooresville.

wildlife habitat is just the latest step in her effort to preserve the environment — with big pay-offs.

Her property, which offers dozens of feeders for animals, is host to about 30 species of birds, as

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School board issues warning to I-S superintendent

The embattled Iredell-Statesville Board of Education issued a stern letter to Supt. Howard Coleman on Wednesday in an attempt to open lines of communication.

The letter — signed by School Board Chairman Vaughn Sprinkle — affirmed the role of the school board as the top authority in the system and reminded Coleman that he is not to interfere in that role.

The letter made four points:

1. Any board member has the absolute authority to speak with any employee of the school system about any matter not involving issues of confidentiality that affect the operations of the school system.
2. You (Coleman) do not have the right to have free access to all contacts made by board members to employees of the Iredell-Statesville Schools.
3. If a board member initiates contact with and seeks to converse with any employee of the school system, the employee is under no duty to report the conversation or substance of conversation to the Superintendent.
4. The failure by an employee to report a contact or conversation initiated by a board member is not a violation of the chain of command. Further, failure to report a board member-initiated contact does not reduce organizational effectiveness but rather promotes candor and free-flow of information.

Board members penned the letter in response to policy set by Coleman.

"Dr. Coleman put out a directive to staff to channel information through (Deputy Superintendent) Steve Lane and (Director of Public

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Town picks next area to revitalize

By MICHAEL ROESSLER

A neighborhood just west of downtown Mooresville is targeted as the next for revitalization.

The Town of Mooresville is working to receive about \$1.7 million from the state to revitalize an area in the vicinity of Academy Street, West Catawba Avenue, Kelly Street, and West McLelland Avenue — called "Catawba Place" by the town. The money would come from the North Carolina Department of Commerce and a new state program called Revitalization Strategies.

Assistant Town Manager Jeff Smith said the town hopes to partner with private business to revitalize the area. The town will provide a building to house the neighborhood's community center and a new building to house the town's municipal building.

Flowers, not just football

Mooresville High's Mike Carter, architect of the school's highly successful football program, has another talent too — growing roses. At night, Carter checks on one of his 27 colorful rose bushes thriving next to his home on South Magnolia Street. The roses and large beds of impatiens (above) helped Carter and his wife Betty (above, left) earn a Yard of the Month honor from the Mooresville Beautification Committee's Park and Garden Club. (Photos by Dale Gowing)