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1997 CHEVROLET S10	56,509 mi.	$7,488	Red Truck	1998 PONTIAC TRANS SPORT	63,950 mi.	$11,788	White MINIVAN	2000 CHEVROLET MALIBU	27,310 mi.	$12,988	White 4-dr Sdn	2001 BUICK REGAL	29,747 mi.	ONLY$229/MO	White 4-dr Sdn
1997 CHEVROLET S10	42,966 mi.	$9,988	Green Truck	1999 CHEVROLET K1500	38,836 mi.	$22,988	White Truck	2000 CHEVROLET MONTE CARLO	35,092 mi.	$16,988	Green 2-dr Cpe	2001 BUICK REGAL	27,278 mi.	$15,988	White 4-dr Sdn
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1997 NISSAN SENTRA	48,685 mi.	$8,788	Red 4-dr Sdn	1999 CHEVROLET S10	15,937 mi.	$9,988	Blue Truck	2000 CHEVROLET S10	29,262 mi.	$15,988	Black Truck	2001 CHEVROLET SILVERADO	16,414 mi.	$20,988	White Truck
1998 CADILLAC CATERA	37,048 mi.	$15,988	Red 4-dr Sdn	1999 FORD CONTOUR	49,139 mi.	$9,488	Beige 4-dr Sdn	2000 CHEVROLET S10	46,219 mi.	$11,988	Black Truck	2001 CHEVROLET SILVERADO	19,754 mi.	$20,988	Pewter Truck
1998 CHEVROLET CAVALIER	43,646 mi.	$8,788	Red 4-dr Sdn	1999 FORD F-250	34,626 mi.	$26,988	Green Truck	2000 FORD EXPEDITION	30,497 mi.	$21,588	Green 4-dr SUV	2001 CHEVROLET SILVERADO	17,783 mi.	$20,988	Burg Truck
1998 CHEVROLET K3500 CREW CAB	55,216 mi.	$21,988	White Truck	1999 GMC SUBURBAN	54,058 mi.	$22,988	White 4-dr SUV	2000 FORD EXPEDITION	27,492 mi.	ONLY$429/MO	Burg 4-dr SUV	2001 CHEVROLET SILVERADO	17,631 mi.	$20,988	White Truck
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1998 CHEVROLET S10	16,918 mi.	$10,488	Green Truck	1999 PONTIAC GRAND AM	44,448 mi.	$10,488	White 2-dr Cpe	2000 FORD TAURUS	26,682 mi.	$13,988	Blue 4-dr Wagon	2001 CHEVROLET SILVERADO	15,882 mi.	$20,988	Green Truck
1998 CHEVROLET S10	37,349 mi.	$9,788	White Truck	1999 PONTIAC MONTANA	34,396 mi.	$16,488	Beige MINIVAN	2000 MAZDA 626	29,190 mi.	$12,988	White 4-dr Sdn	2001 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX	22,820 mi.	$14,988	White 4-dr Sdn 1

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Town wants to put Earnhardt's '3' on road

By MICHAEL ROESSLER

Although its dedication may be months away, Mooresville is laying the groundwork to honor the late Dale Earnhardt by naming a town street after him.

The Town of Mooresville is considering naming a portion of a street — possibly Iredell Avenue, which leads to his racing complex — after the late NASCAR driver.

Also, the town has asked the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) to change N.C. 136 to N.C. 3, in honor of the No. 3 race car driven by Earnhardt. N.C. 136 is the state highway designation for Coddle Creek Road, which leads to the Earnhardt racing complex southeast of town. The road becomes Iredell Avenue within Mooresville's town limits.

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Although NCDOT has the sole power to decide if the state highway's number will be changed, changing a town street name will have to go before the town's board of commissioners.

Jones said although the town will likely rename a town street after Earnhardt, he is not certain it will be Iredell Avenue, especially if that road is changed to N.C. 3. Jones said he doesn't know if the town would want to duplicate the renaming effort on one stretch of road.

The mayor said he expects the changes to be made within the next two months.

At its next meeting, the Iredell County Board of Commissioners

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Jeff Bowles in critical condition after wreck

A well-known Mooresville man remained in critical condition Thursday in Winston-Salem's Baptist Medical Center, a day after he was thrown from a van that ran into a patch of woods on Triplett Road northeast of town.

Jeffery Morrison Bowles, 45, was traveling north in a Dodge Ram van Wednesday afternoon when he apparently lost control of the vehicle.

The van ran off the right side of the road. Bowles tried to correct it, but the van careened off the left side of the road, said N.C. State Trooper K.W. Milligan.

The van ran up an embankment and into the woods, overturning at least twice. It came to rest against a tree about 50 feet off the road. Bowles was thrown through the front window and landed an estimated 15-feet away from the van.

Bowles, a mechanic with Bowles Automotive, was test-driving the van after repairing it earlier in the day. The van is owned by First Presbyterian Church in Mooresville.

It's unclear exactly when the accident happened. "He worked on it through his lunch," said his brother, Tommy Bowles, an Iredell County commissioner. "When I got back from lunch, he was gone. I don't know how long he had been gone."

A passing motorist saw the van in the woods and called 911.

Bowles was transported to Iredell Memorial Hospital then airlifted to Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem. Thursday afternoon, he was listed in critical condition in the intensive care unit.

Milligan said he doesn't think Bowles was wearing his seatbelt.

Express bus service may begin soon

By MICHAEL ROESSLER

The effort to establish a commuter bus service between Mooresville and Charlotte is close to completion.

Erskine Smith, Mooresville's Assistant Town Manager, said he expects the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC), which acts as the governing body of the Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS), to vote on approving the

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Teresa Neill, amid bags of pennies, spearheaded a $3,000 fund-raiser for Habitat.

Making good cents

Teacher, students become penny-wise for Habitat

By JAIME GATTON

During the past year, Mooresville's Teresa Neill has helped build dreams, and she has laid a foundation for a younger generation to appreciate the act of giving.

Neill is a fourth-grade teacher at Mooresville Intermediate School, and she just recently relinquished her year-long title as Miss Statesville. As her theme during her reign, Neill chose Our Towns Habitat for Humanity, an organization that seeks an end to poverty housing by building simple, decent homes and selling them with zero-interest loans to people in need.

But she combined her theme with her career, and along with the help of her fourth grade students during last school year, raised about 300,000 pennies — or about $3,000 — for Habitat.

"Teresa's energy and wonderful connections with the community have been a great way to communicate both the need for more affordable housing and what Habitat is working to solve," said Rich Coleman, executive director of Our Towns Habitat for Humanity, which serves Mooresville, South Iredell and North Mecklenburg.

"She's a shining light."

Neill started her project her second year of teaching

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Above, left, Jeff Haddad counts pennies before putting them in a bag. At left, Teresa Neill's former fourth grade students make the project a group effort. (Photos by Jaime Gatton)

Police find robberies' suspect in county jail

Bank customer's tip leads to arrest

By NANCY BAKER

An alert bank customer in Statesville helped Mooresville police find a man they believe was involved in two recent bank robberies — one at Mooresville Savings Bank on July 31 and the other at First Charter Bank on Aug. 3.

"A concerned citizen saw a man behaving in a suspicious manner in a Statesville bank that Friday after the First Charter robbery," said Lt. Carl Robbins, who heads up the Mooresville Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division. "He was so suspicious, the citizen followed the man to his car across the street and got his tag number."

That helping hand led police to Andrew Perry Basgall, 34, of Statesville, who was in the Iredell County Jail on unrelated charges when Detective T.A. Marcum located him. Marcum was assigned to investigate both of the robberies.

Basgall has been charged with two counts of felonious common law robbery and was placed under a $20,000 secured bond.

The citizen, explained Robbins, didn't know about the First Charter robbery at the time he followed Basgall out of the Statesville bank. When he read about the robbery in the news, Robbins said, the man noticed a similarity and called Mooresville police.

The tag number led investigators to the owner of the car, which Basgall had borrowed from a woman he knew. Further investigation led them to Basgall.

"Detective Marcum did a lot of work on these cases," Robbins said. "And we had a lot of help from the citizen and the Statesville Police Department. The department and Sgt. Tom Anderson were instrumental in locating the owner of the vehicle."

On July 31, at 12:45 p.m., according to police reports, a man entered the Mooresville Savings Bank on North Main Street and gave a note to a teller. The note demanded money and, after being given an undetermined amount of cash, the man left the bank and was able to elude police.

On Friday, Aug. 3, a similar incident occurred at the First Charter on N.C. 150 at I-77/Exit 36. According to reports, about 2:30 p.m., a man showed a note to a teller at First Charter instructing her to keep quiet, to "give me your $100," and not to push the alarm. When the teller did not move, the man turned and left the bank. The teller then told her supervisor and the bank manager of the note and the bank manager called 911.

Police searched the area around the bank for the man, using both K-9 units, but were unable to locate the man due to the high traffic in the area, reports indicate.

The suspect did not show a weapon in either robbery.