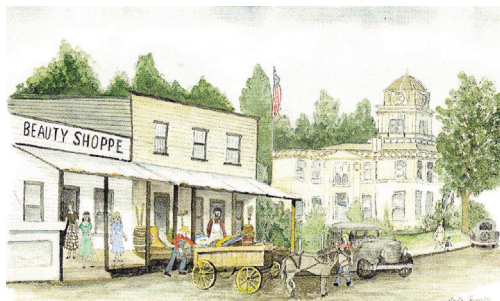


Bygone Days of Bakersville

Local artist Anita Connelly of Anita's Gallery is displaying her series of watercolors illustrating life in the town of Bakersville in the 1920s and 30s at the Mitchell County Historic Courthouse throughout the month of September, 2010.



When Anita relocated to Bakersville in 2000, she was befriended by Mary Lee Barron who was kind enough to loan the artist her extensive photo collection of downtown Bakersville in bygone days.



Inspired by these local historic treasures, Anita completed nine watercolor paintings using Mary Lee's photographs, as well as reproductions offered to her by George Bruce Morgan.

This nostalgic exhibit contains Anita's four remaining original watercolors, as well as signed prints of the five paintings which have been previously sold. Prints are also available, framed or unframed, at Anita's Gallery directly across the street from the Mitchell County Historic Courthouse.