

# On the rise

## Miller's Bake Shoppe brings fresh-baked goods to Draft

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The aroma of freshly baked goods and the sound of soft music fill the air at Miller's Bake Shoppe. Owner David Miller meets you as you enter the store and helps you find whatever tasty treat would brighten up your day and fill your tummy.

Many kinds of pies, breads, cakes, and even homemade bread tempt the palate as you inspect the well-laden shelves.

Miller's Bake Shoppe has been in business for three years and has done well for itself, according to Miller. When asked what inspired her and her husband David to start a bakery, co-owner Miriam Miller said that Yoder's Bread Basket had asked them to consider buying it.

"I had done some baking at yard sales and it was something I kinda got into," said Miller.

Despite a lull in business due to the construction on Route 608 (Cold Springs Road), the small shop has thrived. Sales have steadily increased over the last several years as the com-

munity's awareness of the bakery has grown. Most of the sales are walk-ins, people who spy the bakery while driving by, and decide to stop in. There are, however, some wholesales.

Miller's Bake Shoppe is a family owned and run business. The Miller's children Geneva and Jeremy and their cousin, Andrea Miller, help make the baked goods.

The bakery's most popular baked product is cinnamon rolls. At Christmas time, the bakery bakes their popular red velvet cakes, but the cakes can be purchased anytime of the year by special order. Another special Christmas treat at the Miller's Bake Shoppe is mincemeat pie.

Other cakes that can be purchased by special order anytime of the year are applesauce cakes and fruit cakes. Pies also can be purchased by special order, but the Miller's keep a good stock of fruit pies in the shop.

Miller's Bake Shoppe is located at 23 Wayne Avenue in Stuarts Draft. They will be open until Christmas Eve this year, after which time they will be closed until February 1 in order to do inventory.



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The sign in front of Miller's Bake Shoppe.