

Between the Bookends

By Susan Cackler, Library Assistant
Banks Public Library



The Friends of the Banks Public Library annual plant and book sale is here! The sale will be tomorrow, Friday May 2 from 3-7:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The sale will feature many types of plants, including vegetable starts, garden plants, perennials and trees. Books to suit all tastes will be available and reasonably priced. Sale books come from donations and from withdrawn library books. The sale is a major fundraiser for the Friends and allows them to help support the summer reading program and donation of "hot picks" to the library.

Join us for Preschool Story Time Wednesdays at 10:15 am. This event is geared toward 3-6 year-olds, but younger siblings are welcome. This month Miss Cathy will read on the following themes:

- May 7: What a Mom!
- May 14: One Year Older
- May 21: Monkey See, Monkey Do
- May 28: Froggy Frenzy

Bring your craft projects to the community room at the Banks Public Library to enjoy this free work space sponsored by the Friends of the Banks Library. Gather ideas from other creative people and enjoy meeting people in your community. Coffee, tea and light snacks are provided. Held from 5-9:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of most months, the next craft night will be May 7.

The Friends of the Banks Public Library can always use your support. You can make a tax deductible do-

nation, become a member, volunteer, or bring your recycling to Swatco on the **second Saturday** of each month. Money that the Friends raise helps the library purchase Cultural Passes, upgrade equipment and purchase books and movies.

On the Shelf:

Twenty Wishes, by Debbie Macomber. Macomber is back with another Blossom Street book. This novel follows Anne Marie Roche as she looks to find happiness again. She is 38, childless and a recent widow. Along with several other widows, Anne Marie starts a list of 20 things she always wanted to do but never did. The story unfolds as she learns that happiness is more than finding a man and that wishes come true in unexpected way.

Careless in Red, by Elizabeth George. George fans have been waiting for this novel to see how Lynley will go on after the death of Helen. While he is in retreat, trying to recover, he comes across another murder. It is the work of a clever killer and Lynley is soon a witness and possible suspect. Detective Lynley will have to let go of the past long enough to solve a devious crime.

Spells and Sleeping Bags by Sarah Mlynowski. This is the third in a series of young adult novels that follow a young witch as she comes into her powers. This time Rachel Weinstein is leaving Manhattan to spend the summer at Camp Wood Lake. Now she has to deal with thirsty mosquitoes and an out-of-control spell that zapped away her clothes. This book stands alone or check out *Bras & Broomsticks* and *Frogs & French Kisses*.

The Apostate's Tale by Margaret Frazer. Set in 1452, this medieval mystery finds the nuns of St. Frideswide's priory prepar-

ing for the end of lent when a runaway nun returns, bringing her illegitimate child. She claims she is penitent but worldly problems follow her into the convent.

Betrayal by John Lescroart. San Francisco defense attorney Dismas Hardy and Detective Abe Glitsky are reunited in a story filled with the big themes that are worthy of them: the intersection of love, betrayal and a desperate search for the truth in a critical matter of national security.

Banks Public Library: 111 Market Street.
Hours: Mon., Fri., Sat., 11 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tues., Wed., Thurs., 11 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.;
Preschool Story Time: Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m. when school is in session
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How does rappelling down a mountainside to rescue an injured hiker sound? How about searching for evidence at a crime scene? Or maybe riding with a deputy on patrol? These are just a few of the many opportunities afforded to members of the Washington County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post #877.

Today, Thursday, May 1, and Saturday, May 3, at 6:30 p.m., members of Explorer Post #877 will host open house events to give young people and their parents an opportunity to see what this exciting pro-

gram has to offer. Current Explorer Post members and advisors will be on hand to answer questions and help acquaint visitors with their work.

Established in 1966, Explorer Post #877 is one of the oldest Law Enforcement Search and Rescue Explorer Programs in the nation. As the primary ground Search and Rescue team for Washington County, members participate in Search and Rescue missions for lost people, downed aircraft, and evidence in major crimes. Their skills and ser-

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