Banks Linear Trail Brave Run

The 2012 theme of the Banks Linear Trail Brave Run will be "Lace'em up and Run like a Rock Star". The 5K/10K Run/Walk will be held Saturday, June 2, starting at 9:00 a.m.

The race starts at the Banks high school track. The event

supports the Banks Elementary school technology fund.

Registration information is available at banksbraverun. blogspot.com and will be accepted online at www.sign meup.com through May 25, or via mail postmarked no later than May 18.

Banks Public Library to close for renovations on Monday, May 7

Renovation of the Banks Public Library began April 16, after months of planning. Construction should take about six weeks to complete. The first weeks of construction will cause some disruption to normal library traffic, but the library will remain open and many items will be available for checkout. The library will close for three weeks on Monday, May 7, to allow for the most efficient renovation.

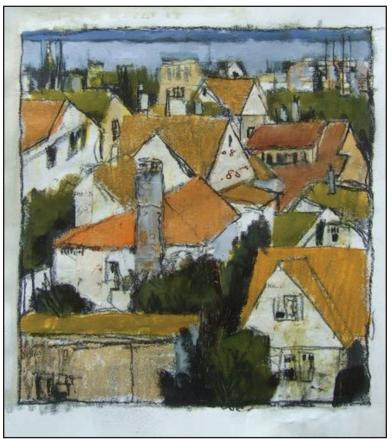
During the closure period, patrons are encouraged to have their holds sent to the next most convenient library. For many, this will be Forest Grove. North Plains and Hillsboro Main are also good options. All patron holds with a pick-up library of Banks automatically became inactive on April 30. Those holds will reactivate May 30 and items ready to ship will be available for checkout in early June when the library reopens.

The renovation will result in an expansion of the library into the existing community room and construction of a new lobby. This expansion will provide room for the ever-expanding library collection, additional seating for patrons to read or access library Wi-Fi with their laptops, and increased staff work space.

Watch for an announcement of the grand re-opening and celebration in June.

The City of Banks is providing the funding for the renovation portion of this two-phase project. The second phase, construction of new space to allow for future growth of the library and to reinstate a community room for public meeting use, will be financed through various funding sources, including grants and donations. The Friends of the Library and a group of interested citizens will spearhead the fundraising campaign. To prepare for this effort, the Library Expansion Team is undergoing training provided through a grant from the Ford Family Foundations.

Registration now open for 2012 Banks artist featured at Eugene Gallery



N. Plains Garden Club Sale, May 5

The North Plains Community Garden Club Plant Sale is moving. This annual event, held in conjunction with the North Plains Citywide Garage Sale, will be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 5. The new location will be at Jessie Mays Community Hall, north of Highway 26, just west of NW Glencoe Rd. at 30975 NW Hillcrest St.

Included in the sale will be annual, perennial, herb, and

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vegetable plants, along with planted pots, hanging baskets, house plants, garden art, and more. Proceeds from this annual sale allow the garden club to support the North Plains community by supplying flowers to the downtown area and funding other local charity projects for schools, college students, and area shelters.

Paintings by Banks artist Robert Schlegel, will be featured at an exhibit at the Karin Clarke Gallery, 749 Willamette St., Eugene. The show runs from May 4 - 31. The Artist Reception will be May 4, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Regular gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday from Noon to 5:30 p.m.

The exhibited works are acrylic and mixed media on paper, most are 7"x9" or smaller, and feature houses, landscapes, and streetscapes.

The gallery is located at 749 Willamette St., Eugene.

Left, one of the paintings by Robert Schlegel shown at the Karin Clarke Gallery starting May 4.



