BANNER CORP
Form 8-K
January 23, 2013

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 23, 2013

Banner Corporation
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington	0-26584	91-1691604
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10 S. First Avenue, Walla Walla, Washington	99362
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number (including area code) (509) 527-3636

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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[ ] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On January 23, 2013, Banner Corporation issued its earnings release for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2012. A copy of the earnings release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is being furnished herewith and this list shall constitute the exhibit index:

99.1 Press Release of Banner Corporation dated January 23, 2013.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

BANNER CORPORATION

Date: January 23, 2013

By: /s/Lloyd W. Baker
Lloyd W. Baker
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer