

PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS INC

Form 10-Q

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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
FORM 10-Q**

(mark one)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009

or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OF 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 000-31225

, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Tennessee

62-1812853

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

211 Commerce Street, Suite 300, Nashville, Tennessee

37201

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(615) 744-3700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changes since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large Accelerated Filer Accelerated Filer Non-accelerated Filer Smaller reporting company
(do not check if you are a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes o No p

As of October 23, 2009 there were 32,956,737 shares of common stock, \$1.00 par value per share, issued and outstanding.

Pinnacle Financial Partners, Inc.
Report on Form 10-Q
September 30, 2009
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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Pinnacle Financial Partners, Inc. (Pinnacle Financial) may from time to time make written or oral statements, including statements contained in this report which may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The words expect, anticipate, intend, plan, believe, seek, estimate, goal, target, should, expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements, but other statements not based on historical information may also be considered forward-looking. All forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and other facts that may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Pinnacle Financial to differ materially from any results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, without limitation, (i) deterioration in the financial condition of borrowers resulting in significant increases in loan losses and provisions for those losses; (ii) continuation of the historically low short-term interest rate environment; (iii) the inability of Pinnacle Financial to continue to grow its loan portfolio in the Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin MSA and the Knoxville MSA; (iv) changes in loan underwriting, credit review or loss reserve policies associated with economic conditions, examination conclusions, or regulatory developments; (v) increased competition with other financial institutions; (vi) greater than anticipated deterioration or lack of sustained growth in the national or local economies including the Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin MSA and the Knoxville MSA, particularly in commercial and residential real estate markets; (vii) rapid fluctuations or unanticipated changes in interest rates; (viii) the results of regulatory examinations; (ix) the development of any new market other than Nashville or Knoxville; (x) a merger or acquisition; (xi) any activity in the capital markets that would cause Pinnacle Financial to conclude that there was impairment of any asset, including intangible assets; (xii) the impact of governmental restrictions on entities participating in the Capital Purchase Program, of the U.S. Department of the Treasury (the Treasury); and (xiii) changes in state and federal legislation, regulations or policies applicable to banks and other financial service providers, including regulatory or legislative developments arising out of current unsettled conditions in the economy. A more detailed description of these and other risks is contained in Pinnacle Financial 's most recent annual report on Form 10-K as updated by its Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 21, 2009, its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 3, 2009 and in Part II Item 1A Risk Factors below. Many of such factors are beyond Pinnacle 's ability to control or predict, and readers are cautioned not to put undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. Pinnacle disclaims any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements contained in this report, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)

	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
ASSETS		
Cash and noninterest-bearing due from banks	\$ 50,524,482	\$ 68,388,961
Interest-bearing due from banks	55,914,345	8,869,680
Federal funds sold	14,584,425	12,994,114
Cash and cash equivalents	121,023,252	90,252,755
Securities available-for-sale, at fair value	925,888,875	839,229,428
Securities held-to-maturity (fair value of \$6,766,695 and \$10,642,973 at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively)	6,550,727	10,551,256
Mortgage loans held-for-sale	15,334,959	25,476,788
Loans	3,607,886,366	3,354,907,269
Less allowance for loan losses	(82,981,386)	(36,484,073)
Loans, net	3,524,904,980	3,318,423,196
Premises and equipment, net	74,105,789	68,865,221
Other investments	37,960,842	33,616,450
Accrued interest receivable	18,008,909	17,565,141
Goodwill	244,116,260	244,160,624
Core deposits and other intangible assets	14,459,850	16,871,202
Other real estate	22,768,379	18,305,880
Other assets	89,587,040	70,756,823
Total assets	\$ 5,094,709,862	\$ 4,754,074,764
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY		
Deposits:		
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 504,480,992	\$ 424,756,813
Interest-bearing	356,390,529	375,992,912
Savings and money market accounts	948,874,564	694,582,319
Time	2,010,162,777	2,037,914,307
Total deposits	3,819,908,862	3,533,246,351
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	215,673,900	184,297,793
Federal Home Loan Bank advances and other borrowings	222,986,207	201,966,181
Federal funds purchased		71,643,000
Subordinated debt	97,476,000	97,476,000
Accrued interest payable	8,018,015	8,326,264

Other liabilities	20,555,750	29,820,779
Total liabilities	4,384,618,734	4,126,776,368
Stockholders equity:		
Preferred stock, no par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized; 95,000 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2009, and December 31, 2008	89,167,706	88,348,647
Common stock, par value \$1.00; 90,000,000 shares authorized; 32,956,737 issued and outstanding at September 30, 2009 and 23,762,124 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2008	32,956,737	23,762,124
Common stock warrants	3,348,402	6,696,804
Additional paid-in capital	523,232,882	417,040,974
Retained earnings	47,322,426	84,380,447
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of taxes	14,062,975	7,069,400
Total stockholders equity	710,091,128	627,298,396
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 5,094,709,862	\$ 4,754,074,764

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Interest income:				
Loans, including fees	\$ 41,665,915	\$ 44,075,167	\$ 119,818,533	\$ 131,694,867
Securities:				
Taxable	8,607,924	6,005,024	26,088,836	15,434,782
Tax-exempt	1,694,323	1,339,930	4,742,447	4,030,699
Federal funds sold and other	473,663	452,690	1,338,587	1,647,725
Total interest income	52,441,825	51,872,811	151,988,403	152,808,073
Interest expense:				
Deposits	15,099,627	18,778,955	49,253,606	57,583,697
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	363,302	681,912	1,147,363	2,081,055
Federal Home Loan Bank advances and other borrowings	2,430,839	3,130,448	7,826,936	8,820,575
Total interest expense	17,893,768	22,591,315	58,227,905	68,485,327
Net interest income	34,548,057	29,281,496	93,760,498	84,322,746
Provision for loan losses	22,134,025	3,124,819	101,063,950	7,503,412
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	12,414,032	26,156,677	(7,303,452)	76,819,334
Noninterest income:				
Service charges on deposit accounts	2,559,394	2,778,097	7,604,774	8,036,320
Investment services	1,112,059	1,271,284	3,044,444	3,759,779
Insurance sales commissions	906,298	959,104	3,130,849	2,612,225
Gain on loan sales and loan participations, net	899,553	1,460,478	3,820,667	2,996,390
Gain on investment sales, net			6,462,241	
Net gain on sale of premises	13,895		22,784	1,010,881
Trust fees	585,737	584,927	1,885,091	1,621,385
Other noninterest income	1,660,156	2,199,051	5,504,191	6,641,819
Total noninterest income	7,737,092	9,252,941	31,475,041	26,678,829
Noninterest expense:				
Salaries and employee benefits	14,245,485	13,013,116	41,672,578	39,382,393
Equipment and occupancy	4,445,666	3,731,932	12,991,928	11,235,137
Foreclosed real estate expense	1,250,152	95,255	5,864,375	285,061
Marketing and other business development	512,063	380,555	1,417,780	1,234,933

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Postage and supplies	515,110	761,744	2,174,796	2,253,371
Amortization of intangibles	776,784	788,267	2,411,351	2,312,333
Insurance, including FDIC premiums	2,587,973	712,351	7,698,031	2,215,418
Merger related expense		1,165,177		5,620,216
Other noninterest expense	2,947,106	2,677,975	8,898,934	7,354,316
Total noninterest expense	27,280,339	23,326,372	83,129,773	71,893,178
Income (loss) before income taxes	(7,129,215)	12,083,246	(58,958,184)	31,604,985
Income tax expense (benefit)	(3,782,045)	3,288,104	(25,925,471)	8,783,920
Net income (loss)	(3,347,170)	8,795,142	(33,032,713)	22,821,065
Preferred stock dividends	1,213,889		3,602,083	
Accretion on preferred stock discount	290,105		819,059	
Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ (4,851,164)	\$ 8,795,142	\$ (37,453,855)	\$ 22,821,065
Per share information:				
Basic net income (loss) per common share available to common stockholders	\$ (0.15)	\$ 0.38	\$ (1.39)	\$ 1.01
Diluted net income (loss) per common share available to common stockholders	\$ (0.15)	\$ 0.36	\$ (1.39)	\$ 0.96
Weighted average shares outstanding:				
Basic	32,460,614	23,174,998	27,011,749	22,559,449
Diluted	32,460,614	24,439,642	27,011,749	23,826,368

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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**PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY
AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)
(Unaudited)**

	Preferred Stock		Common Stock		Common Stock Warrants	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comp. Income (Loss), net	Total Stockholders Equity
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount					
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	95,000	\$ 88,348,647	23,762,124	\$ 23,762,124	\$ 6,696,804	\$ 417,040,974	\$ 84,380,447	\$ 7,069,400	\$ 627,290,000		
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	95,000	\$ 89,167,706	32,956,737	\$ 32,956,737	\$ 3,348,402	\$ 523,232,882	\$ 47,322,426	\$ 14,062,975	\$ 710,095,000

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PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)

	Nine months ended	
	September 30,	
	2009	2008
Operating activities:		
Net income (loss)	\$ (33,032,713)	\$ 22,821,065
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Net amortization/accretion of premium/discount on securities	3,631,779	526,022
Depreciation and amortization	7,833,796	4,788,550
Provision for loan losses	101,063,950	7,503,412
Gain on loan sales	(3,820,667)	(2,996,390)
Gain on investment sales, net	(6,462,241)	
Net gains on sale of premises	(22,784)	(1,010,881)
Stock-based compensation expense	2,371,549	1,706,528
Deferred tax (benefit) expense	(25,140,069)	(1,274,403)
Losses on foreclosed real estate and other investments	4,517,522	194,558
Excess tax benefit from stock compensation	(44,364)	(805,414)
Mortgage loans held for sale:		
Loans originated	(509,606,923)	(212,279,309)
Loans sold	523,338,574	211,353,184
Decrease in other assets	17,377,317	7,912,982
Increase (decrease) in other liabilities	(9,573,279)	2,672,391
Net cash provided by operating activities	72,431,447	41,112,295
Investing activities:		
Activities in securities available-for-sale:		
Purchases	(614,690,009)	(233,008,882)
Sales	346,895,583	
Maturities, prepayments and calls	195,745,788	105,725,683
Activities in securities held-to-maturity:		
Maturities, prepayments and calls	3,960,000	16,080,000
Increase in loans, net	(332,879,425)	(472,054,326)
Purchases of premises and equipment and software	(10,419,279)	(6,198,441)
Proceeds from the sale of premises and equipment and software	14,885	2,821,702
Cash used for acquisition		(3,800,000)
Other investments	(4,709,089)	(2,583,983)
Net cash used in investing activities	(416,081,546)	(593,018,247)
Financing activities:		
Net increase in deposits	287,043,453	371,825,090
Net increase in securities sold under agreements to repurchase	31,376,107	42,736,082

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Net decrease in Federal funds purchased	(71,643,000)	(39,682,000)
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank:		
Issuances	70,000,000	110,478,047
Payments	(30,860,649)	(13,882,995)
Net increase (decrease) in borrowings under lines of credit	(18,000,000)	9,000,000
Preferred dividends paid	(3,206,249)	
Proceeds from the issuance of subordinated debt		15,000,000
Issuance of common stock, net of expenses	109,027,785	21,454,758
Exercise of common stock options and stock appreciation rights	638,785	3,246,298
Excess tax benefit from stock compensation	44,364	805,414
Net cash provided by financing activities	374,420,596	520,800,694
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	30,770,497	(31,105,258)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	90,252,755	122,503,863
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 121,023,252	\$ 91,398,605

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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**PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)**

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Business Pinnacle Financial Partners, Inc. (Pinnacle Financial) is a bank holding company whose primary business is conducted by its wholly-owned subsidiary, Pinnacle National Bank (Pinnacle National). Pinnacle National is a commercial bank headquartered in Nashville, Tennessee. Pinnacle National provides a full range of banking services in its primary market areas of the Nashville-Davidson-Rutherford-Franklin, Tennessee and Knoxville, Tennessee Metropolitan Statistical Areas.

In addition to Pinnacle National, Pinnacle Financial, for the time period following its merger with Mid-America Bancshares, Inc. (Mid-America) on November 30, 2007 through February 29, 2008, conducted banking operations through the two banks formerly owned by Mid-America: PrimeTrust Bank in Nashville, Tennessee and Bank of the South in Mt. Juliet, Tennessee.

Basis of Presentation The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with instructions to Form 10-Q and therefore do not include all information and footnotes necessary for a fair presentation of financial position, results of operations, and cash flows in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. All adjustments consisting of normally recurring accruals that, in the opinion of management, are necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position and results of operations for the periods covered by the report have been included. The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Pinnacle Financial consolidated financial statements and related notes appearing in the 2008 Annual Report previously filed on Form 10-K.

These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Pinnacle Financial and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. PNFP Statutory Trust I, PNFP Statutory Trust II, PNFP Statutory Trust III, PNFP Statutory Trust IV and Collateral Plus, LLC, are affiliates of Pinnacle Financial and are included in these consolidated financial statements pursuant to the equity method of accounting. Significant intercompany transactions and accounts are eliminated in consolidation.

Accounting Standards Codification In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 168, *The FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, a replacement of FASB Statement No. 162*. This statement modifies the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) hierarchy by establishing only two levels of GAAP, authoritative and nonauthoritative accounting literature. Effective July 2009, the FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC), also known collectively as the Codification, is considered the single source of authoritative U.S. accounting and reporting standards, except for additional authoritative rules and interpretive releases issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Nonauthoritative guidance and literature would include, among other things, FASB Concepts Statements, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Issue Papers and Technical Practice Aids and accounting textbooks. The Codification was developed to organize GAAP pronouncements by topic so that users can more easily access authoritative accounting guidance. It is organized by topic, subtopic, section, and paragraph, each of which is identified by a numerical designation. FASB ASC 105-10, *Generally Accepted Accounting Principles*, became applicable beginning in third quarter 2009. All accounting references have been updated, and therefore SFAS references have been replaced with ASC references except for SFAS references that have not been integrated into the codification.

Use of Estimates The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities as of the balance sheet date and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change in the near term include the determination of the allowance for loan losses, determination of any impairment of intangibles and the valuation of other real estate.

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PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

Cash Flow Information Supplemental cash flow information addressing certain cash payments and noncash transactions for each of the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 was as follows:

	<i>For the nine months ended</i>	
	<i>September 30,</i>	
	<i>2009</i>	<i>2008</i>
<i>Cash Payments:</i>		
Interest	\$ 59,036,422	\$ 72,581,518
Income taxes	3,200,000	7,500,000
<i>Noncash Transactions:</i>		
Loans charged-off to the allowance for loan losses	55,120,618	2,442,259
Loans foreclosed upon with repossessions, transferred to other real estate	24,706,149	18,195,935
Net unrealized holding losses (gains) on available-for-sale securities, net of deferred taxes	6,993,575	(2,827,340)

Income (Loss) Per Common Share Basic net income (loss) per share available to common stockholders (*EPS*) is computed by dividing net income or loss available to common stockholders by the weighted average common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted *EPS* reflects the dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted. The difference between basic and diluted weighted average shares outstanding is attributable to common stock options, common stock appreciation rights, warrants and restricted shares. The dilutive effect of outstanding options, common stock appreciation rights, warrants and restricted shares is reflected in diluted *EPS* by application of the treasury stock method.

As of September 30, 2009, there were 2,149,000 stock options and 10,000 stock appreciation rights outstanding to purchase common shares. Most of these options and stock appreciation rights have exercise prices and compensation costs attributable to current services, which is less than the average market price of Pinnacle Financial's common stock. Additionally, as of September 30, 2009, Pinnacle Financial had outstanding warrants to purchase 612,455 of common shares. Due to the net loss attributable to common stockholders for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, no potentially dilutive shares related to these stock options, stock appreciation rights, and warrants were included in the loss per share calculations, as including such shares would have an antidilutive effect on earnings per share. As of September 30, 2008, there were 2,253,000 stock options and 12,000 stock appreciation rights outstanding to purchase common shares. Most of these options and stock appreciation rights have exercise prices and compensation costs attributable to current services, which when considered in relation to the average market price of Pinnacle Financial's common stock, are considered dilutive and are considered in Pinnacle Financial's diluted income per share calculation for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008. As of September 30, 2008, Pinnacle Financial had outstanding warrants to purchase 370,000 of common shares which have been considered in the calculation of Pinnacle Financial's diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008.

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PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
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(Unaudited)

The following is a summary of the basic and diluted earnings per share calculations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008:

	<i>For the three months ended</i>		<i>For the nine months ended</i>	
	<i>September 30,</i>		<i>September 30,</i>	
	<i>2009</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2008</i>
Basic earnings per share calculation:				
Numerator Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ (4,851,164)	\$ 8,795,142	\$ (37,453,855)	\$ 22,821,065
Denominator Average common shares outstanding	32,460,614	23,174,998	27,011,749	22,559,449
Basic net income (loss) per share available to common stockholders	\$ (0.15)	\$ 0.38	\$ (1.39)	\$ 1.01
Diluted earnings per share calculation:				
Numerator Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ (4,851,164)	\$ 8,795,142	\$ (37,453,855)	\$ 22,821,065
Denominator Average common shares outstanding	32,460,614	23,174,998	27,011,749	22,559,449
Dilutive shares contingently issuable		1,264,644		1,266,919
Average diluted common shares outstanding	32,460,614	24,439,642	27,011,749	23,826,368
Diluted net income (loss) per share available to common stockholders	\$ (0.15)	\$ 0.36	\$ (1.39)	\$ 0.96

Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

Fair Value Measurement In April 2009, the FASB issued ASC 820-10-65-4, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures. FASB ASC 820-10-65-4 provides additional guidance for estimating fair value in accordance with FASB ASC 820 when the volume and level of activity for the asset or liability have decreased significantly. FASB ASC 820-10-65-4 also provides guidance on identifying circumstances that indicate a transaction is not orderly. The provisions of FASB ASC 820-10-65-4 were effective April 1, 2009. There was no impact as a result of adopting FASB ASC 820-10-65-4.

In April 2009, the FASB issued ASC 825-10-65-1, Financial Instruments, which requires disclosures about fair value of financial instruments in interim reporting periods of publicly traded companies that were previously only required to be disclosed in annual financial statements. The provisions of FASB ASC 825-10-65-1 were effective April 1, 2009. As FASB ASC 825-10-65-1 amends only the disclosure requirements about fair value of financial instruments in interim periods, the adoption of FASB ASC 825-10-65-1 had no impact to Pinnacle Financial's financial condition or results of operations.

Pinnacle Financial has an established process for determining fair values. Fair value is based upon quoted market prices, where available. If listed prices or quotes are not available, fair value is based upon internally developed models or processes that use primarily market-based or independently-sourced market data, including interest rate yield curves, option volatilities and third party information. Valuation adjustments may be made to ensure that financial instruments are recorded at fair value. Furthermore, while Pinnacle Financial believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies, or assumptions, to

determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different estimate of fair value at the reporting date.

Subsequent Events We adopted the provisions of FASB ASC 855, Subsequent Events, during the period ended June 30, 2009. FASB ASC 855 establishes general standards of accounting for and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued. The adoption of FASB ASC 855 did not impact our financial statements. We evaluated all events or transactions that occurred after September 30, 2009, through October 28, 2009, the date we issued these financial statements. During this period we did not have any material recognizable subsequent events that required recognition in our disclosures to the September 30, 2009 financial statements.

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Other-than-temporary impairment In April 2009, the FASB issued ASC 320-10-65-1, Investments Debt and Equity Securities, that amends current other-than-temporary impairment guidance in GAAP for debt securities to make the guidance more operational and to improve the presentation and disclosure of other-than-temporary impairments on debt and equity securities in the financial statements. This ASC does not amend existing recognition and measurement guidance related to other-than-temporary impairments of equity securities. The provisions of FASB ASC 320-10-65-1 are effective for the Company's interim period ending on June 30, 2009. There was no impact from the adoption of FASB ASC 320-10-65-1 on Pinnacle Financial's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Note 2. Participation in U.S. Treasury Capital Purchase Program and Private Placement of Common Stock

On December 12, 2008, Pinnacle Financial issued 95,000 shares of preferred stock to the U.S. Treasury for \$95 million pursuant to the U.S. Treasury's Capital Purchase Program (CPP) under the Troubled Assets Relief Program (TARP). Additionally, Pinnacle Financial issued warrants to purchase 534,910 shares of common stock to the U.S. Treasury as a condition to its participation in the CPP. The warrants have an exercise price of \$26.64 each and are immediately exercisable and expire 10 years from the date of issuance. Proceeds from this sale of the preferred stock are expected to be used for general corporate purposes, including supporting the continued, anticipated growth of Pinnacle National. The CPP preferred stock is non-voting, other than having class voting rights on certain matters, and pays cumulative dividends quarterly at a rate of 5% per annum for the first five years and 9% thereafter. Pinnacle Financial can redeem the preferred shares issued to the U.S. Treasury under the CPP at any time subject to a requirement that it must consult with its primary federal regulators before redemption.

Management used a cost of capital model to calculate the fair value of the Series A preferred stock issued to the U.S. Treasury in connection with the CPP. The cost of capital model involved estimating a reasonable return for a similar \$95 million capital investment in Pinnacle Financial. The model incorporated a risk free rate (Long Term U.S. Treasury bond rate) added to a market premium for Pinnacle Financial's common stock. For the market premium for Pinnacle Financial's common stock, Pinnacle Financial multiplied its beta factor as reported on the Nasdaq Global Select Markets website as of December 11, 2008 by 5% (the result of which was the estimated market risk premium). Additionally, due to the relatively small size of the offering, Pinnacle Financial added an additional risk premium of 2.3% to the total. The result was a cost of capital calculation of 8.3%. Pinnacle Financial believed 8.3% was a reasonable after-tax return to an investor who might be willing to acquire a \$95 million interest in Pinnacle Financial. Pinnacle Financial then forecasted the cash outflows of the preferred stock issuance at the 5% dividend rate assuming a terminal payment of \$95 million five years from issuance prior to the dividend payment rate's increase from 5% to 9%. Using a discounted cash flow model with a discount rate of 8.3%, the result was a fair value for the Series A preferred stock of \$83.7 million.

The fair value of the common stock warrants issued in tandem with the Series A preferred stock was determined to be approximately \$6.3 million. The fair value of the common stock warrants as of December 12, 2008 was estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and the following assumptions:

Risk free interest rate	2.64%
Expected life of warrants	10 years
Expected dividend yield	0.00%
Expected volatility	30.3%
Weighted average fair value	\$ 11.86

Pinnacle Financial's computation of expected volatility is based on weekly historical volatility since September of 2002. The risk free interest rate of the warrants were based on the closing market bid for U.S. Treasury securities corresponding to the expected life of the common stock warrants in effect at the time of grant.

The fair value of the Series A preferred stock and the fair value of the common stock warrants were summed and the initial carrying amounts for the Series A preferred stock and the common stock warrants were calculated based on an allocation of the two fair value components. The aggregate fair value result for both the Series A preferred stock and

the common stock warrants was calculated to be \$90.0 million, with 7% of this aggregate total allocated to the warrants and 93% allocated to the Preferred Stock. As a result of this allocation, the \$95 million issuance resulted in the warrants having a value of \$6.7 million and the Series A preferred stock having an initial value of \$88.3 million.

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Management calculated the accretion amount of the Series A preferred stock discount using the effective interest method which resulted in an effective rate of 6.51%. That is, to accrete the \$6.7 million discount on the Series A preferred stock over the next five years on an effective interest method resulted in a calculation of 6.51% for the five year period. The \$6.7 million will be accreted as a reduction in net income available for common stockholders over the next five years at approximately \$1.1 million to \$1.3 million per year.

On June 16, 2009, Pinnacle Financial completed the sale of 8,855,000 shares of its common stock in a public offering, resulting in net proceeds to Pinnacle Financial of approximately \$109.0 million. As a result, and pursuant to the terms of the warrants issued to the U.S. Treasury in connection with Pinnacle Financial's participation in the CPP, the number of shares issuable upon exercise of the warrants issued to the U.S. Treasury in connection with the CPP was reduced by 50%, or 267,455 shares.

Note 3. Securities

The amortized cost and fair value of securities available-for-sale and held-to-maturity at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 are summarized as follows:

	September 30, 2009			
	Amortized	Gross	Gross	Fair
	Cost	Unrealized	Unrealized	Value
		Gains	Losses	
Securities available-for-sale:				
U.S. Treasury securities	\$	\$	\$	\$
U.S. government agency securities	225,374,270	3,385,210	304,927	228,454,553
Mortgage-backed securities	492,873,681	12,398,370	231,431	505,040,620
State and municipal securities	174,439,130	7,931,076	486,088	181,884,118
Corporate notes and other	10,109,707	547,039	147,162	10,509,584
	\$ 902,796,788	\$ 24,261,695	\$ 1,169,608	\$ 925,888,875
Securities held-to-maturity:				
U.S. government agency securities	\$	\$	\$	\$
State and municipal securities	6,550,727	265,190	49,222	6,766,695
	\$ 6,550,727	\$ 265,190	\$ 49,222	\$ 6,766,695
	December 31, 2008			
	Amortized	Gross	Gross	Fair
	Cost	Unrealized	Unrealized	Value
		Gains	Losses	
Securities available-for-sale:				
U.S. Treasury securities	\$	\$	\$	\$
U.S. Government agency securities	62,861,379	1,561,974		64,423,353
Mortgage-backed securities	626,414,161	12,140,209	197,086	638,357,284
State and municipal securities	136,727,876	1,454,803	3,357,443	134,825,236
Corporate notes	1,907,722	3,785	287,952	1,623,555
	\$ 827,911,138	\$ 15,160,771	\$ 3,842,481	\$ 839,229,428

Securities held-to-maturity:

U.S. government agency securities	\$ 1,997,967	\$ 5,593	\$	\$ 2,003,560
State and municipal securities	8,553,289	172,589	86,465	8,639,413
	\$ 10,551,256	\$ 178,182	\$ 86,465	\$ 10,642,973

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During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, Pinnacle Financial realized approximately \$8.45 million in gains and \$1.59 million in losses from the sale of \$347 million of available-for-sale securities. During the second quarter of 2009, we determined that an available-for-sale corporate security was other than temporarily impaired as the credit worthiness of the security had deteriorated. This impairment analysis resulted in a \$400,000 charge during the second quarter of 2009 with this amount offsetting the gain on the sale of investment securities. At September 30, 2009, approximately \$850.7 million of Pinnacle Financial's investment portfolio was pledged to secure public funds and other deposits and securities sold under agreements to repurchase.

The amortized cost and fair value of debt securities as of September 30, 2009 by contractual maturity are shown below. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities of mortgage-backed securities since the mortgages underlying the securities may be called or prepaid with or without penalty. Therefore, these securities are not included in the maturity categories in the following summary.

	Available-for-sale		Held-to-maturity	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Due in one year or less	\$ 1,600,110	\$ 1,610,302	\$ 765,305	\$ 775,906
Due in one year to five years	22,092,294	22,927,066	5,124,377	5,301,843
Due in five years to ten years	112,233,165	115,232,296	661,045	688,946
Due after ten years	273,997,538	281,078,591		
	\$ 409,923,107	\$ 420,848,255	\$ 6,550,727	\$ 6,766,695

At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, included in securities were the following investments with unrealized losses. The information below classifies these investments according to the term of the unrealized losses of less than twelve months or twelve months or longer:

	Investments with an Unrealized Loss of less than 12 months		Investments with an Unrealized Loss of 12 months or longer		Total Investments with an Unrealized Loss	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
<i>At September 30, 2009:</i>						
U.S. government agency securities	\$ 32,137,459	\$ 304,927	\$	\$	\$ 32,137,459	\$ 304,927
Mortgage-backed securities	27,374,928	223,564	371,915	7,867	27,746,843	231,431
State and municipal securities	4,786,793	193,618	8,007,632	341,692	12,794,425	535,310
Corporate notes	363,160	147,162			363,160	147,162
Total temporarily-impaired securities	\$ 64,662,340	\$ 869,270	\$ 8,379,547	\$ 349,559	\$ 73,041,887	\$ 1,218,830

At December 31, 2008:

U.S. government agency securities	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Mortgage-backed securities	29,622,695	119,315	2,520,127	77,771	32,142,822	197,086
State and municipal securities	28,560,915	1,095,573	32,466,087	2,348,335	61,027,002	3,443,908
Corporate notes	242,520	157,480	859,475	130,472	1,101,995	287,952
Total temporarily-impaired securities	\$ 58,426,130	\$ 1,372,368	\$ 35,845,689	\$ 2,556,578	\$ 94,271,819	\$ 3,928,946

The applicable date for determining when securities are in an unrealized loss position is September 30, 2009. As such, it is possible that a security had a market value that exceeded its amortized cost on other days during the past twelve-month period.

The unrealized losses associated with these investment securities are primarily driven by changes in interest rates and are not due to the credit quality of the securities. These securities will continue to be monitored as a part of our ongoing impairment analysis, but are expected to perform even if the rating agencies reduce the credit rating of the bond insurers. Management evaluates the financial performance of the issuers on a quarterly basis to determine if it is probable that the issuers can make all contractual principal and interest payments.

Because Pinnacle Financial does not intend to sell these securities and it is not more likely than not that Pinnacle Financial will be required to sell the securities before recovery of their amortized cost bases, which may be maturity, Pinnacle Financial does not consider these securities to be other-than-temporarily impaired at September 30, 2009. The carrying values of Pinnacle Financial's investment securities could decline in the future if the financial condition of issuers deteriorate and management determines it is probable that Pinnacle Financial will not recover the entire amortized cost bases of the securities. As a result, there is a risk that other-than-temporary impairment charges may occur in the future given the current economic environment.

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Note 4. Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses

The composition of loans at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 is summarized in the table below.

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
Commercial real estate mortgage	\$ 1,136,134,348	\$ 963,530,444
Consumer real estate mortgage	754,411,678	675,605,596
Construction and land development	583,948,510	658,798,934
Commercial and industrial	1,034,971,292	966,562,521
Consumer and other	98,420,538	90,409,774
Total loans	3,607,886,366	3,354,907,269
Allowance for loan losses	(82,981,386)	(36,484,073)
Loans, net	\$ 3,524,904,980	\$ 3,318,423,196

Changes in the allowance for loan losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and for the year ended December 31, 2008 are as follows:

	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 36,484,073	\$ 28,470,207
Charged-off loans	(55,120,618)	(5,133,274)
Recovery of previously charged-off loans	553,981	1,933,597
Provision for loan losses	101,063,950	11,213,543
Balance at end of period	\$ 82,981,386	\$ 36,484,073

At September 30, 2009, Pinnacle Financial had certain impaired loans of \$121,726,000 which were on nonaccruing interest status. At December 31, 2008, Pinnacle Financial had certain impaired loans of \$10,860,000 which were on nonaccruing interest status. In each case, at the date such loans were placed on nonaccrual status, Pinnacle Financial reversed all previously accrued interest income against current year earnings. Had nonaccruing loans been on accruing status, interest income would have been higher by \$4.6 million and \$794,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Impaired loans also include loans that Pinnacle National may elect to formally restructure due to the weakening credit status of a borrower such that the restructuring may facilitate a repayment plan that minimizes the potential losses that Pinnacle National may have to otherwise incur. These loans are classified as impaired loans and, if on nonaccruing status as of the date of restructuring, the loans are included in the nonperforming loan balances noted above. Not included in nonperforming loans are loans that have been restructured that were performing as of the restructure date. At September 30, 2009, there were \$12.83 million of accruing restructured loans that remain in a performing status. There were no accruing restructured loans at December 31, 2008.

Potential problem loans, which are not included in nonperforming assets, amounted to approximately \$259.5 million at September 30, 2009 compared to \$27.8 million at December 31, 2008. Potential problem loans represent those loans with a well-defined weakness and where information about possible credit problems of borrowers has caused management to have serious doubts about the borrower's ability to comply with present repayment terms. This

definition is believed to be substantially consistent with the standards established by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Pinnacle National's primary regulator, for loans classified as substandard, excluding the impact of nonperforming loans.

At September 30, 2009, Pinnacle Financial had granted loans and other extensions of credit amounting to approximately \$27,319,000 to directors, executive officers, and their related entities, of which \$21,220,000 had been drawn upon. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, \$2,587,000 of loan and other commitment increases and \$3,390,000 of principal and other reductions were made by directors, executive officers, and their related entities. The terms on these loans and extensions are on substantially the same terms customary for other persons similarly situated for the type of loan involved. None of these loans to directors, executive officers, and their related entities were impaired at September 30, 2009.

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At September 30, 2009, Pinnacle Financial had approximately \$15.3 million of mortgage loans held-for-sale compared to approximately \$25.5 million at December 31, 2008. These loans are marketed to potential investors prior to closing the loan with the borrower such that there is an agreement for the subsequent sale of the loan between the eventual investor and Pinnacle Financial prior to the loan being closed with the borrower. Pinnacle Financial sells loans to investors on a loan-by-loan basis and has not entered into any forward commitments with investors for future loan sales. All of these loan sales transfer servicing rights to the buyer. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, Pinnacle Financial recognized \$4,052,000 in gains on the sale of these loans compared to \$2,289,000, in the nine months ended September 30, 2008.

At September 30, 2009, Pinnacle Financial owned \$22,768,000 in other real estate which had been acquired, usually through foreclosure, from borrowers compared to \$18,306,000 at December 31, 2008. Substantially all of these amounts relate to homes and residential development projects that are either completed or are in various stages of construction for which Pinnacle Financial believes it has adequate collateral.

Note 5. Income Taxes

Pinnacle Financial's income tax expense (benefit) differs from the amounts computed by applying the Federal income tax statutory rates of 35% to income (loss) before income taxes. A reconciliation of the differences for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 is as follows:

	For the three months ended		For the nine months ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Income tax expense (benefit) at statutory rate	\$ (2,495,225)	\$ 4,229,136	\$ (20,635,364)	\$ 11,061,745
State tax (benefit) expense, net of Federal tax effect	(602,022)	(103,272)	(3,398,928)	(262,076)
Federal tax credits	(90,000)	(90,000)	(270,000)	(270,000)
Tax-exempt securities	(587,134)	(397,123)	(1,661,969)	(1,246,644)
Bank owned life insurance	(50,322)	(78,750)	(130,569)	(313,129)
Insurance premiums	(84,420)	(83,007)	(296,786)	(290,542)
Other items	127,078	(188,880)	468,145	104,566
Income tax expense (benefit)	\$ (3,782,045)	\$ 3,288,104	\$ (25,925,471)	\$ 8,783,920

Under FASB ASC 740, Income Taxes, companies are required to apply their estimated full year tax rate on a year to date basis in each interim period. Under FASB ASC 740-270 Accounting for Income Taxes in Interim Periods companies should not apply the estimated full year tax rate to interim results if the expected annual effective tax benefit rate exceeds the tax benefit rate based on interim items only. FASB ASC 740-270 requires that the tax benefit recognized be limited to the benefit calculated on interim items only. As such, Pinnacle Financial recorded a tax benefit through the third quarter based on the actual year-to-date results, in accordance with FASB ASC 740-270. The effective tax rate for 2009 and 2008 is impacted by Federal tax credits related to the New Markets Tax Credit program whereby a subsidiary of Pinnacle National has been awarded approximately \$2.3 million in future Federal tax credits which are available through 2010. Tax benefits related to these credits will be recognized for financial reporting purposes in the same periods that the credits are recognized in the Company's income tax returns. The credit that is available for the year ending December 31, 2009 and for the year ended December 31, 2008 is \$360,000. Pinnacle Financial believes that it will comply with the various regulatory provisions of the New Markets Tax Credit program, and therefore has reflected the impact of the credits in its estimated annual effective tax rate for 2009 and 2008.

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Note 6. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

In the normal course of business, Pinnacle Financial has entered into off-balance sheet financial instruments which include commitments to extend credit (i.e., including unfunded lines of credit) and standby letters of credit. Commitments to extend credit are usually the result of lines of credit granted to existing borrowers under agreements that the total outstanding indebtedness will not exceed a specific amount during the term of the indebtedness. Typical borrowers are commercial concerns that use lines of credit to supplement their treasury management functions, thus their total outstanding indebtedness may fluctuate during any time period based on the seasonality of their business and the resultant timing of their cash flows. Other typical lines of credit are related to home equity loans granted to consumers. Commitments to extend credit generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee.

Standby letters of credit are generally issued on behalf of an applicant (our customer) to a specifically named beneficiary and are the result of a particular business arrangement that exists between the applicant and the beneficiary. Standby letters of credit have fixed expiration dates and are usually for terms of two years or less unless terminated beforehand due to criteria specified in the standby letter of credit. A typical arrangement involves the applicant routinely being indebted to the beneficiary for such items as inventory purchases, insurance, utilities, lease guarantees or other third party commercial transactions. The standby letter of credit would permit the beneficiary to obtain payment from Pinnacle Financial under certain prescribed circumstances. Subsequently, Pinnacle Financial would then seek reimbursement from the applicant pursuant to the terms of the standby letter of credit.

Pinnacle Financial follows the same credit policies and underwriting practices when making these commitments as it does for on-balance sheet instruments. Each customer's creditworthiness is evaluated on a case-by-case basis, and the amount of collateral obtained, if any, is based on management's credit evaluation of the customer. Collateral held varies but may include cash, real estate and improvements, marketable securities, accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, and personal property.

The contractual amounts of these commitments are not reflected in the consolidated financial statements and would only be reflected if drawn upon. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the contractual amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. However, should the commitments be drawn upon and should our customers default on their resulting obligation to us, Pinnacle Financial's maximum exposure to credit loss, without consideration of collateral, is represented by the contractual amount of those instruments.

A summary of Pinnacle Financial's total contractual amount for all off-balance sheet commitments at September 30, 2009 is as follows:

Commitments to extend credit	\$ 935,147,000
Standby letters of credit	92,427,000

At September 30, 2009, the fair value of Pinnacle Financial's standby letters of credit was \$312,000. This amount represents the unamortized fee associated with these standby letters of credit and is included in the consolidated balance sheet of Pinnacle Financial. This fair value will decrease over time as the existing standby letters of credit approach their expiration dates.

Various legal claims also arise from time to time in the normal course of business. In the opinion of management, the resolution of these claims outstanding at September 30, 2009 will not have a material impact on Pinnacle Financial's financial statements.

Visa Litigation Pinnacle National is a member of the Visa USA network. Under Visa USA bylaws, Visa members are obligated to indemnify Visa USA and/or its parent company, Visa, Inc. (Visa), for potential future settlement of, or judgments resulting from, certain litigation, which Visa refers to as the covered litigation. Pinnacle National's indemnification obligation is limited to its membership proportion of Visa USA. On November 7, 2007, Visa announced the settlement of its American Express litigation, and disclosed in its annual report to the SEC on Form

10-K for the year ended September 30, 2007 that Visa had accrued a contingent liability for the estimated settlement of its Discover litigation. Accordingly, Pinnacle National expensed and recognized a contingent liability in the amount of \$145,000 as an estimate for its membership proportion of the American Express settlement and the potential Discover settlement, as well as its membership proportion of the amount that Pinnacle National estimates will be required for Visa to settle the remaining covered litigation. During the fourth quarter of 2008, Pinnacle National expensed and recognized an additional \$28,000 contingent liability for the revised estimated settlement of Visa's Discover litigation. There have been no material changes to the contingent liability as of September 30, 2009.

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Visa completed an initial public offering (IPO) in March 2008. Visa used a portion of the proceeds from the IPO to establish a \$3.0 billion escrow for settlement of covered litigation and used substantially all of the remaining portion to redeem class B and class C shares held by Visa issuing members. During the three months ended March 31, 2008, Pinnacle Financial recognized a pre-tax gain of \$140,000 on redemption proceeds received from Visa, Inc. and reversed \$63,000 of the \$145,000 litigation expense recognized as its pro-rata share of the \$3.0 billion escrow funded by Visa, Inc. The timing for ultimate settlement of all covered litigation is not determinable at this time.

Note 7. Stock Options, Stock Appreciation Rights and Restricted Shares

Pinnacle Financial has two equity incentive plans. Additionally, Pinnacle Financial has acquired equity plans in connection with acquisitions of Cavalry Bancorp, Inc. (Cavalry) and Mid-America Bancshares, Inc. (Mid-America) under which it has granted stock options and stock appreciation rights to its employees to purchase common stock at or above the fair market value on the date of grant and granted restricted share awards to employees and directors. At September 30, 2009, there were 1,005,721 shares available for issue under these plans.

During the first quarter of 2006 and in connection with its merger with Cavalry, Pinnacle Financial assumed a third equity incentive plan, the 1999 Cavalry Bancorp, Inc. Stock Option Plan (the Cavalry Plan). All options granted under the Cavalry Plan were fully vested prior to Pinnacle Financial s merger with Cavalry and expire at various dates between January 2011 and June 2012. In connection with the merger, all options to acquire Cavalry common stock were converted to options to acquire Pinnacle Financial s common stock at the 0.95 exchange ratio. The exercise price of the outstanding options under the Cavalry Plan was adjusted using the same exchange ratio. All other terms of the Cavalry options were unchanged. At September 30, 2009, there were 71,590 Pinnacle Financial shares remaining to be acquired by the participants in the Cavalry Plan at exercise prices that ranged between \$10.26 per share and \$13.68 per share.

On November 30, 2007 and in connection with its merger with Mid-America, Pinnacle Financial assumed several equity incentive plans, including the Mid-America Bancshares, Inc. 2006 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan (the Mid-America Plans). All options and stock appreciation rights granted under the Mid-America Plans were fully vested prior to Pinnacle Financial s merger with Mid-America and expire at various dates between June 2011 and July 2017. In connection with the merger, all options and stock appreciation rights to acquire Mid-America common stock were converted to options or stock appreciation rights, as applicable, to acquire Pinnacle Financial common stock at the 0.4655 exchange ratio. The exercise price of the outstanding options and stock appreciation rights under the Mid-America Plans was adjusted using the same exchange ratio with the exercise price also being reduced by \$1.50 per share. All other terms of the Mid-America options and stock appreciation rights were unchanged. There were 487,834 Pinnacle Financial shares which could be acquired by the participants in the Mid-America Plans at exercise prices that ranged between \$6.63 per share and \$21.37 per share. At September 30, 2009, there were 75,132 shares available for issue under the Mid-America Plans, which shares may only be issued to Pinnacle associates that were Mid-America associates prior to the merger.

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Common Stock Options and Stock Appreciation Rights

As of September 30, 2009, there were 2,149,000 stock options and 10,000 stock appreciation rights outstanding to purchase common shares. A summary of the activity within the equity incentive plans during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and information regarding expected vesting, contractual terms remaining, intrinsic values and other matters was as follows:

	Number	Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Contractual Remaining Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (1) (000 s)
Outstanding at December 31, 2008	2,232,100	\$ 17.41	5.99	\$ 28,310
Granted				
Exercised (2)	(59,319)	9.87		
Forfeited	(13,861)	27.84		
Outstanding at September 30, 2009	2,158,920	\$ 17.53	5.49	\$ 5,304
Outstanding and expected to vest as of September 30, 2009	2,128,069	\$ 17.36	5.47	\$ 5,304
Options exercisable at September 30, 2009 (3)	1,643,182	\$ 14.36	4.84	\$ 5,304

(1) The aggregate intrinsic value is calculated as the difference between the exercise price of the underlying awards and the quoted closing price of Pinnacle Financial common stock of \$12.71 per common share for the approximately 856,000 options

and stock appreciation rights that were in-the-money at September 30, 2009.

(2) There were no stock appreciation rights exercised during the nine months ended September 30, 2009.

(3) In addition to these outstanding options, there were 345,000 warrants issued to founders of Pinnacle Financial that were outstanding at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008. Additionally, there were 267,455 and 534,910 warrants outstanding at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 that were issued in conjunction with the CPP. These warrants, if exercised, will result in the issuance of common shares.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, approximately 214,000 option awards vested at an average exercise price of \$22.00 and an intrinsic value of approximately \$2.2 million.

As of September 30, 2009, there was approximately \$3.9 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested stock options granted under our equity incentive plans. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.0 years.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, Pinnacle Financial recorded stock option compensation expense of \$1,362,000 and \$1,446,000, respectively, using the Black-Scholes valuation model for awards granted prior to, but not yet vested, as of January 1, 2006 and for awards granted after January 1, 2006. For these awards, Pinnacle Financial has recognized compensation expense using a straight-line amortization method. Stock-based compensation expense has been reduced for estimated forfeitures.

There were no options granted in the nine month period ended September 30, 2009. The fair value of options granted for the nine month period ended September 30, 2008 was estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and the following assumptions:

	2008
Risk free interest rate	3.20%
Expected life of options	6.5 years
Expected dividend yield	0.00%
Expected volatility	28.5%
Weighted average fair value	\$ 7.76

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Pinnacle Financial's computation of expected volatility is based on weekly historical volatility since September 2002. Pinnacle Financial used the simplified method in determining the estimated life of stock option issuances. The risk free interest rate of the award is based on the closing market bid for U.S. Treasury securities corresponding to the expected life of the stock option issuances in effect at the time of grant.

Restricted Shares

Additionally, Pinnacle Financial's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan and the Mid-America Plans provide for the granting of restricted share awards and other performance or market-based awards. There were no market-based awards outstanding as of September 30, 2009 under either of these plans. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, Pinnacle Financial awarded 300,873 shares of restricted common stock to certain Pinnacle Financial associates and outside directors.

A summary of activity for unvested restricted share awards for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 is as follows:

	Number		Grant Date Weighted- Average Cost
Unvested at December 31, 2008	231,881	\$	24.76
Shares awarded	300,873		19.31
Restrictions lapsed and shares released to associates/directors	(34,123)		23.99
Shares forfeited	(20,579)		29.89
Unvested at September 30, 2009	478,052	\$	21.25

Status of 2009 Restricted Share Awards: There were 300,873 restricted share awards granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The following discusses the current status of these awards:

The forfeiture restrictions on 30,878 restricted share awards granted to executive management personnel in 2009 lapse in three equal installments should Pinnacle Financial achieve certain earnings and soundness targets over each year of the subsequent three-year period (or, alternatively, the cumulative three-year period).

The forfeiture restrictions on another 92,669 restricted share awards granted to executive management personnel lapse in equal installments on the anniversary date of the grant over a 10 year period or until the associate is 65 years of age, whichever is earlier so long as Pinnacle Financial is profitable for that year.

The forfeiture restrictions on 163,214 restricted share awards lapse in five equal installments on the anniversary date of the grant.

During the first quarter of 2009, 14,112 restricted share awards were issued to the outside members of the board of directors in accordance with their board compensation plan. Restrictions lapse on the one year anniversary date of the award based on each individual board member meeting their attendance goals for the various board and board committee meetings to which each member was scheduled to attend. Each non-employee board member received an award of 1,008 shares.

Compensation expense associated with the performance based restricted share awards is recognized over the time period that the restrictions associated with the awards are anticipated to lapse based on a graded vesting schedule such that each tranche is amortized separately. Compensation expense associated with the time based restricted share awards is recognized over the time period that the restrictions associated with the awards lapse based on the total cost of the award. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, Pinnacle Financial recognized approximately \$1,010,000 and \$260,000, respectively, in compensation costs attributable to all restricted share awards issued prior to September 30, 2009 and September 30, 2008.

Note 8. Regulatory Matters

Pinnacle National is subject to restrictions on the payment of dividends to Pinnacle Financial under federal banking laws and the regulations of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. Pinnacle Financial is also subject to limits on payment of dividends to its shareholders by the rules, regulations and policies of federal banking authorities and by its participation in the CPP. Pinnacle Financial has not paid any cash dividends since inception, and it does not anticipate that it will consider paying dividends until Pinnacle Financial generates sufficient capital through net income from operations to support both anticipated asset growth and dividend payments. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, Pinnacle National paid dividend payments of \$3.5 million to Pinnacle Financial to fund Pinnacle Financial's interest payments due on its subordinated indebtedness and an additional \$3.6 million to Pinnacle Financial to fund Pinnacle Financial's preferred stock dividend payable on the shares issued to the U.S. Treasury in the CPP. At September 30, 2009, pursuant to federal banking regulations, Pinnacle National had approximately \$16.8 million of net retained profits from the previous two years available for future dividend payments to Pinnacle Financial.

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During the second quarter of 2009, Pinnacle Financial sought permission from its primary federal regulators to redeem the preferred shares it sold to the U.S. Treasury through the CPP. During the third quarter of 2009 and after consideration of various factors, Pinnacle Financial withdrew its application to redeem the preferred shares it sold the U.S. Treasury through the CPP.

Pinnacle Financial and its banking subsidiary are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory, and possibly additional discretionary actions, by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, Pinnacle Financial and its banking subsidiary must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of the assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance-sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. Pinnacle Financial's and its banking subsidiary capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors.

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require Pinnacle Financial and Pinnacle National to maintain minimum amounts and ratios of Total and Tier I capital to risk-weighted assets and of Tier I capital to average assets. Management believes, as of September 30, 2009, that Pinnacle Financial and Pinnacle National met all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject. To be categorized as well-capitalized, Pinnacle National must maintain minimum Total risk-based, Tier I risk-based, and Tier I leverage ratios as set forth in the following table. Pinnacle Financial's and Pinnacle National's actual capital amounts and ratios are presented in the following table (dollars in thousands):

	Actual		Minimum Capital Requirement		Minimum To Be Well-Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
<i>At September 30, 2009</i>						
Total capital to risk weighted assets:						
Pinnacle Financial	\$ 588,640	14.71%	\$ 322,658	8.0%	not applicable	
Pinnacle National	\$ 487,238	12.18%	\$ 322,642	8.0%	\$ 403,303	10.0%
Tier I capital to risk weighted assets:						
Pinnacle Financial	\$ 523,225	13.08%	\$ 161,329	4.0%	not applicable	
Pinnacle National	\$ 421,825	10.55%	\$ 161,321	4.0%	\$ 241,982	6.0%
Tier I capital to average assets						
(*):						
Pinnacle Financial	\$ 523,225	10.93%	\$ 191,043	4.0%	not applicable	
Pinnacle National	\$ 421,825	8.84%	\$ 190,843	4.0%	\$ 238,554	5.0%

(*) Average assets for the above calculations

were based on
the most recent
quarter.

Note 9. Derivative Instruments

Financial derivatives are reported at fair value in other assets or other liabilities. The accounting for changes in the fair value of a derivative depends on whether it has been designated and qualifies as part of a hedging relationship. For derivatives not designated as hedges, the gain or loss is recognized in current earnings. Pinnacle Financial enters into interest rate swaps (swaps) to facilitate customer transactions and meet their financing needs. Upon entering into these instruments to meet customer needs, Pinnacle Financial enters into offsetting positions in order to minimize the risk to Pinnacle Financial. These swaps are derivatives, but are not designated as hedging instruments.

Interest rate swap contracts involve the risk of dealing with counterparties and their ability to meet contractual terms. When the fair value of a derivative instrument contract is positive, this generally indicates that the counter party or customer owes Pinnacle Financial, and results in credit risk to Pinnacle Financial. When the fair value of a derivative instrument contract is negative, Pinnacle Financial owes the customer or counterparty and therefore, has no credit risk.

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A summary of Pinnacle Financial's interest rate swaps as of September 30, 2009 is included in the following table (in thousands):

	September 30, 2009	
	Notional Amount	Estimated Fair Value
Interest rate swap agreements:		
Pay fixed / receive variable swaps	\$ 248,291	\$ 13,193
Pay variable / receive fixed swaps	248,291	(13,376)
Total	\$ 496,582	\$ (183)

Note 10. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

In September 2006, the FASB issued ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures. FASB ASC 820, which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. FASB ASC 820 applies only to fair-value measurements that are already required or permitted by other accounting standards and is expected to increase the consistency of those measurements. The definition of fair value focuses on the exit price, i.e., the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, not the entry price, i.e., the price that would be paid to acquire the asset or received to assume the liability at the measurement date. The statement emphasizes that fair value is a market-based measurement; not an entity-specific measurement. Therefore, the fair value measurement should be determined based on the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

Valuation Hierarchy

FASB ASC 820 establishes a three-level valuation hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements. The valuation hierarchy is based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. The three levels are defined as follows:

Level 1 inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2 inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

Level 3 inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

A financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets and liabilities measured at fair value, as well as the general classification of such assets and liabilities pursuant to the valuation hierarchy.

Assets

Securities available for sale Where quoted prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy. Level 1 securities include highly liquid government securities and certain other products. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated by using pricing models, quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics, or discounted cash flows and are classified within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy. In certain cases where there is limited activity or less transparency around inputs to the valuation, securities are classified within Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy.

Impaired loans A loan is considered to be impaired when it is probable Pinnacle Financial will be unable to collect all principal and interest payments due in accordance with the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Impaired loans are measured based on the present value of expected payments using the loan's original effective rate as the discount rate, the loan's observable market price, or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. If the recorded investment in the impaired loan exceeds the measure of fair value, a valuation allowance may be established as a component of the allowance for loan losses or the expense is recognized as a charge-off. Impaired loans are classified within Level 3 of the hierarchy.

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Other investments Included in other investments are investments in certain nonpublic private equity funds. The valuation of nonpublic private equity investments requires significant management judgment due to the absence of quoted market prices, inherent lack of liquidity and the long-term nature of such assets. These investments are valued initially based upon transaction price. The carrying values of other investments are adjusted either upwards or downwards from the transaction price to reflect expected exit values as evidenced by financing and sale transactions with third parties, or when determination of a valuation adjustment is confirmed through ongoing reviews by senior investment managers. A variety of factors are reviewed and monitored to assess positive and negative changes in valuation including, but not limited to, current operating performance and future expectations of the particular investment, industry valuations of comparable public companies, changes in market outlook and the third-party financing environment over time. In determining valuation adjustments resulting from the investment review process, emphasis is placed on current company performance and market conditions. These investments are included in Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy.

Other real estate Other real estate, consisting of properties obtained through foreclosure or in satisfaction of loans, is initially recorded at fair value, determined on the basis of current appraisals, comparable sales, and other estimates of value obtained principally from independent sources, adjusted for estimated selling costs. At the time of foreclosure, any excess of the loan balance over the fair value of the real estate held as collateral is treated as a charge against the allowance for loan losses. Gains or losses on sale and any subsequent adjustments to the fair value are recorded as a component of foreclosed real estate expense. Other real estate is included in Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy.

Other assets Included in other assets are certain assets carried at fair value, including the cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance policies and interest rate swap agreements. The carrying amount of the cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance is based on information received from the insurance carriers indicating the financial performance of the policies and the amount Pinnacle Financial would receive should the policies be surrendered. Pinnacle Financial reflects these assets within Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy. The carrying amount of interest rate swap agreements is based on information obtained from a third party bank. Pinnacle Financial reflects these assets within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy.

Liabilities

Other liabilities Pinnacle Financial has certain liabilities carried at fair value including certain interest rate swap agreements. The fair value of these liabilities is based on information obtained from a third party bank and is reflected within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy.

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The following tables present the financial instruments carried at fair value as of September 30, 2009, by caption on the consolidated balance sheets and by FASB ASC 820 valuation hierarchy (as described above) (dollars in thousands):

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2009

	Total carrying value in the consolidated balance sheet	Quoted market prices in an active market (Level 1)	Models with significant observable market parameters (Level 2)	Models with significant unobservable market parameters (Level 3)
Investment securities available for sale:				
U.S. Treasury securities	\$	\$	\$	\$
U.S. government agency securities	228,454		228,454	
Mortgage-backed securities	505,041		505,041	
State and municipal securities	181,884		181,844	
Corporate notes and other	10,510		10,510	
Total investment securities available for sale	925,889		925,889	
Other investments	1,798			1,798
Other assets	60,639		13,193	47,446
Total assets at fair value	\$ 988,326	\$	\$ 939,082	\$ 49,244
Other liabilities	\$ 13,376	\$	\$ 13,376	\$
Total liabilities at fair value	\$ 13,376	\$	\$ 13,376	\$

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis as of September 30, 2009

	Total carrying value in the consolidated balance sheet	Quoted market prices in an active market (Level 1)	Models with significant observable market parameters (Level 2)	Models with significant unobservable market parameters (Level 3)
Other real estate	\$ 22,768	\$	\$	\$ 22,768
Impaired loans, net (1)	109,284			109,284

Total	\$	132,052	\$	\$	\$	132,052
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(1) Amount is net of a valuation allowance of \$12.4 million as required by FASB ASC 310-10, *Receivables*.

Changes in level 3 fair value measurements

The table below includes a rollforward of the balance sheet amounts for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 (including the change in fair value) for financial instruments classified by Pinnacle Financial within Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis. When a determination is made to classify a financial instrument within Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy, the determination is based upon the significance of the unobservable factors to the overall fair value measurement. However, since Level 3 financial instruments typically include, in addition to the unobservable or Level 3 components, observable components (that is, components that are actively quoted and can be validated to external sources), the gains and losses in the table below include changes in fair value due in part to observable factors that are part of the valuation methodology.

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	Other Assets	Other Liabilities
Nine months ended September 30, 2009 (in thousands)		
Fair value, January 1, 2009	\$ 48,974	\$
Total realized gains (losses) included in income	171	
Change in unrealized gains (losses) included in other comprehensive income for assets and liabilities still held at September 30, 2009		
Purchases, issuances and settlements, net	377	
Transfers in and/or (out) of Level 3	(278)	
Fair value, September 30, 2009	\$ 49,244	\$
Total realized gains (losses) included in income related to financial assets and liabilities still on the consolidated balance sheet at September 30, 2009	\$ 171	\$

The following methods and assumptions were used by Pinnacle Financial in estimating its fair value disclosures for financial instruments that are not measured at fair value. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using discounted cash flow models. Those models are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rates and estimates of future cash flows. In that regard, the derived fair value estimates cannot be substantiated by comparison to independent markets and, in many cases, could not be realized in immediate settlement of the instrument. The use of different methodologies may have a material effect on the estimated fair value amounts. The fair value estimates presented herein are based on pertinent information available to management as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008. Such amounts have not been revalued for purposes of these consolidated financial statements since those dates and, therefore, current estimates of fair value may differ significantly from the amounts presented herein.

Cash, Due From Banks and Federal Funds Sold The carrying amounts of cash, due from banks, and federal funds sold approximate their fair value.

Securities held to maturity Estimated fair values for securities held to maturity are based on quoted market prices where available. If quoted market prices are not available, estimated fair values are based on quoted market prices of comparable instruments.

Loans For variable-rate loans that reprice frequently and have no significant change in credit risk, fair values approximate carrying values. For other loans, fair values are estimated using discounted cash flow models, using current market interest rates offered for loans with similar terms to borrowers of similar credit quality. Fair values for impaired loans are estimated using discounted cash flow models or based on the fair value of the underlying collateral.

Mortgage loans held-for-sale Mortgage loans held-for-sale are carried at the lower of cost or fair value and are classified within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy. The inputs for valuation of these assets are based on the anticipated sales price of these loans as the loans are usually sold within a few weeks of their origination.

Deposits, Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase, Federal Home Loan Bank Advances and Other Borrowings and Subordinated Debt The carrying amounts of demand deposits, savings deposits, securities sold under agreements to repurchase, floating rate advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank and floating rate subordinated debt approximate their fair values. Fair values for certificates of deposit, fixed rate advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank and fixed rate subordinated debt are estimated using discounted cash flow models, using current market interest rates offered on certificates, advances and other borrowings with similar remaining maturities. For fixed rate subordinated debt, the maturity is assumed to be as of the earliest date that the indebtedness will be repriced.

Federal Funds Purchased The carrying amounts of federal funds purchased approximate their fair value.

Off-Balance Sheet Instruments The fair values of Pinnacle Financial's off-balance-sheet financial instruments are based on fees charged to enter into similar agreements. However, commitments to extend credit do not represent a significant value to Pinnacle Financial until such commitments are funded. Pinnacle Financial has determined that the fair value of commitments to extend credit is not significant.

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The carrying amounts and estimated fair values of Pinnacle Financial's financial instruments at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 were as follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2009		December 31, 2008	
	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value
<i>Financial assets:</i>				
Cash, due from banks, and Federal funds sold	\$ 121,023	\$ 121,023	\$ 90,253	\$ 90,253
Securities available-for-sale	925,889	925,889	839,229	839,229
Securities held-to-maturity	6,551	6,767	10,551	10,643
Mortgage loans held-for-sale	15,335	15,335	25,477	25,477
Loans, net	3,524,905	3,554,018	3,318,423	3,338,609
Derivative assets	13,193	13,193	16,309	16,309
<i>Financial liabilities:</i>				
Deposits and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	\$ 4,035,583	\$ 4,053,212	\$ 3,717,544	\$ 3,727,094
Federal Home Loan Bank advances and other borrowings	222,986	228,346	201,966	205,297
Federal Funds Purchased			71,643	71,643
Subordinated debt	97,476	99,169	97,476	104,268
Derivative liabilities	13,376	13,376	16,431	16,431
	Notional Amount		Notional Amount	
<i>Off-balance sheet instruments:</i>				
Commitments to extend credit	\$ 935,147	\$	\$ 1,010,353	\$
Standby letters of credit	92,427	312	85,975	325

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The following is a discussion of our financial condition at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 and our results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008. The purpose of this discussion is to focus on information about our financial condition and results of operations which is not otherwise apparent from the consolidated financial statements. The following discussion and analysis should be read along with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere herein.

Overview

General. Our continued organic growth, together with continuing deterioration in the economy in our principal markets, particularly the residential real estate market, materially impacted our financial condition and results of operations in 2009 as compared to 2008. Our fully diluted net loss per share for the three months ended September 30, 2009 was \$0.15, compared to fully diluted net income per share of \$0.36 for the same period in 2008. Our fully diluted net loss per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 was \$1.39, compared to fully diluted net income per share of \$0.96 for the same period in 2008. At September 30, 2009, loans totaled \$3.608 billion, as compared to \$3.355 billion at December 31, 2008, while total deposits increased to \$3.820 billion at September 30, 2009 from \$3.533 billion at December 31, 2008.

Results of Operations. Our net interest income increased to \$34.5 million for the third quarter of 2009 compared to \$29.3 million for the third quarter of 2008. Our net interest income increased to \$93.8 million for the first nine months of 2009 compared to \$84.3 million for the same period in 2008. The net interest margin (the ratio of net interest income to average earning assets) for the three months ended September 30, 2009 was 3.05% compared to 3.14% for the same period in 2008. The net interest margin for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 was 2.84% compared to 3.24% for the same period in 2008.

Our provision for loan losses was \$22.1 million for the third quarter of 2009 compared to \$3.1 million for the same period in 2008. The provision for loan losses was \$101.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to \$7.5 million for the same period in 2008. Impacting the provision for loan losses in any accounting period are several matters including the amount of loan growth during the period, the level of charge-offs or recoveries incurred during the period, the changes in the amount of impaired loans, changes in the risk ratings assigned to our loans and the results of our quarterly assessment of the inherent risks of our loan portfolio. During the third quarter of 2009, we incurred net charge-offs of \$5.2 million compared to \$73,000 in the third quarter of 2008. Additionally, during the first nine months of 2009, we increased our allowance for loan losses as a percentage of total loans from 1.09% at December 31, 2008 to 2.30% at September 30, 2009 due to these increased levels of charge-offs and nonperforming loans and the continued weakening in the economy.

Noninterest income for the three months ended September 30, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008 decreased by \$1.5 million, or 16.4%. Noninterest income for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008 increased by \$4.8 million, or 18.0%. This increase was primarily due to our recording net gains on the sale of investment securities, as a result of restructuring of the bond portfolio, of approximately \$6.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. Excluding gains on the sale of investment securities, Pinnacle's noninterest income for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008 decreased by 6.2%. The decrease is largely attributable to reduced service charge income and investment services income.

A number of factors contributed to increased noninterest expense for the first nine months of 2009 compared to 2008 including: increases in salaries and employee benefits, increased FDIC insurance assessments, increased costs associated with the disposal and maintenance of other real estate owned, and other operating expenses. The number of full-time equivalent employees increased from 723.0 at September 30, 2008 to 768.0 at September 30, 2009. As a result, we experienced increases in compensation and employee benefit expense. We expect to add additional employees throughout 2009 which should also cause our compensation and employee benefit expense to increase in 2009. Additionally, our branch expansion efforts during the last few years, including ongoing construction of four branch offices, and the addition of the new associates in 2009 will also increase noninterest expense. We also expensed \$2.3 million in the second quarter of 2009 related to a special one-time FDIC assessment. Our efficiency ratio (the ratio of noninterest expense to the sum of net interest income and noninterest income) was 64.52% for the

third quarter of 2009 compared to 60.53% for the same period in 2008. Our efficiency ratio was 66.38% for the first nine months of 2009 compared with 64.80% for the same period in 2008.

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Due to the continued operating losses of the company, the effective tax benefit rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 was approximately 53.0% and 44.0% respectively, compared to an effective income tax expense rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 of approximately 27.2% and 27.8%. We anticipate that for the year ending December 31, 2009 that our effective tax benefit rate will approximate 45%. Under FASB ASC 740-270, *Accounting for Income Taxes in Interim Periods* companies should not apply the estimated full year tax rate to interim results if the expected annual effective tax benefit rate exceeds the tax benefit rate based on interim items only. FASB ASC 740-270 requires that the tax benefit recognized be limited to the benefit calculated on interim items only. As such, we recorded a tax benefit through the second quarter based on the actual year-to-date results, in accordance with FASB ASC 740-270.

Net loss available to common stockholders for the third quarter of 2009 was \$4.9 million compared to net income available to common stockholders of \$8.8 million for the same period in 2008, a decrease of 155.2%. Net loss for the first nine months of 2009 was \$37.5 million compared to net income available to common stockholders of \$22.8 million for the same period in 2008, a decrease of 264.1%. Included in net loss available to common stockholders for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 was approximately \$1.5 million and \$4.4 million of charges related to preferred stock dividends and accretion of the preferred stock discount related to our participation in the U.S. Department of Treasury's Capital Purchase Program (the CPP).

Financial Condition. Loans increased \$253.0 million during the first nine months of 2009. We have grown our total deposits to \$3.820 billion at September 30, 2009 compared to \$3.533 billion at December 31, 2008, an increase of \$286.7 million. In comparing the composition of the average balances of our deposits between the second quarter of 2009 with the second quarter of 2008, we have experienced increased growth in our higher cost certificate of deposit balances than in any other category. This increase in reliance on higher cost deposits has contributed to a reduced net interest margin between the two periods.

Capital and Liquidity. At September 30, 2009, our capital ratios, including our bank's capital ratios, exceeded regulatory minimum capital requirements. Additionally, at September 30, 2009, our bank would be considered to be well-capitalized pursuant to banking regulations. Our bank may require additional capital from us over that which can be earned through operations. We anticipate that we will continue to use various capital raising techniques in order to support the capital needs of our bank.

During the third quarter of 2008, we sold 1.0 million shares of our common stock for \$21.5 million. During the fourth quarter of 2008, we further increased our capital through our participation in the CPP, issuing 95,000 shares of preferred stock for \$95 million. Additionally, we issued 534,910 common stock warrants to the U.S. Treasury. The warrants have an exercise price of \$26.64 each, are immediately exercisable and expire 10 years from the date of issuance. The common stock warrants have been assigned a fair value of \$6.7 million, as of December 12, 2008 and that amount has been recorded as the discount on the preferred stock which will be accreted as a reduction in net income available to common stockholders over the next five years at approximately \$1.1 million to \$1.3 million per year. The resulting \$88.3 million has been assigned to the Series A preferred stock issued in the CPP and will be accreted up to the redemption amount of \$95 million over the next five years, a further increase of capital.

On June 16, 2009, we issued 8,855,000 shares through a public offering of our common stock resulting in net proceeds to us of approximately \$109.0 million. As a result, and pursuant to the terms of the warrants issued to the U.S. Treasury in connection with our participant in the CPP, the number of shares issuable upon exercise of the warrants issued to the U.S. Treasury in connection with the CPP was reduced by 50%, or 267,455 shares.

Critical Accounting Estimates

The accounting principles we follow and our methods of applying these principles conform with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and with general practices within the banking industry. In connection with the application of those principles, we have made judgments and estimates which, in the case of the determination of our allowance for loan losses and the assessment of impairment of the intangibles resulting from our mergers with Mid-America Bancshares, Inc. (Mid-America) in 2007 and Cavalry Bancorp, Inc. (Cavalry) in 2006 have been critical to the determination of our financial position and results of operations.

Allowance for Loan Losses (allowance). Our management assesses the adequacy of the allowance prior to the end of each calendar quarter. This assessment includes procedures to estimate the allowance and test the adequacy and

appropriateness of the resulting balance. The level of the allowance is based upon management's evaluation of the loan portfolios, past loan loss experience, current asset quality trends, known and inherent risks in the portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay (including the timing of future payment), the estimated value of any underlying collateral, composition of the loan portfolio, economic conditions, industry and peer bank loan quality indications and other pertinent factors, including regulatory recommendations. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires material estimates including the amounts and timing of future cash flows expected to be received on impaired loans that may be susceptible to significant change. Loan losses are charged off when management believes that the full collectability of the loan is unlikely. A loan may be partially charged-off after a confirming event has occurred which serves to validate that full repayment pursuant to the terms of the loan is unlikely. Allocation of the allowance may be made for specific loans, but the entire allowance is available for any loan that, in management's judgment, is deemed to be uncollectible.

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Larger balance commercial and commercial real estate loans are impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that we will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Collection of all amounts due according to the contractual terms means that both the interest and principal payments of a loan will be collected as scheduled in the loan agreement.

An impairment allowance is recognized if the fair value of the loan is less than the recorded investment in the loan (recorded investment in the loan is the principal balance plus any accrued interest, net of deferred loan fees or costs and unamortized premium or discount). The impairment is recognized through the allowance. Loans that are impaired are recorded at the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, or if the loan is collateral dependent, impairment measurement is based on the fair value of the collateral, less estimated disposal costs. Management believes it follows appropriate accounting and regulatory guidance in determining impairment and accrual status of impaired loans.

The level of allowance maintained is believed by management to be adequate to absorb probable losses inherent in the portfolio at the balance sheet date. The allowance is increased by provisions charged to expense and decreased by charge-offs, net of recoveries of amounts previously charged-off.

In assessing the adequacy of the allowance, we also consider the results of our ongoing independent loan review process. We undertake this process both to ascertain whether there are loans in the portfolio whose credit quality has weakened over time and to assist in our overall evaluation of the risk characteristics of the entire loan portfolio. Our loan review process includes the judgment of management, the input from our independent loan reviewers, and reviews that may have been conducted by bank regulatory agencies as part of their usual examination process. We incorporate loan review results in the determination of whether or not it is probable that we will be able to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of a loan.

As part of management's quarterly assessment of the allowance, management divides the loan portfolio into four segments: commercial, commercial real estate, consumer and consumer real estate. Each segment is then analyzed such that an allocation of the allowance is estimated for each loan segment.

The allowance allocation for commercial and commercial real estate loans begins with a process of estimating the probable losses inherent for these types of loans. The estimates for these loans are established by category and based on our internal system of credit risk ratings and historical loss data. The estimated loan loss allocation rate for our internal system of credit risk grades for commercial and commercial real estate loans is based on management's experience with similarly graded loans, discussions with banking regulators and industry loss factors. Beginning in 2008, we also performed a migration analysis of all loans that were charged-off during the previous two years. A migration analysis assists in evaluating loan loss allocation rates for the various risk grades assigned to loans in our portfolio. We incorporated the migration analysis along with other factors to determine the loss allocation rates for the commercial and commercial real estate portfolios. Subsequently, we weighted the allocation methodologies for the commercial and commercial real estate portfolios and determined a weighted average allocation for these portfolios. The allowance allocation for consumer and consumer real estate loans which includes installment, home equity, consumer mortgages, automobiles and others is established for each of the categories by estimating probable losses inherent in that particular category of consumer and consumer real estate loans. The estimated loan loss allocation rate for each category is based on management's experience, discussions with banking regulators, consideration of our actual loss rates, industry loss rates and loss rates of various peer bank groups. Consumer and consumer real estate loans are evaluated as a group by category (i.e. retail real estate, installment, etc.) rather than on an individual loan basis because these loans are smaller and homogeneous. We weight the allocation methodologies for the consumer and consumer real estate portfolios and determine a weighted average allocation for these portfolios.

The estimated loan loss allocation for all four loan portfolio segments is then adjusted for management's estimate of probable losses for several environmental factors. The allocation for environmental factors is particularly subjective and does not lend itself to exact mathematical calculation. This amount represents estimated probable inherent credit losses which exist, but have not yet been identified, as of the balance sheet date, and are based upon quarterly trend assessments in delinquent and nonaccrual loans, unanticipated charge-offs, credit concentration changes, prevailing economic conditions, changes in lending personnel experience, changes in lending policies or procedures and other influencing factors. These environmental factors are considered for each of the four loan segments and the allowance

allocation, as determined by the processes noted above for each component, is increased or decreased based on the incremental assessment of these various environmental factors.

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The assessment also includes an unallocated component. We believe that the unallocated amount is warranted for inherent factors that cannot be practically assigned to individual loan categories. An example is the imprecision in the overall measurement process, in particular the volatility of the national and local economy.

We then test the resulting allowance by comparing the balance in the allowance to historical trends and industry and peer information. Our management then evaluates the result of the procedures performed, including the result of our testing, and concludes on the appropriateness of the balance of the allowance in its entirety. The audit committee of our board of directors reviews and approves the assessment prior to the filing of quarterly and annual financial information.

Impairment of Intangible Assets Long-lived assets, including purchased intangible assets subject to amortization, such as our core deposit intangible asset, are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its estimated future cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized by the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the fair value of the asset. Assets to be disposed of would be separately presented in the balance sheet and reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell, and are no longer depreciated.

Goodwill and intangible assets that have indefinite useful lives are evaluated for impairment annually and are evaluated for impairment more frequently if events and circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. That annual assessment date is September 30. An impairment loss is recognized to the extent that the carrying amount exceeds the asset's fair value. The goodwill impairment analysis is a two-step test. The first step, used to identify potential impairment, involves comparing each reporting unit's estimated fair value to its carrying value, including goodwill. If the estimated fair value of a reporting unit exceeds its carrying value, goodwill is considered not to be impaired. If the carrying value exceeds estimated fair value, there is an indication of potential impairment and the second step is performed to measure the amount of impairment.

If required, the second step involves calculating an implied fair value of goodwill for each reporting unit for which the first step indicated potential impairment. The implied fair value of goodwill is determined in a manner similar to the amount of goodwill calculated in a business combination, by measuring the excess of the estimated fair value of the reporting unit, as determined in the first step, over the aggregate estimated fair values of the individual assets, liabilities and identifiable intangibles as if the reporting unit was being acquired in a business combination. If the implied fair value of goodwill exceeds the carrying value of goodwill assigned to the reporting unit, there is no impairment. If the carrying value of goodwill assigned to a reporting unit exceeds the implied fair value of the goodwill, an impairment charge is recorded for the excess. An impairment loss cannot exceed the carrying value of goodwill assigned to a reporting unit, and the loss establishes a new basis in the goodwill.

Our stock price has historically traded above its book value per common share and tangible book value per common share. At September 30, 2009, our stock price was trading below its book value per common share, but above its tangible book value per common share. We performed our annual evaluation of whether there were indications of potential goodwill impairment as of September 30, 2009. The results of our evaluation determined that there was no indication of potential impairment of goodwill at September 30, 2009. However, should our future earnings and cash flows decline and/or discount rates increase, or should there be a significant decline in our stock price below book value, an impairment charge to goodwill and other intangible assets may be required.

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The following is a summary of our results of operations (dollars in thousands):

	<i>Three months ended</i>		<i>2009-2008</i>	<i>Nine months ended</i>		<i>2009-2008</i>
	<i>September 30,</i>	<i>September 30,</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>September 30,</i>	<i>September 30,</i>	<i>Percent</i>
	<i>2009</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>Increase</i>
			<i>(Decrease)</i>			<i>(Decrease)</i>
Interest income	\$ 52,442	\$ 51,873	1.1%	\$ 151,989	\$ 152,808	-0.5%
Interest expense	17,894	22,591	-20.8%	58,228	68,485	-15.0%
Net interest income	34,548	29,282	18.0%	93,761	84,323	11.2%
Provision for loan losses	22,134	3,125	608.3%	101,064	7,504	1,246.8%
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	12,414	26,157	-52.5%	(7,303)	76,819	-109.5%
Noninterest income	7,737	9,253	-16.4%	31,475	26,679	18.0%
Noninterest expense	27,280	23,327	16.9%	83,130	71,893	15.6%
Net income (loss) before income taxes	(7,129)	12,083	-159.0%	(58,958)	31,605	-286.5%
Income tax expense (benefit)	(3,782)	3,288	-215.0%	(25,925)	8,784	-395.1%
Net income (loss)	(3,347)	8,795	-138.1%	(33,033)	22,821	-244.7%
Preferred dividends and preferred stock discount accretion	1,504			4,421		
Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ (4,851)	\$ 8,795	-155.2%	\$ (37,454)	\$ 22,821	-264.1%
<i>Basic net income (loss) per common share available to common stockholders</i>	<i>\$ (0.15)</i>	<i>\$ 0.38</i>	<i>-139.5%</i>	<i>\$ (1.39)</i>	<i>\$ 1.01</i>	<i>-237.6%</i>
<i>Diluted net income(loss) per common share available to common stockholders</i>	<i>\$ (0.15)</i>	<i>\$ 0.36</i>	<i>-141.7%</i>	<i>\$ (1.39)</i>	<i>\$ 0.96</i>	<i>-244.8%</i>

Net Interest Income. Net interest income represents the amount by which interest earned on various earning assets exceeds interest paid on deposits and other interest bearing liabilities and is one of the most significant components of our results of operations. For the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, we recorded net interest income of \$34.5 million and \$29.3 million respectively, which resulted in a net interest margin of 3.05% and 3.14%. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, we recorded net interest income of \$93.8 million and \$84.3 million respectively, which resulted in a net interest margin of 2.84% and 3.24%.

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The following tables set forth the amount of our average balances, interest income or interest expense for each category of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities and the average interest rate for interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, net interest spread and net interest margin for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 (dollars in thousands):

	<i>Three months ended September 30, 2009</i>			<i>Three months ended September 30, 2008</i>		
	<i>Average Balances</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Rates/ Yields</i>	<i>Average Balances</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Rates/ Yields</i>
<i>Interest-earning assets:</i>						
Loans	\$ 3,583,182	\$ 41,666	4.61%	\$ 3,129,549	\$ 44,075	5.60%
Securities:						
Taxable	749,457	8,608	4.56%	455,945	6,005	5.24%
Tax-exempt (1)	169,171	1,694	5.24%	134,198	1,340	5.24%
Federal funds sold and other	74,663	474	2.76%	45,890	453	4.37%
Total interest-earning assets	4,576,473	\$ 52,442	4.60%	3,765,582	\$ 51,873	5.53%
<i>Nonearning assets</i>						
Intangible assets	259,016			261,584		
Other nonearning assets	193,366			175,426		
Total assets	\$ 5,028,855			\$ 4,202,592		
<i>Interest-bearing liabilities:</i>						
Interest bearing deposits						
Interest checking	\$ 348,300	\$ 508	0.58%	\$ 373,567	\$ 1,109	1.18%
Savings and money market	916,669	2,967	1.28%	706,225	2,856	1.61%
Time	2,018,814	11,625	2.28%	1,689,221	14,814	3.49%
Total interest bearing deposits	3,283,783	15,100	1.82%	2,769,013	18,779	2.70%
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	223,737	363	0.64%	204,101	682	1.33%
Federal Home Loan Bank advances and other borrowings	236,660	1,481	2.48%	215,739	1,845	3.40%
Subordinated debt	97,476	950	3.86%	90,465	1,285	5.65%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	3,841,656	17,894	1.85%	3,279,318	22,591	2.74%
<i>Noninterest-bearing deposits</i>	462,783			409,850		
Total deposits and interest-bearing liabilities	4,304,439	\$ 17,894	1.65%	3,689,168	\$ 22,591	2.44%
Other liabilities	8,572			10,849		
<i>Stockholders equity</i>	715,844			502,575		

Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 5,028,855	\$ 4,202,592	
Net interest income	\$ 34,548	\$ 29,282	
Net interest spread (2)		2.75%	2.79%
Net interest margin (3)		3.05%	3.14%

(1) *Yields computed on tax-exempt instruments on a tax equivalent basis.*

(2) *Yields realized on interest-earning assets less the rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities.*

(3) *Net interest margin is the result of annualized net interest income calculated on a tax-equivalent basis divided by average interest-earning assets for the period.*

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	<i>Nine months ended September 30, 2009</i>			<i>Nine months ended September 30, 2008</i>		
	<i>Average Balances</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Rates/ Yields</i>	<i>Average Balances</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Rates/ Yields</i>
<i>Interest-earning assets:</i>						
Loans	\$ 3,506,243	\$ 119,819	4.57%	\$ 2,944,422	\$ 131,695	5.98%
Securities:						
Taxable	739,480	26,089	4.72%	401,268	15,435	5.14%
Tax-exempt (1)	159,086	4,742	5.26%	135,702	4,030	5.23%
Federal funds sold and other	82,614	1,339	2.35%	48,904	1,648	4.86%
Total interest-earning assets	4,487,423	\$ 151,989	4.58%	3,530,296	\$ 152,808	5.84%
<i>Nonearning assets</i>						
Intangible assets	259,894			259,869		
Other nonearning assets	219,859			173,219		
Total assets	\$ 4,967,176			\$ 3,963,384		
<i>Interest-bearing liabilities:</i>						
Interest bearing deposits						
Interest checking	\$ 355,677	\$ 1,405	0.53%	\$ 385,863	\$ 4,577	1.58%
Savings and money market	802,946	7,322	1.22%	715,019	9,676	1.81%
Time	2,106,428	40,527	2.57%	1,509,602	43,331	3.83%
Total interest bearing deposits	3,265,051	49,254	2.02%	2,610,484	57,584	2.95%
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	232,450	1,147	0.66%	182,698	2,081	1.52%
Federal Home Loan Bank advances and other borrowings	254,145	4,657	2.45%	189,438	4,958	3.50%
Subordinated debt	97,476	3,170	4.35%	85,139	3,862	6.06%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	3,849,122	58,228	2.02%	3,067,759	68,485	2.98%
<i>Noninterest-bearing deposits</i>	445,616			392,200		
Total deposits and interest-bearing liabilities	4,294,738	\$ 58,228	1.81%	3,459,959	\$ 68,485	2.64%
Other liabilities	5,436			18,586		
<i>Stockholders equity</i>	667,002			484,839		
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 4,967,176			\$ 3,963,384		
<i>Net interest income</i>		\$ 93,761			\$ 84,323	

Net interest spread (2)	2.56%	2.86%
Net interest margin (3)	2.84%	3.24%

(1) *Yields computed on tax-exempt instruments on a tax equivalent basis.*

(2) *Yields realized on interest-earning assets less the rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities.*

(3) *Net interest margin is the result of annualized net interest income calculated on a tax-equivalent basis divided by average interest-earning assets for the period.*

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As noted above, the net interest margin for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 was 3.05% and 2.84% respectively, compared to a net interest margin of 3.14% and 3.24% for the same periods in 2008. Our net interest margin decreased by 0.09% when comparing the three months ended September 30, 2009 to the three months ended September 30, 2008 and 0.40% when comparing the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to the nine months ended September 30, 2008. Matters related to the changes in net interest income, net interest yields and rates, and net interest margin are presented below:

Our loan yields decreased by 0.99% and 1.41% during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 when compared to the same periods in 2008. A significant amount of our loan portfolio has variable rate pricing with a large portion of these loans tied to our prime lending rate. Our weighted average prime rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 was 3.25%, compared to 5.00% and 5.43%, respectively, for the same periods in 2008 reflecting the reduction of the Federal Funds rate between these periods. Our prime lending rate moves in concert with the Federal Reserve's changes to its Federal funds rate. The reduction in loan rates had a negative impact on our margin when comparing the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 with the same period in 2008.

During the third quarter of 2009, overall deposit rates were less than those rates for the comparable period in 2008 by 0.88%. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, deposit rates decreased 0.93% over the same period in 2008. Changes in interest rates paid on such products as interest checking, savings and money market accounts, securities sold under agreements to repurchase and Federal funds purchased will generally increase or decrease in a manner that is consistent with changes in the short-term rate environment. There was a significant decrease in the short term rate environment during 2009 when compared to 2008. As a result, the rates for those products experienced a large decrease between the two periods. However, competitive deposit pricing pressures in our market limited our ability to reduce our funding costs more aggressively and thus negatively impacted our net interest margin. We routinely monitor the pricing of deposit products by our primary competitors. We believe that our markets are very competitive banking markets with several new market entrants seeking deposit growth. As a result, competitive limitations on our ability to more significantly lower rates paid on our deposit products had a negative impact on our margin during 2009.

During the third quarter of 2009, the balances of noninterest bearing deposit balances, interest bearing transaction accounts, savings and money market accounts and securities sold under agreements to repurchase amounted to 46.6% of our total funding compared to 48.4% during the same period in 2008. The decrease in these products as a percentage of total funding is attributable to the competitiveness within these products among the local banking franchises and the significant growth we have experienced as we have elected to fund lending opportunities through noncore sources. These funding sources generally have lower rates than do other funding sources, such as certificates of deposit and other borrowings. Additionally, noninterest bearing deposits increased to 11.6% of total funding in 2009, compared to 11.3% in 2008. Maintaining our noninterest bearing deposit balances in relation to total funding is critical to maintaining and growing our net interest margin.

Also negatively impacting our net interest margin is the increase in nonperforming assets during the three and nine months ended September, 30, 2009 when compared to the same periods in 2008. Average nonperforming assets were \$86.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to \$23.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008, an increase of 268.5%.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the yield curve was steeper than the same period in 2008 which is advantageous for most banks, including us, as we use a significant amount of short-term funding to fund our balance sheet growth. This short-term funding comes in the form of checking accounts, savings accounts, money market accounts and securities sold under agreements to repurchase. Rates paid on these short-term deposits generally correlate to the Federal funds rate and short term treasury rates. During the fourth quarter of 2008, the Federal

Reserve, in response to increasing economic instability, reduced the targeted Federal funds rate such that the targeted rate at year end 2008 was less than 0.25%. At this time, we do not believe we will be able to further reduce the rates we are paying on our short-term deposits, such as interest checking, savings and money market accounts due to competitive pressures. Conversely, we have been successful in reducing the rates we have been paying on time deposits throughout 2009 contributing to an increase in margins on a linked quarter basis for the first nine months of 2009.

We believe we should be able to increase net interest income through overall growth in earning assets in 2009 compared to previous periods. The additional revenues provided by increased loan volumes should be sufficient to overcome increases in funding costs, and thus we should be able to increase our current net interest income. We also believe our net interest margin should increase during the remainder of 2009 due to several factors related to pricing adjustments for certain loans and deposits. One factor is that we believe the rates we charge our loan customers are beginning to increase as we experience more pricing leverage with our borrowers during this credit cycle which includes not only implementation of more risk-based pricing initiatives but also the implementation of loan rate floors on floating and variable rate loan products. Offsetting the positive impact of any initiative we deploy to enhance our net interest margin will be the ongoing negative impact of increased levels of nonperforming assets during 2009.

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Provision for Loan Losses. The provision for loan losses represents a charge to earnings necessary to establish an allowance for loan losses that, in management's evaluation, should be adequate to provide coverage for the inherent losses on outstanding loans. The provision for loan losses amounted to \$22.1 million and \$3.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 respectively, and \$101.1 million and \$7.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Increases in nonperforming loans, net-charge offs and an overall increase in our allowance for loan losses in relation to loan balances during the third quarter of 2009 were the primary reasons for the increase in the provision expense in 2009 when compared to 2008. These increases were caused primarily by continued deterioration in our construction and development loan portfolio, particularly loans to residential builders and developers. Our construction and development loan portfolio has experienced weakness due to continued decreased real estate sales which has led to falling appraisal values of the collateral which secures our construction and development loan portfolio. Our collateral, for substantially all construction and development loans, is our primary source of repayment and as the value of the collateral deteriorates, ultimate repayment by the borrower becomes increasingly difficult. As a result, we have increased our allowance for loan losses which has led to increased provision expense in 2009 compared to 2008. During the second quarter of 2009, we charged off a loan to a one-bank holding company for \$21.5 million after their subsidiary bank was placed in receivership by their regulators which also contributed to increased provision expense for 2009.

Based upon management's assessment of the loan portfolio, we adjust our allowance for loan losses to an amount deemed appropriate to adequately cover probable losses in the loan portfolio. Based upon our evaluation of the loan portfolio, we believe the allowance for loan losses to be adequate to absorb our estimate of probable losses existing in the loan portfolio at September 30, 2009. While our policies and procedures used to estimate the allowance for loan losses, as well as the resultant provision for loan losses charged to operations, are considered adequate by management and are reviewed from time to time by our regulators, they are necessarily approximate and imprecise. There are factors beyond our control, such as conditions in the local and national economy, a local real estate market or particular industry conditions which may negatively impact, materially, our asset quality and the adequacy of our allowance for loan losses and, thus, the resulting provision for loan losses.

Noninterest Income. Our noninterest income is composed of several components, some of which vary significantly between quarterly and annual periods. Service charges on deposit accounts and other noninterest income generally reflect our growth, while investment services and fees from the origination of mortgage loans and gains on the sale of securities will often reflect market conditions and fluctuate from period to period. The opportunities for recognition of gains on loans and loan participations sold and gains on sales of investment securities may also vary widely from quarter to quarter and year to year. We anticipate that for the remainder of 2009, we should experience modest increases in noninterest income primarily attributable to the hiring of new associates in our various fee-based businesses.

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The following is the makeup of our noninterest income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 (dollars in thousands):

	<i>Three months ended September 30, 2009</i>		<i>2009-2008 Percent Increase (Decrease)</i>	<i>Nine months ended September 30, 2009</i>		<i>2009-2008 Percent Increase (Decrease)</i>
Noninterest income:						
Service charges on deposit accounts	\$ 2,560	\$ 2,778	-7.8%	\$ 7,605	\$ 8,036	-5.4%
Investment services	1,113	1,271	-12.5%	3,044	3,760	-19.0%
Insurance sales commissions	906	959	-5.5%	3,131	2,612	19.9%
Gains on loans sold, net:						
Fees from the origination and sale of mortgage loans, net of sales commissions	893	765	16.7%	4,052	2,289	77.0%
Gains (losses) on loan sales and loan participations, net	7	695	-99.0%	(231)	707	-132.7%
Net gain on sale of investments				6,462		
Net gain on sale of premises	14			23	1,011	-97.7%
Trust fees	586	585	0.2%	1,885	1,621	16.3%
Other noninterest income:						
ATM and other consumer fees	1,144	1,074	6.5%	3,316	3,060	8.4%
Letters of credit fees	79	104	-24.0%	312	236	32.2%
Bank-owned life insurance	144	225	-36.0%	373	895	-58.3%
Swap fees on customer loan transactions, net	38	262	-85.5%	448	763	-41.3%
Visa related gains					203	-100.0%
Other noninterest income	253	535	-52.5%	1,055	1,486	-29.0%
Total noninterest income	\$ 7,737	\$ 9,253	-16.4%	\$ 31,475	\$ 26,679	18.0%

Service charge income for 2009 decreased from that in 2008 due to decreased overdraft protection and insufficient fund charges.

Included in noninterest income are commissions and fees from our financial advisory unit, Pinnacle Asset Management, a division of Pinnacle National. At September 30, 2009, Pinnacle Asset Management was receiving commissions and fees in connection with approximately \$898 million in brokerage assets held with Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. compared to \$848 million at September 30, 2008. We also offer trust services through Pinnacle National's trust division. At September 30, 2009, our trust department was receiving fees on approximately \$607 million in assets compared to \$537 million at September 30, 2008. The business development efforts of our trust department resulted in an increase in assets under management. We also increased the number of trust advisors in the past year. These factors contributed to an increase in trust fees for the first nine months of 2009 compared to the same period in 2008.

Additionally, fees from the origination and sale of mortgage loans also provided for a significant portion of the increase in noninterest income. These mortgage fees are for loans originated in both the middle Tennessee and Knoxville markets that are subsequently sold to third-party investors. All of these loan sales transfer servicing rights to the buyer. Generally, mortgage origination fees increase in lower interest rate environments and decrease in rising interest rate environments. As a result, mortgage origination fees may fluctuate greatly in response to a changing rate

environment. Also impacting mortgage origination fees are the number of mortgage originators we have offering these products. We increased the number of mortgage originators in the past year. These originators are largely commission-based employees. The gross fees from the origination and sale of mortgage loans have been offset by the commission expense associated with these originations.

We also sell certain commercial loan participations to our correspondent banks. Such sales are primarily related to new lending transactions in excess of internal loan limits or industry concentration limits. At September 30, 2009 and pursuant to participation agreements with these correspondents, we had participated approximately \$89.8 million of originated loans to these other banks. These participation agreements have various provisions regarding collateral position, pricing and other matters. Many of these agreements provide that we pay the correspondent less than the loan's contracted interest rate. In those transactions whereby the correspondent is receiving a lesser amount of interest than the amount owed by the customer, we record a net gain along with a corresponding asset representing the present value of our net retained cash flows. The resulting asset is amortized over the term of the loan. Conversely, should a loan be paid prior to maturity, any remaining unamortized asset is charged as a reduction to gains on loan participations sold. At each quarter end, we evaluate the discount rate we are using to measure the present value of these future cash flows and adjust this discount rate to a market based rate. Should the discount rate we are using to measure these cash flows change during the current accounting period, the result of the change is reflected in our statements of operations.

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As a result of these matters, during the three months ended September 30, 2009 we recorded a gain of \$7,000 compared to no gains recognized during the three months ended September 30, 2008. Additionally, Pinnacle Financial recognized a gain of \$695,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2008 related to the sale of four related impaired loans to a group of outside investors. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009 we expensed \$231,000 compared to a \$12,000 gain during the nine months ended September 30, 2008. We intend to maintain relationships with our correspondents in order to sell participations in future loans to these or other correspondents primarily due to limitations on loans to a single borrower or industry concentrations. In general, our acquisitions and our growth have resulted in an increase in capital which has resulted in increased lending limits for such items as loans to a single borrower and loans to a single industry such that our need to participate such loans in the future may be reduced. In any event, the timing of participations may cause the level of gains, if any, to vary significantly. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, we sold approximately \$347 million of our available-for-sale investment securities in order to reposition our bond portfolio for asset liability management purposes. As a result of the sale of these securities, we realized a \$6.9 million gain for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. During the second quarter of 2009, we determined that an available-for-sale corporate security was other than temporarily impaired as the credit worthiness of the security had deteriorated. This security was a bank holding company trust preferred security acquired in the Mid-America merger. During 2009, this bank holding company's subsidiary bank was placed under an administrative order by its regulator. This impairment analysis resulted in a \$400,000 charge during the second quarter of 2009 with this amount offsetting the gains on the sale of investment securities. Included in other noninterest income are miscellaneous consumer fees, such as ATM revenues, merchant card and other electronic banking revenues. We experienced a significant increase in these revenues in 2009 compared to 2008 due primarily to increased volumes from new customers. Additionally, noninterest income from the cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance decreased between the first nine months of 2009 and the first nine months of 2008. The assets that support these policies are administered by the life insurance carriers and the income we receive (i.e., increases or decreases in the cash surrender value of the policies) on these policies is dependent upon the returns the insurance carriers are able to earn on the underlying investments that support the policies. With the national recession, the policy investment returns have underperformed. We anticipate that such underperformance will continue through 2009. Also included in other noninterest income is \$38,000 and \$448,000, respectively, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and \$262,000 and \$763,000, respectively, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 in fees we receive when we originate an interest rate swap transaction for commercial borrowers and a counterparty interest rate swap transaction with a third party provider. This amount will fluctuate significantly based on both borrower demand for this product and the interest rate environment.

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Noninterest Expense. Noninterest expense consists of salaries and employee benefits, equipment and occupancy expenses, and other operating expenses. The following is the makeup of our noninterest expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 (dollars in thousands):

	<i>Three months ended</i>		<i>2009-2008</i>	<i>Nine months ended</i>		<i>2009-2008</i>
	<i>September 30,</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>September 30,</i>		<i>Percent</i>
	<i>2009</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>Increase</i>
			<i>(Decrease)</i>			<i>(Decrease)</i>
<i>Noninterest expense:</i>						
Salaries and employee benefits:						
Salaries	\$ 9,759	\$ 7,143	36.6%	\$ 28,094	\$ 23,365	20.2%
Commissions	649	732	-11.3%	1,861	1,989	-6.4%
Other compensation, primarily incentives	1,081	2,821	-61.7%	3,530	6,952	-49.2%
Employee benefits and other	2,757	2,317	19.0%	8,188	7,076	15.7%
Total salaries and employee benefits	14,246	13,013	9.5%	41,673	39,382	5.8%
Equipment and occupancy	4,446	3,732	19.1%	12,992	11,235	15.6%
Foreclosed real estate expense	1,250	95	1,215.8%	5,864	285	1,957.5%
Marketing and business development	512	381	34.4%	1,418	1,235	14.8%
Postage and supplies	515	762	-32.4%	2,175	2,253	-3.5%
Amortization of intangibles	776	788	-1.5%	2,411	2,312	4.3%
Other noninterest expense:						
Professional fees	553	428	29.2%	1,615	831	94.3%
Legal, including borrower-related charges	329	296	11.1%	1,392	606	129.7%
Directors fees	207	134	54.5%	583	373	56.3%
Insurance, including FDIC assessments	2,588	712	263.5%	7,698	2,215	247.5%
Contributions	133	87	52.9%	516	387	33.3%
Other noninterest expense	1,725	1,734	-0.5%	4,793	5,159	-7.1%
Total other noninterest expense	5,535	3,391	63.3%	16,597	9,571	73.4%
Merger related expense		1,165			5,620	
Total noninterest expense	\$ 27,280	\$ 23,327	16.9%	\$ 83,130	\$ 71,893	15.6%

Expenses have generally increased between the above periods due to personnel additions occurring throughout each period, the continued development of our branch network and other expenses which increase in relation to our growth rate. We anticipate continued increases in our expenses in the future for such items as additional personnel, the opening of additional branches, audit expenses and other expenses which tend to increase in relation to our growth. In addition, in 2009 we have experienced increases in noninterest expense related to increased levels of foreclosed real estate and a special FDIC assessment expensed in the second quarter.

At September 30, 2009, we employed 768.0 full-time equivalent employees compared to 723.0 at September 30, 2008. We intend to continue to add employees to our work force for the foreseeable future, which will cause our salary and employee benefits costs to increase in future periods.

We believe that variable pay incentives are a valuable tool in motivating an employee base that is focused on providing our clients effective financial advice and increasing shareholder value. As a result, and unlike many other financial institutions, all of our non-commissioned employees are eligible to participate in an annual cash incentive plan. Under the plan, the targeted level of incentive payments requires us to achieve a certain soundness threshold and a targeted earnings per share. To the extent that actual earnings per share are above or below targeted earnings per share, the aggregate incentive payments are increased or decreased. Additionally, our Human Resources and Compensation Committee (the Committee) of the Board of Directors has the ability to change the parameters of the variable cash award at any time prior to final distribution of the awards in order to take into account current events and circumstances and maximize the benefit of the awards to our firm and to the associates.

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Due to the losses we incurred during 2009 and the continued weakness in our loan portfolio, we do not expect to pay any variable pay incentives in 2009. Furthermore, so long as the preferred stock is outstanding, we cannot pay cash incentives to our named executive officers, and stock incentives to such executives are limited. Included in the salary and employee benefits amounts for the three months ended September 30, 2008, were \$1.3 million and for the nine months ended September 30, 2008, were \$2.8 million related to variable cash awards. This expense will fluctuate from year to year and quarter to quarter based on the estimation of achievement of performance targets and the increase in the number of associates eligible to receive the award. Based on our internal earnings forecast for 2009, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, we have not accrued any expense for cash incentives. Included in merger related expense for the first quarter of 2008 are incentive payments made to certain executives, including Pinnacle Financial's named executive officers, pursuant to a special incentive plan approved by the Committee for achievement of predetermined targets in association with the Mid-America acquisition.

Additionally, included in compensation expense for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, were approximately \$665,000 and \$691,000 respectively, and for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, were \$2,372,000 and \$1,707,000, respectively, of compensation expense related to stock options and restricted share awards.

Foreclosed real estate expense was \$1.3 million for the third quarter of 2009 compared to \$95,000 for the third quarter of 2008. Foreclosed real estate expense was \$5.9 million for the first nine months of 2009 compared to \$285,000 for the same period in 2008. The increase in foreclosed real estate expense is related to the continued deterioration of local real estate values, particularly with respect to foreclosed properties acquired from builders and residential land developers. Foreclosed real estate expense is composed of three types of charges: maintenance costs, valuation adjustments based on new appraisal values and gains or losses on disposition. At September 30, 2009, we had \$22.8 million in other real estate compared to \$18.3 million at September 30, 2008. We anticipate increased foreclosed real estate charges as we anticipate increased balances of other real estate. Marketing and other business development and postage and supplies expenses are higher in 2009 compared to 2008 due to increases in the number of customers and prospective customers; increases in the number of customer contact personnel and the corresponding increases in customer entertainment; and other business development expenses.

Included in noninterest expense for the third quarter of 2009 and 2008 is \$776,000 and \$788,000 respectively, of amortization of intangibles related primarily to the Mid-America and Cavalry mergers. For Mid-America, this identified intangible is being amortized over ten years using an accelerated method which anticipates the life of the underlying deposits to which the intangible is attributable. For Cavalry, this identified intangible is being amortized over seven years using an accelerated method which anticipates the life of the underlying deposits to which the intangible is attributable. Additionally, in connection with our acquisition of Beach and Gentry in July of 2008, we recorded a customer list intangible of \$1,270,000 which is being amortized over 20 years on an accelerated basis. Amortization of this intangible amounted to \$30,000 and \$91,000 during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009.

Total other noninterest expenses increased 63.3% in the third quarter of 2009 when compared to 2008 and 73.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 when compared to 2008. Most of these increases are attributable FDIC insurance premiums and legal fees. Recently, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) finalized its deposit insurance assessment rates for 2009. As a result of the requirement to increase the FDIC's Bank Insurance Fund to statutory levels over a prescribed period of time and increased pressure on the fund's reserves due to the increasing number of bank failures, FDIC insurance costs for 2009 will be significantly higher for all insured depository institutions. Also during the second quarter of 2009 a special assessment from the FDIC of approximately \$2.3 million was accrued to provide additional reserves for the FDIC's Bank Insurance Fund. We anticipate more bank failures through the duration of this credit cycle and as a result higher assessments.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2008, we incurred approximately \$5.6 million in merger related expenses, primarily related to retention bonuses and accruals, in connection with our merger with Mid-America, which was acquired during 2007. We do not anticipate any merger related expenses in connection with this acquisition during 2009.

Our efficiency ratio (ratio of noninterest expense to the sum of net interest income and noninterest income) was 64.52% for the third quarter of 2009 compared to 60.53% in the third quarter 2008 and 66.38% for the first nine months of 2009 compared to 64.8% in 2008. The efficiency ratio measures the amount of expense that is incurred to generate a dollar of revenue.

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Our consolidated balance sheet at September 30, 2009 reflects organic growth since December 31, 2008. Total assets grew to \$5.09 billion at September 30, 2009 from \$4.75 billion at December 31, 2008, an increase of 7.2%.

Loans. The composition of loans at September 30, 2009 and at December 31, 2008 and the percentage (%) of each classification to total loans are summarized as follows (dollars in thousands):

	<i>September 30, 2009</i>		<i>December 31, 2008</i>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Commercial real estate Mortgage	\$ 1,136,134	31.5%	\$ 963,530	28.7%
Consumer real estate Mortgage	754,412	20.9%	675,606	20.1%
Construction and land development	583,948	16.2%	658,799	19.6%
Commercial and industrial	1,034,971	28.7%	966,563	28.8%
Consumer and other	98,421	2.7%	90,409	2.8%
Total loans	\$ 3,607,886	100.0%	\$ 3,354,907	100.0%

Although the allocation of our loan portfolio did not change significantly during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 when compared to December 31, 2008, we experienced a decrease of 11.4% in the construction and land development loan classification as well as an increase of 17.9% in the commercial real estate classification. The decrease in the construction and land development classification is due in part to our decision to reduce our exposure to this particular segment, particularly the residential construction and land development segment. The reduction in our appetite for these type loans will reduce our loan growth in the future in comparison to historical periods. The increase in the commercial real estate mortgage category primarily reflects increased owner-occupied commercial real estate loans. The owner-occupied commercial real estate is similar in many ways to our commercial and industrial lending in that these loans are generally made to businesses on the basis of the cash flows of the business rather than on the valuation of the real estate. We continue to have loan demand for these types of commercial real estate mortgage products. Our consumer real estate mortgage portfolio does not include any ARM loans, subprime loans, or any material amount of other high risk consumer mortgage products.

We periodically analyze our commercial loan portfolio to determine if a concentration of credit risk exists to any one or more industries. We use broadly accepted industry classification systems in order to classify borrowers into various industry classifications. As a result, we have a credit exposure (loans outstanding plus unfunded commitments) exceeding 25% of Pinnacle National's total risk-based capital to borrowers in the following industries at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 (dollars in thousands):

	At September 30, 2009			Total Exposure at December 31, 2008
	Outstanding Principal Balances	Unfunded Commitments	Total exposure	
Lessors of nonresidential buildings	\$ 453,985	\$ 54,715	\$ 508,700	\$ 406,798
Lessors of residential buildings	153,504	16,240	169,744	159,261
Land subdividers	199,788	45,498	245,286	319,701
New housing operative builders	149,487	40,165	189,652	261,625

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The following table classifies our fixed and variable rate loans at September 30, 2009 according to contractual maturities of (1) one year or less, (2) after one year through five years, and (3) after five years. The table also classifies our variable rate loans pursuant to the contractual repricing dates of the underlying loans (dollars in thousands):

	<i>Amounts at September 30, 2009</i>			<i>At September</i>	<i>At December</i>
	<i>Fixed Rates</i>	<i>Variable Rates</i>	<i>Totals</i>	<i>30, 2009</i>	<i>31, 2008</i>
<i>Based on contractual maturity:</i>					
Due within one year	\$ 202,849	\$ 1,119,724	\$ 1,322,573	36.7%	40.9%
Due in one year to five years	876,964	667,130	1,544,094	42.8%	38.9%
Due after five years	112,398	628,821	741,219	20.5%	20.2%
Totals	\$ 1,192,211	\$ 2,415,675	\$ 3,607,886	100.0%	100.0%
<i>Based on contractual repricing dates:</i>					
Daily floating rate	\$	\$ 1,432,737	\$ 1,432,737	39.7%	41.8%
Due within one year	202,849	855,443	1,058,292	29.4%	25.3%
Due in one year to five years	876,964	119,950	996,914	27.6%	28.3%
Due after five years	112,398	7,545	119,943	3.3%	4.6%
Totals	\$ 1,192,211	\$ 2,415,675	\$ 3,607,886	100.0%	100.0%

The above information does not consider the impact of scheduled principal payments. Daily floating rate loans are tied to Pinnacle National's prime lending rate or a national interest rate index with the underlying loan rates changing in relation to changes in these indexes. Interest rate floors are currently in effect on \$1.0 billion of our daily floating rate loan portfolio and on \$370 million of our variable rate loan portfolio at varying maturities. The weighted average rate of the floors for the floating rate portfolio is 4.73% and the weighted average rate of the floors for the variable rate portfolio is 4.71%. As a result, interest income on these loans will not adjust until the contractual rate on the underlying loan exceeds the interest rate floor.

The specific economic and credit risks associated with our loan portfolio include, but are not limited to, the impact of recessionary economic conditions on our borrowers' cash flows, real estate market sales volumes and valuations, real estate industry concentrations, deterioration in certain credits, interest rate fluctuations, reduced collateral values or non-existent collateral, title defects, inaccurate appraisals, financial deterioration of borrowers, fraud, and any violation of laws and regulations.

We attempt to reduce these economic and credit risks by adherence to loan to value guidelines for collateralized loans, by investigating the creditworthiness of the borrower and by monitoring the borrower's financial position. Also, we establish and periodically review our lending policies and procedures. Banking regulations limit our exposure by prohibiting loan relationships that exceed 15% of Pinnacle National's statutory capital in the case of loans that are not fully secured by readily marketable or other permissible types of collateral which would approximate \$65.33 million. Furthermore, we have an internal limit for aggregate credit exposure (loans outstanding plus unfunded commitments) to a single borrower of \$22 million (i.e., house limit). Our loan policy requires that our Executive Committee of the board of directors approve any relationships that exceed this internal limit. Subsequent to September 30, 2009, the Executive Committee approved management's recommendation to reduce our house limit to \$15 million. Current

relationships in excess of \$15 million will be addressed on an exception basis.

Non-Performing Assets. At September 30, 2009 we had \$144.5 million in nonperforming assets compared to \$29.2 million at December 31, 2008. Included in nonperforming assets were \$121.7 million in nonperforming loans at September 30, 2009 and \$10.9 million at December 31, 2008. The increase in non-performing asset balances that Pinnacle Financial experienced in the nine months ended September 30, 2009 is primarily related to a weakened residential real estate market in Pinnacle Financial's market areas. Home builders and developers and sub-dividers of land have continued to experience stress due to a combination of declining residential real estate demand and resulting price and collateral value declines in Pinnacle Financial's market areas. Further, housing starts in Pinnacle Financial's market areas continue to slow.

The Greater Nashville Association of Realtors (GNAR) reported that the average median residential home price for the quarter ended September 30, 2009 was \$163,700, a decrease of 3.6% from the same quarter a year earlier. GNAR also reported that the number of residential inventory at September 30, 2009 was 14,700 homes, a decrease of 2.6% from a year earlier. Median home prices have fallen indicating that home values have decreased. Although fewer homes for sale could be considered a positive in this market, it also indicates that fewer home owners are willing to consider selling their home and subsequently acquire another home. An extended recessionary period will likely cause our construction and land development loans to continue to underperform and our nonperforming assets and loan losses to continue to increase for this segment of our loan portfolio. We believe our nonperforming asset levels will remain elevated.

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We have enhanced our credit administration resources dedicated to the residential construction and residential development portfolios by assigning senior executives and bankers to these portfolios. These individuals meet frequently to discuss the performance of the portfolio and specific relationships with emphasis on the underperforming assets. Their objective is to identify relationships that warrant continued support and remediate those relationships that will tend to cause our portfolio to underperform over the long term. We have reappraised many nonperforming assets to ascertain appropriate valuations, and we continue to systematically review these valuations as new data is received. All non-accruing loans are reviewed by and, in many cases, reassigned to a senior officer that was not the individual responsible for originating the loan. If the loan is reassigned, the senior officer is responsible for developing an action plan designed to minimize any future losses that may accrue to us. Typically, these senior officers review our loan files, interview past loan officers assigned to the relationship, meet with borrowers, inspect collateral, reappraise collateral and/or consult with legal counsel. The senior officer then recommends an action plan to a committee of senior associates including lenders and workout specialists, which could include foreclosure, restructuring the loan, issuing demand letters or other actions.

We discontinue the accrual of interest income when (1) there is a significant deterioration in the financial condition of the borrower and full repayment of principal and interest is not expected or (2) the principal or interest is more than 90 days past due, unless the loan is both well-secured and in the process of collection. At September 30, 2009, we had \$121.7 million in loans on nonaccrual compared to \$10.9 million at December 31, 2008, of which \$86.7 million and \$5.0 million, respectively, were residential construction and land development loans.

At September 30, 2009, we owned \$22.8 million in real estate which we had acquired, usually through foreclosure, from borrowers compared to \$18.3 million at December 31, 2008, all of which is located within our principal markets. Substantially all of these amounts relate to new home construction and residential development projects that are either completed or are in various stages of construction for which we believe we have adequate collateral, as follows (dollars in thousands):

	<i>Sept. 30, 2009</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 2008</i>
New home construction	\$ 8,174	\$ 12,927
Developed lots	3,329	2,601
Undeveloped land	7,707	1,062
Other	3,558	1,716
	\$ 22,768	\$ 18,306

Due to the weakening credit status of a borrower, we may elect to formally restructure certain loans to facilitate a repayment plan that minimizes the potential losses that we might incur. Restructured loans are classified as impaired loans and, if on nonaccruing status as of the date of restructuring, the loans are included in the nonperforming loan balances noted above. Not included in nonperforming loans are loans that have been restructured that were performing as of the restructure date. At September 30, 2009, there were \$12.8 million of accruing restructured loans that remain in a performing status. There were no accruing restructured loans at December 31, 2008.

There was \$65,000 in loans 90 days past due and still accruing interest at September 30, 2009 compared to \$1.5 million at December 31, 2008.

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The following table is a summary of our nonperforming assets at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 (dollars in thousands):

	<i>At September 30, 2009</i>	<i>At December 31, 2008</i>
Nonperforming loans (1)		
Commercial real estate mortgage	\$ 17,328	\$ 1,566
Consumer real estate mortgage	12,756	3,140
Construction and land development	86,707	5,016
Commercial and industrial	4,136	1,108
Consumer and other	799	30
Total nonaccrual/nonperforming loans	121,726	10,860
Other real estate owned	22,768	18,306
Total nonperforming assets	\$ 144,494	\$ 29,166
Ratios:		
Nonperforming loans to total loans	3.37%	0.32%
Nonperforming assets to total loans plus other real estate	3.98%	0.86%
Restructured loans (accruing) (1)	\$ 12,827	\$
Accruing loans past due 90 days or more	\$ 65	\$ 1,508

(1) Nonperforming loans exclude loans that have been restructured and remain on accruing status. These loans are not considered to be nonperforming because they were performing loans immediately prior to their restructuring and are currently performing in accordance with the restructured terms.

Potential Problem Loans. Potential problem loans, which are not included in nonperforming assets, amounted to approximately \$259.5 million or 7.2% of total loans at September 30, 2009 compared to \$27.8 million or 0.83% at December 31, 2008. Potential problem loans represent those loans with a well-defined weakness and where information about possible credit problems of borrowers has caused management to have serious doubts about the borrower's ability to comply with present repayment terms. This definition is believed to be substantially consistent with the standards established by the OCC, Pinnacle National's primary regulator, for loans classified as substandard, excluding the impact of nonperforming loans. The large increase in potential problem loans was caused primarily by the downgrade of additional residential construction and development loans, commercial and industrial loans, and commercial real estate loans.

Approximately \$20.3 million of potential problem loans are past due at least 30 but less than 90 days as of September 30, 2009. The following table is a summary of our performing loans that are past due at least 30 days but less than 90 days as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 (dollars in thousands):

	<i>At September 30, 2009</i>	<i>At December 31, 2008</i>
Commercial real estate mortgage	\$ 5,664	\$ 3,333
Consumer real estate mortgage	6,776	5,836
Construction and land development	8,054	6,161
Commercial and industrial	9,790	2,523
Consumer and other	728	787
Total performing loans past due 30 to 90 days	\$ 31,012	\$ 18,640

Allowance for Loan Losses (allowance). We maintain the allowance at a level that our management deems appropriate to adequately cover the probable losses inherent in the loan portfolio. As of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, our allowance for loan losses was \$82.9 million and \$36.5 million, respectively, which our management deemed to be adequate at each of the respective dates. The judgments and estimates associated with our allowance determination are described under *Critical Accounting Estimates* above.

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The following is a summary of changes in the allowance for loan losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and for the year ended December 31, 2008 and the ratio of the allowance for loan losses to total loans as of the end of each period (dollars in thousands):

	<i>Nine months ended September 30, 2009</i>	<i>Year ended December 31, 2008</i>
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 36,484	\$ 28,470
Provision for loan losses	101,064	11,214
Charged-off loans:		
Commercial real estate Mortgage	(917)	(62)
Consumer real estate Mortgage	(4,020)	(1,144)
Construction and land development	(18,707)	(2,172)
Commercial and industrial (2)	(30,309)	(773)
Consumer and other loans	(1,168)	(982)
Total charged-off loans	(55,121)	(5,133)
Recoveries of previously charged-off loans:		
Commercial real estate Mortgage		731
Consumer real estate Mortgage	137	3
Construction and land development	71	55
Commercial and industrial	147	844
Consumer and other loans	199	300
Total recoveries of previously charged-off loans	554	1,933
Net (charge-offs) recoveries	(54,567)	(3,200)
Balance at end of period	\$ 82,981	\$ 36,484
Ratio of allowance for loan losses to total loans outstanding at end of period	2.30%	1.09%
Ratio of net charge-offs (1) to average loans outstanding for the period	2.04%	0.11%

(1) Net charge-offs for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 have been annualized.

(2) Includes a \$21.5 million charge-off of a loan in the

second quarter
of 2009.

As noted in our critical accounting policies, management assesses the adequacy of the allowance prior to the end of each calendar quarter. This assessment includes procedures to estimate the allowance and test the adequacy and appropriateness of the resulting balance. The level of the allowance is based upon management's evaluation of the loan portfolios, past loan loss experience, known and inherent risks in the portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay (including the timing of future payment), the estimated value of any underlying collateral, composition of the loan portfolio, economic conditions, industry and peer bank loan quality indications, consideration of internal and regulatory examinations, and other pertinent factors. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires material estimates including the value of collateral and the amounts and timing of future cash flows expected to be received on impaired loans that may be susceptible to significant change.

The allowance increased by \$46.4 million between September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 and the ratio of our allowance for loan losses to total loans outstanding increased to 2.30% at September 30, 2009 from 1.09% at December 31, 2008. The significant increase in nonperforming loans, potential problem loans and net-charge offs during the first nine months of 2009 were the primary reasons for the increase in the allowance for loan losses in 2009 when compared to 2008.

Investments. Our investment portfolio, consisting primarily of Federal agency bonds, state and municipal securities and mortgage-backed securities, amounted to \$932.4 million and \$849.8 million at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively. Our investment portfolio serves many purposes including serving as a stable source of income, collateral for public funds and as a potential liquidity source. A summary of our investment portfolio at September 30, 2009 follows:

	September 30, 2009
Weighted average life	3.93 years
Weighted average coupon	5.08%
Tax equivalent yield	4.95%

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Deposits and Other Borrowings. We had approximately \$3.82 billion of deposits at September 30, 2009 compared to \$3.53 billion at December 31, 2008. Our deposits consist of noninterest and interest-bearing demand accounts, savings accounts, money market accounts and time deposits. Additionally, we entered into agreements with certain customers to sell certain securities under agreements to repurchase the security the following day. These agreements (which are typically associated with comprehensive treasury management programs for our clients and provide them with short-term returns for their excess funds) amounted to \$215.7 million at September 30, 2009 and \$184.3 million at December 31, 2008. Additionally, at September 30, 2009, we had borrowed \$223.0 million in advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati compared to \$183.3 million at December 31, 2008.

Generally, we have classified our funding base as either core funding or non-core funding. Core funding consists of all deposits other than time deposits issued in denominations of \$100,000 or greater. All other funding is deemed to be non-core. The following table represents the balances of our deposits and other fundings and the percentage of each type to the total at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 (dollars in thousands):

	<i>September 30,</i> <i>2009</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>December 31,</i> <i>2008</i>	<i>Percent</i>
<i>Core funding:</i>				
Noninterest-bearing deposit accounts	\$ 504,481	11.6%	\$ 424,757	10.4%
Interest-bearing demand accounts	356,391	8.2%	375,993	9.2%
Savings and money market accounts	948,875	21.8%	694,582	17.0%
Time deposit accounts less than \$100,000	432,498	9.9%	570,443	13.9%
Total core funding	2,242,245	51.5%	2,065,775	50.5%
<i>Non-core funding:</i>				
<i>Relationship based non-core funding:</i>				
Time deposit accounts greater than \$100,000				
Reciprocating time deposits	209,546	4.8%	36,924	0.9%
Other time deposits	639,006	14.7%	599,947	14.7%
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	215,674	5.0%	184,298	4.5%
Total relationship based non-core funding	1,064,226	24.5%	821,169	20.1%
<i>Wholesale funding:</i>				
Time deposit accounts greater than \$100,000				
Public funds	290,000	6.6%	245,000	6.0%
Brokered deposits	439,112	10.1%	585,599	14.3%
Federal Home Loan Bank advances, Federal funds purchased and other borrowings	222,986	5.1%	273,609	6.7%
Subordinated debt Pinnacle National	15,000	1.9%	15,000	0.4%
Subordinated debt Pinnacle Financial	82,476	.3%	82,476	2.0%
Total wholesale funding	1,049,574	24.0%	1,201,684	29.4%
Total non-core funding	2,113,800	48.5%	2,022,853	49.5%
Totals	\$ 4,356,045	100.0%	\$ 4,088,628	100.0%

Our funding policies limit the amount of non-core funding we can use to support our growth. Periodically, we may exceed our policy limitations, at which time management will develop plans to bring our core funding ratios back

within compliance. At September 30, 2009, we were in compliance with our core funding policies. As noted in the table above, our core funding as a percentage of total funding increased from 50.5% at December 31, 2008 to 51.5% at September 30, 2009. The reciprocating time deposit category consists of deposits we receive from a bank network (the CDARS network) in connection with deposits of our customers in excess of our FDIC coverage limit that we place with the CDARS network. With the temporary increase in FDIC coverage from \$100,000 to \$250,000, the CDARS network which manages the reciprocating time deposit programs began placing funds in time deposits greater than \$100,000 increments, thus elevating the amount of time deposits above the \$100,000 core threshold. In addition, the temporary insurance limit increase resulted in a significant increase in time deposits of our customers between \$100,000 and the new insurance limits. Growing our core deposit base is a key strategic objective of our firm.

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The amount of time deposits as of September 30, 2009 amounted to \$2.0 billion. The following table shows our time deposits in denominations of under \$100,000 and those of denominations of \$100,000 or greater by category based on time remaining until maturity of (1) three months or less, (2) over three but less than six months, (3) over six but less than twelve months and (4) over twelve months and the weighted average rate for each category (dollars in thousands):

	Balances	Weighted Avg. Rate
<i>Denominations less than \$100,000</i>		
Three months or less	\$ 70,706	2.99%
Over three but less than six months	133,181	2.39%
Over six but less than twelve months	105,802	2.51%
Over twelve months	122,809	0.91%
	432,498	2.09%
<i>Denomination \$100,000 and greater</i>		
Three months or less	699,930	1.46%
Over three but less than six months	399,388	2.17%
Over six but less than twelve months	218,339	2.74%
Over twelve months	260,007	2.53%
	1,577,664	1.99%
Totals	\$ 2,010,162	2.02%

Subordinated debt and other borrowings. On December 29, 2003, we established PNFPS Statutory Trust I; on September 15, 2005 we established PNFPS Statutory Trust II; on September 7, 2006 we established PNFPS Statutory Trust III and on October 31, 2007 we established PNFPS Statutory Trust IV (Trust I ; Trust II ; Trust III , Trust IV or collectively, the Trusts). All are wholly-owned Pinnacle Financial subsidiaries that are statutory business trusts. We are the sole sponsor of the Trusts and acquired each Trust s common securities for \$310,000; \$619,000; \$619,000, and \$928,000, respectively. The Trusts were created for the exclusive purpose of issuing 30-year capital trust preferred securities (Trust Preferred Securities) in the aggregate amount of \$10,000,000 for Trust I; \$20,000,000 for Trust II; \$20,000,000 for Trust III, and \$30,000,000 for Trust IV and using the proceeds to acquire junior subordinated debentures (Subordinated Debentures) issued by Pinnacle Financial. The sole assets of the Trusts are the Subordinated Debentures. At September 30, 2009, our \$2,476,000 investment in the Trusts is included in investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and our \$82,476,000 obligation is reflected as subordinated debt.

The Trust I Preferred Securities bear a floating interest rate based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR (3.09% at September 30, 2009) which is set each quarter and matures on December 30, 2033. The Trust II Preferred Securities bear a fixed interest rate of 5.85% per annum thru September 30, 2010 after which time the securities will bear a floating rate set each quarter based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR. The Trust II securities mature on September 30, 2035. The Trust III Preferred Securities bear a floating interest rate based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR (1.93% at September 30, 2009) which is set each quarter and mature on September 30, 2036. The Trust IV Preferred Securities bear a floating interest rate based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR (3.15% at September 30, 2009) which is set each quarter and matures on September 30, 2037.

Distributions are payable quarterly. The Trust Preferred Securities are subject to mandatory redemption upon repayment of the Subordinated Debentures at their stated maturity date or their earlier redemption in an amount equal to their liquidation amount plus accumulated and unpaid distributions to the date of redemption. We guarantee the

payment of distributions and payments for redemption or liquidation of the Trust Preferred Securities to the extent of funds held by the Trusts. Pinnacle Financial's obligations under the Subordinated Debentures together with the guarantee and other back-up obligations, in the aggregate, constitute a full and unconditional guarantee by Pinnacle Financial of the obligations of the Trusts under the Trust Preferred Securities.

The Subordinated Debentures are unsecured; bear interest at a rate equal to the rates paid by the Trusts on the Trust Preferred Securities; and mature on the same dates as those noted above for the Trust Preferred Securities. Interest is payable quarterly. We may defer the payment of interest at any time for a period not exceeding 20 consecutive quarters provided that the deferral period does not extend past the stated maturity. During any such deferral period, distributions on the Trust Preferred Securities will also be deferred and our ability to pay dividends on our common shares will be restricted.

Subject to approval by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta and the limitations on repurchase resulting from Pinnacle Financial's participation in the CPP, the Trust Preferred Securities may be redeemed subject to the limitations imposed under the CPP prior to maturity at our option on or after September 17, 2008 for Trust I; on or after September 30, 2010 for Trust II; September 30, 2011 for Trust III and September 30, 2012 for Trust IV. The Trust Preferred Securities may also be redeemed at any time subject to the CPP restrictions in whole (but not in part) in the event of unfavorable changes in laws or regulations that result in (1) the Trust becoming subject to federal income tax on income received on the Subordinated Debentures, (2) interest payable by the parent company on the Subordinated Debentures becoming non-deductible for Federal tax purposes, (3) the requirement for the Trust to register under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, or (4) loss of the ability to treat the Trust Preferred Securities as Tier I capital under the Federal Reserve capital adequacy guidelines.

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The Trust Preferred Securities for the Trusts qualify as Tier I capital under current regulatory definitions subject to certain limitations. Debt issuance costs associated with Trust I of \$120,000 consisting primarily of underwriting discounts and professional fees are included in other assets in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. These debt issuance costs are being amortized over ten years using the straight-line method. There were no debt issuance costs associated with Trust II, Trust III or Trust IV.

During the second quarter of 2009, we terminated a loan agreement related to a \$25 million line of credit with a regional bank. This line of credit was used to support the growth of Pinnacle National. The balance owed pursuant to this line of credit at March 31, 2009 was \$18 million which was paid by Pinnacle Financial prior to termination in the second quarter. The line of credit had a one year term, contained customary affirmative and negative covenants regarding the operation of our business and a negative pledge on the common stock of Pinnacle National.

On August 5, 2008, Pinnacle National also entered into a \$15 million subordinated term loan with a regional bank. The loan bears interest at three month LIBOR plus 3.5%, matures in 2015 and qualifies as Tier 2 capital for regulatory capital purposes until 2010 and at a decreasing percentage each year thereafter. This additional bank level capital has been utilized to support our growth.

Capital Resources. At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, our stockholders' equity amounted to \$710.1 million and \$627.3 million, respectively, an increase of approximately \$82.8 million. This increase was primarily attributable to our second quarter 2009 common equity raise completed on June 16, 2009 which netted us approximately \$109.0 million in additional capital from the sale of 8,855,000 shares of our common stock. This increase was offset by \$26.0 million decrease in comprehensive loss, which was composed of \$33.0 million in net losses together with \$7.0 million of net unrealized holding gains associated with our available-for-sale portfolio. On December 12, 2008, we issued 95,000 shares of preferred stock to the U.S. Treasury for \$95 million pursuant to the CPP. Additionally, we issued 534,910 common stock warrants to the U.S. Treasury as a condition to our participation in the CPP. The warrants have an exercise price of \$26.64 each, are immediately exercisable and expire 10 years from the date of issuance. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the accrued dividend costs and the accretion of the discount recorded on the preferred stock totaled \$1.5 million and \$4.4 million, respectively.

The Series A preferred stock sold pursuant to the CPP is non-voting, other than having class voting rights on certain matters, and pays cumulative dividends quarterly at a rate of 5% per annum for the first five years and 9% thereafter. The preferred shares are only redeemable at our option under certain circumstances during the first three years and are redeemable thereafter without restriction. As a result of our participation in CPP, our capital ratios have been further enhanced.

On June 16, 2009, we completed the sale of 8,855,000 shares of our common stock in a public offering, resulting in net proceeds to Pinnacle Financial of approximately \$109.0 million. As a result, and pursuant to the terms of the warrant issued to the U.S. Treasury in connection with our participation in the CPP, the number of shares issuable upon exercise of the warrant issued to the U.S. Treasury in connection with the CPP was reduced by 50%, or 267,455 shares.

During the second quarter of 2009, we sought permission from our primary federal regulators to redeem the preferred shares we sold to the U.S. Treasury through the CPP. During the third quarter of 2009 and after consideration of various factors, we withdrew our application to redeem the preferred shares we sold the U.S. Treasury through the CPP.

Because of its recent losses and higher levels of problem and potential problem loans, we have established internal capital guidelines for Pinnacle National's Tier 1 leverage ratio of at least 8% and a total risk-based capital ratio of at least 11%. Pinnacle National's tier 1 leverage ratio and total risk-based capital ratio were 8.8% and 12.2%, respectively, as of September 30, 2009.

At September 30, 2009, Pinnacle Financial's Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio was 13.1%, our total risk-based capital was 14.7% and our leverage ratio was 10.9%, compared to 12.1%, 13.5% and 10.5% at December 31, 2008, respectively.

Dividends. Pinnacle National is subject to restrictions on the payment of dividends to Pinnacle Financial under federal banking laws and the regulations of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, Pinnacle National paid \$7.1 million in dividends to Pinnacle Financial. Pinnacle Financial is

subject to limits on payment of dividends to its shareholders by the rules, regulations and policies of Federal banking authorities, the laws of the State of Tennessee and as a result of its participation in the CPP (as more fully discussed in Pinnacle Financial's 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K). Pinnacle Financial has not paid any dividends to date, nor does it anticipate paying dividends to its shareholders for the foreseeable future. Future dividend policy will depend on Pinnacle Financial's earnings, capital position, financial condition and other factors.

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Our objective is to manage assets and liabilities to provide a satisfactory, consistent level of profitability within the framework of established liquidity, loan, investment, borrowing, and capital policies. Our Asset Liability Management Committee (ALCO) is charged with the responsibility of monitoring these policies, which are designed to ensure acceptable composition of asset/liability mix. Two critical areas of focus for ALCO are interest rate sensitivity and liquidity risk management.

Interest Rate Sensitivity. In the normal course of business, we are exposed to market risk arising from fluctuations in interest rates. ALCO measures and evaluates the interest rate risk so that we can meet customer demands for various types of loans and deposits. ALCO determines the most appropriate amounts of on-balance sheet and off-balance sheet items. Measurements which we use to help us manage interest rate sensitivity include an earnings simulation model and an economic value of equity model. These measurements are used in conjunction with competitive pricing analysis.

Earnings simulation model. We believe that interest rate risk is best measured by our earnings simulation modeling. Forecasted levels of earning assets, interest-bearing liabilities, and off-balance sheet financial instruments are combined with ALCO forecasts of interest rates for the next 12 months and are combined with other factors in order to produce various earnings simulations. To limit interest rate risk, we have guidelines for our earnings at risk which seek to limit the variance of net interest income to less than a 20 percent decline for a gradual 300 basis point change up or down in rates from management's flat interest rate forecast over the next twelve months; to less than a 10 percent decline for a gradual 200 basis point change up or down in rates from management's flat interest rate forecast over the next twelve months; and to less than a 5 percent decline for a gradual 100 basis point change up or down in rates from management's flat interest rate forecast over the next twelve months.

Economic value of equity. Our economic value of equity model measures the extent that estimated economic values of our assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet items will change as a result of interest rate changes. Economic values are determined by discounting expected cash flows from assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet items, which establishes a base case economic value of equity. To help limit interest rate risk, we have a guideline stating that for an instantaneous 300 basis point change in interest rates up or down, the economic value of equity should not decrease by more than 30 percent from the base case; for a 200 basis point instantaneous change in interest rates up or down, the economic value of equity should not decrease by more than 20 percent; and for a 100 basis point instantaneous change in interest rates up or down, the economic value of equity should not decrease by more than 10 percent.

At September 30, 2009, our model results indicate that our most likely rate scenario optimizes our net interest income. Our most likely rate forecast currently anticipates no change in the Federal funds rate for the next twelve months although our modeling does anticipate changes in intermediate and longer term rates based on a consensus of national economists' forecasts. However, much of our balance sheet pricing is aligned with the Federal funds rates and other shorter term rates. Should rates rise sooner than anticipated, the floors on our floating rate assets will limit our ability to increase our net interest income until rates rise enough to surpass these established loan floors. Should the rate environment begin to decrease, the rates we are currently paying to our depositors, we believe, are at their competitive lows and because we have a meaningful volume of floating rate assets that are not priced using interest rate floors, we would not be able to increase our net interest income meaningfully during a falling interest rate cycle. Traditionally, we maintain an asset sensitive balance sheet. We will likely maintain a balance sheet that is more asset sensitive once this credit cycle has abated and short-term interest rates increase. Asset sensitivity implies that our assets will reprice faster than our liabilities. As a result and absent the impact of interest rate floors, an interest rate increase should be beneficial to us as our asset yields would increase at a more rapid rate than the costs of our liabilities.

Each of the above analyses may not, on its own, be an accurate indicator of how our net interest income will be affected by changes in interest rates. Income associated with interest-earning assets and costs associated with interest-bearing liabilities may not be affected uniformly by changes in interest rates. In addition, the magnitude and duration of changes in interest rates may have a significant impact on net interest income. For example, although certain assets and liabilities may have similar maturities or periods of repricing, they may react in different degrees to changes in market interest rates. Interest rates on certain types of assets and liabilities fluctuate in advance of changes in general market rates, while interest rates on other types may lag behind changes in general market rates. In addition,

certain assets, such as adjustable rate mortgage loans, have features (generally referred to as interest rate caps and floors) which limit changes in interest rates. Prepayment and early withdrawal levels also could deviate significantly from those assumed in calculating the maturity of certain instruments. The ability of many borrowers to service their debts also may decrease during periods of rising interest rates. ALCO reviews each of the above interest rate sensitivity analyses along with several different interest rate scenarios as part of its responsibility to provide a satisfactory, consistent level of profitability within the framework of established liquidity, loan, investment, borrowing, and capital policies. At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, we had not entered into any derivative contracts to assist managing our interest rate sensitivity.

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We may also use derivative financial instruments to improve the balance between interest-sensitive assets and interest-sensitive liabilities and as one tool to manage our interest rate sensitivity while continuing to meet the credit and deposit needs of our customers. We periodically enter into interest rate swaps (swaps) to facilitate customer transactions and meet their financing needs. These swaps qualify as derivatives, but are not designed as hedging instruments.

Liquidity Risk Management. The purpose of liquidity risk management is to ensure that there are sufficient cash flows to satisfy loan demand, deposit withdrawals, and our other needs. Traditional sources of liquidity for a bank include asset maturities and growth in core deposits. A bank may achieve its desired liquidity objectives from the management of its assets and liabilities and by internally generated funding through its operations. Funds invested in marketable instruments that can be readily sold and the continuous maturing of other earning assets are sources of liquidity from an asset perspective. The liability base provides sources of liquidity through attraction of increased deposits and borrowing funds from various other institutions.

Changes in interest rates also affect our liquidity position. We currently price deposits in response to market rates and our management intends to continue this policy. If deposits are not priced in response to market rates, a loss of deposits could occur which would negatively affect our liquidity position.

Scheduled loan payments are a relatively stable source of funds, but loan payoffs and deposit flows fluctuate significantly, being influenced by interest rates, general economic conditions and competition. Additionally, debt security investments are subject to prepayment and call provisions that could accelerate their payoff prior to stated maturity. We attempt to price our deposit products to meet our asset/liability objectives consistent with local market conditions. Our ALCO is responsible for monitoring our ongoing liquidity needs. Our regulators also monitor our liquidity and capital resources on a periodic basis.

In addition, Pinnacle National is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati (FHLB). As a result, Pinnacle National receives advances from the FHLB, pursuant to the terms of various borrowing agreements, which assist it in the funding of its home mortgage and commercial real estate loan portfolios. Under the borrowing agreements with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati, Pinnacle National has pledged certain qualifying residential mortgage loans and, pursuant to a blanket lien, all qualifying commercial mortgage loans as collateral. At September 30, 2009, Pinnacle National had received advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati totaling \$223.0 million at the following rates and maturities (dollars in thousands):

	Amount	Interest Rates
2009	\$ 10,039	0.93%
2010	91,457	2.42%
2011	10,091	1.90%
2012	30,089	3.50%
Thereafter	81,310	2.86%
Total	\$ 222,986	

Weighted average interest rate 2.64%

Pinnacle National also has accommodations with upstream correspondent banks for unsecured short-term advances. These accommodations have various covenants related to their term and availability, and in most cases must be repaid within less than a month. There were no outstanding borrowings under these agreements at September 30, 2009, and for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, we averaged borrowings from correspondent banks of \$13.7 million under such agreements.

At September 30, 2009, brokered certificates of deposit approximated \$439.1 million which represented 10.1% of total funding compared to \$585.6 million and 14.3% at December 31, 2008. We issue these brokered certificates through several different brokerage houses based on competitive bid. Typically, these funds are for varying maturities

up to two years and are issued at rates which are competitive to rates we would be required to pay to attract similar deposits within our local markets as well as rates for Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati advances of similar maturities. We consider these deposits to be a ready source of liquidity under current market conditions.

At September 30, 2009, we had no significant commitments for capital expenditures. However, we are in the process of developing our branch network or other office facilities in the Nashville MSA and the Knoxville MSA. As a result, we anticipate that we will enter into contracts to buy property or construct branch facilities and/or lease agreements to lease facilities in the Nashville MSA and Knoxville MSA, including entering into agreements to relocate our downtown office facility in Nashville, Tennessee to a new facility projected to open in 2010.

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Our management believes that we have adequate liquidity to meet all known contractual obligations and unfunded commitments, including loan commitments and reasonable borrower, depositor, and creditor requirements over the next twelve months.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements. At September 30, 2009, we had outstanding standby letters of credit of \$92.4 million and unfunded loan commitments outstanding of \$935.1 million. Because these commitments generally have fixed expiration dates and many will expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment level does not necessarily represent future cash requirements. If needed to fund these outstanding commitments, Pinnacle National has the ability to liquidate Federal funds sold or securities available-for-sale, or on a short-term basis to borrow and purchase Federal funds from other financial institutions.

Impact of Inflation

The consolidated financial statements and related consolidated financial data presented herein have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and practices within the banking industry which require the measurement of financial position and operating results in terms of historical dollars without considering the changes in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation. Unlike most industrial companies, virtually all the assets and liabilities of a financial institution are monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates have a more significant impact on a financial institution's performance than the effects of general levels of inflation.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 168, *The FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, a replacement of FASB Statement No. 162* . This statement modifies the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) hierarchy by establishing only two levels of GAAP, authoritative and nonauthoritative accounting literature. Effective July 2009, the FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC), also known collectively as the Codification, is considered the single source of authoritative U.S. accounting and reporting standards, except for additional authoritative rules and interpretive releases issued by the SEC. Nonauthoritative guidance and literature would include, among other things, FASB Concepts Statements, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Issue Papers and Technical Practice Aids and accounting textbooks. The Codification was developed to organize GAAP pronouncements by topic so that users can more easily access authoritative accounting guidance. It is organized by topic, subtopic, section, and paragraph, each of which is identified by a numerical designation. FASB ASC 105-10 Generally Accepted Accounting Principles became applicable beginning in third quarter of 2009. All accounting references have been updated, and therefore SFAS references have been replaced with ASC references except for SFAS references that have not been integrated into the codification.

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS 166, *Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets* an amendment of FASB Statement No. 140 (ASC 860). SFAS No. 166 provides for the removal of the qualifying special purpose entity (QSPE) concept from GAAP, resulting in the evaluation of all former QSPEs for consolidation on and after January 1, 2010 in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 167, *Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R)* (ASC 810-10-05-8). SFAS No. 166 modifies the criteria for achieving sale accounting for transfers of financial assets and defines the term participating interest to establish specific conditions for reporting a transfer of a portion of a financial asset as a sale. SFAS No. 166 also provides that a transferor should recognize and initially measure at fair value all assets obtained (including a transferor's beneficial interest) and liabilities incurred as a result of a transfer of financial assets accounted for as a sale. SFAS No. 166 requires enhanced disclosures which are generally consistent with, and supersede, the disclosures previously required by ASC 860-10-65-2. SFAS No. 166 is effective prospectively for new transfers of financial assets occurring in fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2009, and in interim periods within those fiscal years. SFAS No. 166's disclosure requirements should be applied to transfers that occurred both before and after its effective date, with comparative disclosures required only for periods subsequent to initial adoption for those disclosures not previously required under ASC 860-10-65-2. This statement is not expected to have a significant impact to Pinnacle Financial's financial condition or results of operations.

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In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 167 which revises the criteria for determining the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity (VIE) by replacing the prior quantitative-based risks and rewards test required under FASB Interpretation No. 46-R, Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities revised December 2003 (ASC 810-10-05-8) with a qualitative analysis. While SFAS No. 167 retains the guidance in ASC 810-10-05-8 which requires a reassessment of whether an entity is a VIE only when certain triggering events occur, it adds an additional criterion which triggers a reassessment of an entity's status when an event occurs such that the holders of the equity investment at risk, as a group, lose the power from voting rights or similar rights of those investments to direct the activities of the entity that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance. Additionally, SFAS No. 167 requires continual reconsideration of conclusions regarding which interest holder is the VIE's primary beneficiary. SFAS No. 167 requires separate presentation on the face of the balance sheet of the assets of a consolidated VIE that can only be used to settle the VIE's obligations and the liabilities of a consolidated VIE for which creditors or beneficial interest holders have no recourse to the general credit of the primary beneficiary. SFAS No. 167 also requires enhanced disclosures which are generally consistent with, and supersede, the disclosures previously required by ASC 860-10-65-2. SFAS No. 167 is effective for periods beginning after November 15, 2009, and requires reevaluation under its amended consolidation requirements of all QSPEs and entities currently subject to ASC 810-10-05-8 as of the beginning of the first annual period that begins after November 15, 2009. If consolidation of a VIE is required upon initial adoption, the assets, liabilities, and noncontrolling interests of the VIE should be measured at their carrying amounts as if SFAS No. 167 had been applied from inception of the VIE, with any difference between the net amounts recognized and the amount of any previously recognized interests reflected as a cumulative effect adjustment to undivided profits. However, if determining the carrying amounts is not practicable, the assets, liabilities, and noncontrolling interests of the VIE may be measured at fair value. Further, if determining the carrying amounts is not practicable, and if the activities of the VIE are primarily related to securitizations or other forms of asset-backed financings and the assets of the VIE can be used only to settle obligations of the entity, then the assets and liabilities of the VIE may be measured at their unpaid principal balances. The fair value option provided under SFAS No. 159 may also be elected for financial assets and financial liabilities requiring consolidation as a result of initial adoption, provided that the election is made for all eligible financial assets and financial liabilities of the VIE. If initial application of SFAS No. 167 results in deconsolidation of a VIE, any retained interest in the VIE should be measured at its carrying value as if SFAS No. 167 had been applied from inception of the VIE. Comparative disclosures are required only for periods subsequent to initial adoption for those disclosures not previously required under ASC 860-10-65-2. This statement is not expected to have a significant impact to Pinnacle Financial's financial condition or results of operations.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The information required by this Item 3 is included on pages 46 through 47 of Part I Item 2 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Pinnacle Financial maintains disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act), that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by it in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to Pinnacle Financial's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Pinnacle Financial carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of its management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on the evaluation of these disclosure controls and procedures, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that Pinnacle Financial's disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

Changes in Internal Controls

There were no changes in Pinnacle Financial's internal control over financial reporting during Pinnacle Financial's fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2009 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect,

Pinnacle Financial's internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

There are no material pending legal proceedings to which the Company is a party or of which any of their property is the subject.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Except as set forth below, there have been no material changes to our risk factors as previously disclosed in Part I, Item IA of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

Recent negative developments in the U.S. and local economy and in local real estate markets have adversely impacted our operations and results and may continue to adversely impact our results in the future.

Economic conditions in the markets in which we operate have deteriorated significantly since early 2008. As a result, we have experienced a significant reduction in our earnings, resulting primarily from provisions for loan losses related to declining collateral values in our construction and development loan portfolio. We believe that this difficult economic environment will continue at least throughout the remainder of 2009 and in 2010, and we expect that our results of operations will continue to be negatively impacted as a result. There can be no assurance that the economic conditions that have adversely affected the financial services industry, and the capital, credit and real estate markets generally or us in particular, will improve in the near future, or thereafter, in which case we could continue to experience significant losses and write-downs of assets, and could face capital and liquidity constraints or other business challenges.

Our loan portfolio includes a significant amount of real estate construction and development loans, which have a greater credit risk than residential mortgage loans.

The percentage of real estate construction and development loans in our bank subsidiary's portfolio was approximately 16.2% of total loans at September 30, 2009, and these loans make up approximately 71.2% of our non-performing loans at September 30, 2009. This type of lending is generally considered to have relatively high credit risks because the principal is concentrated in a limited number of loans with repayment dependent on the successful operation of the related real estate project. Consequently, these loans are more sensitive to the current adverse conditions in the real estate market and the general economy. Throughout 2009, the number of newly constructed homes or lots sold in our market areas has continued to decline, negatively affecting collateral values and contributing to increased provision expense and higher levels of non-performing assets. A continued reduction in residential real estate market prices and demand could result in further price reductions in home and land values adversely affecting the value of collateral securing the construction and development loans that we hold. These adverse economic and real estate market conditions may lead to further increases in non-performing loans and other real estate owned, increased charge offs from the disposition of non-performing assets, and increases in provision for loan losses, all of which would negatively impact our financial condition and results of operations.

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We have a concentration of credit exposure to borrowers in certain industries and we also target small to medium-sized businesses.

At September 30, 2009, we had significant credit exposures to borrowers in certain business, including the commercial and residential building lessors, new home building, and land subdividers. These industries are experiencing adversity in the current recession and, as a result, an increased level of borrowers in these industries have been unable to perform their obligations under their existing loan agreements with us, or have suffered loan downgrades which has negatively impacted our results of operations. If the current recessionary environment continues, these industry concentrations could result in higher than normal deterioration in credit quality, past dues, loan charge offs and collateral value declines, which could cause our earnings to be negatively impacted. Furthermore, any of our large credit exposures that deteriorates unexpectedly could cause us to have to make significant additional loan loss provisions, negatively impacting our earnings. In May 2009, we charged off in full a \$21.5 million loan to a bank holding company, the subsidiary bank of which was placed in receivership by the OCC during the first quarter of 2009.

Additionally, a substantial focus of our marketing and business strategy is to serve small to medium-sized businesses in the Nashville and Knoxville MSAs. As a result, a relatively high percentage of our loan portfolio consists of commercial loans primarily to small to medium-sized businesses. At September 30, 2009, our commercial and industrial loans accounted for almost 28.7% of our total loans. During periods of economic weakness like those we are currently experiencing, small to medium-sized businesses may be impacted more severely and more quickly than larger businesses. Consequently, the ability of such businesses to repay their loans may deteriorate, and in some cases this deterioration may occur quickly, which would adversely impact our results of operations and financial condition.

We are geographically concentrated in the Nashville, Tennessee and Knoxville, Tennessee MSAs, and changes in local economic conditions impact our profitability.

We currently operate primarily in the Nashville, Tennessee and Knoxville, Tennessee MSAs, and most of our loan, deposit and other customers live or have operations in these areas. Accordingly, our success significantly depends upon the growth in population, income levels, deposits and housing starts in these markets, along with the continued attraction of business ventures to the areas, and our profitability is impacted by the changes in general economic conditions in these markets. Economic conditions in the Nashville and Knoxville MSAs have weakened in 2009, negatively affecting our operations, particularly the real estate construction and development segment of our loan portfolio. Unemployment has risen significantly in both markets in 2009 from 2008 levels. We cannot assure you that economic conditions in our markets will improve over the remainder of 2009 or during 2010 or thereafter, and continued weak economic conditions in our markets could reduce our growth rate, affect the ability of our customers to repay their loans and generally affect our financial condition and results of operations.

We are less able than a larger institution to spread the risks of unfavorable local economic conditions across a large number of diversified economies. Moreover, we cannot give any assurance that we will benefit from any market growth or return of more favorable economic conditions in our primary market areas if they do occur.

If our allowance for loan losses is not sufficient to cover actual loan losses, our earnings will decrease.

If loan customers with significant loan balances fail to repay their loans, our earnings and capital levels will suffer. We make various assumptions and judgments about the probable losses in our loan portfolio, including the creditworthiness of our borrowers and the value of any collateral securing the loans. We maintain an allowance for loan losses to cover our estimate of the probable losses in our loan portfolio. In determining the size of this allowance, we rely on an analysis of our loan portfolio based on volume and types of loans, internal loan classifications, trends in classifications, volume and trends in delinquencies, nonaccruals and charge-offs, national and local economic conditions, industry and peer bank loan quality indications, and other pertinent factors and information. If our assumptions are inaccurate, our current allowance may not be sufficient to cover potential loan losses, and additional provisions may be necessary which would decrease our earnings.

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In addition, federal and state regulators periodically review our loan portfolio and may require us to increase our allowance for loan losses or recognize loan charge-offs. Their conclusions about the quality of our loan portfolio may be different than ours. Any increase in our allowance for loan losses or loan charge offs as required by these regulatory agencies could have a negative effect on our operating results. Moreover, additions to the allowance may be necessary based on changes in economic and real estate market conditions, new information regarding existing loans, identification of additional problem loans and other factors, both within and outside of our management's control.

We have increased levels of other real estate, primarily as a result of foreclosures, and we anticipate higher levels of foreclosed real estate expense.

As we have begun to resolve non-performing real estate loans, we have increased the level of foreclosed properties primarily those acquired from builders and from residential land developers. Foreclosed real estate expense consists of three types of charges: maintenance costs, valuation adjustments owed on new appraisal values and gains or losses on disposition. These charges will increase as levels of other real estate increase, and also as local real estate values decline.

Recent legislative and regulatory initiatives that were enacted in response to the recent financial crisis are beginning to wind down.

The U.S. federal, state and foreign governments have taken various actions in an attempt to deal with the worldwide financial crisis and the severe decline in the global economy. Some of these programs are beginning to expire and the impact of the wind down on the financial sector and on the economic recovery is unknown. In the United States, the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 or EESA, was enacted on October 3, 2008. The Troubled Asset Relief Program, or TARP, established pursuant to EESA, includes the Capital Purchase Program, pursuant to which Treasury is authorized to purchase senior preferred stock and common or preferred stock warrants from participating financial institutions. TARP also authorized the purchase of other securities and financial instruments for the purpose of stabilizing and providing liquidity to U.S. financial markets. TARP is scheduled to expire December 31, 2009, although the Treasury has announced it will likely extend it until October 31, 2010. On September 18, 2009, the Treasury guarantee on money market mutual funds expired. On October 20, 2009, the FDIC announced that the Temporary Loan Guaranty Program pursuant to which the FDIC guarantees unsecured debt of banks and certain holding companies would expire October 31, 2009, except for a temporary emergency facility. The Transaction Account Guarantee portion of the program, which guarantees non interest bearing bank transaction accounts on an unlimited basis, is scheduled to continue until June 30, 2010.

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National or state legislation or regulation may increase our expenses and reduce earnings.

Federal bank regulators are increasing regulatory scrutiny, and additional restrictions on financial institutions have been proposed by regulators and by Congress. Changes in tax law, federal legislation, regulation or policies, such as bankruptcy laws, deposit insurance, consumer protection laws, and capital requirements, among others, can result in significant increases in our expenses and/or charge-offs, which may adversely affect our earnings. Changes in state or federal tax laws or regulations can have a similar impact. Furthermore, financial institution regulatory agencies are expected to continue to be very aggressive in responding to concerns and trends identified in examinations, including the continued issuance of additional formal or enforcement or supervisory actions. If we were required to enter into such actions with our regulators, we could be required to agree to limitations or take actions that limit our operational flexibility, restrict our growth or increase our capital or liquidity levels. Failure to comply with any formal or informal regulatory restrictions would lead to further regulatory enforcement actions. Negative developments in the financial services industry and the impact of recently enacted or new legislation in response to those developments could negatively impact our operations by restricting our business operations, including our ability to originate or sell loans, and adversely impact our financial performance. In addition, industry, legislative or regulatory developments may cause us to materially change our existing strategic direction, capital strategies, compensation or operating plans.

We may not be able to continue to expand into the Knoxville MSA in the time frame and at the levels that we currently expect.

In order to continue our expansion into the Knoxville MSA, we will be required to hire additional associates and build out a branch network. We cannot assure you that we will be able to hire the number of experienced associates that we need to successfully execute our strategy in the Knoxville MSA, nor can we assure you that the associates we hire will be able to successfully execute our growth strategy in that market. Because we seek to hire experienced associates, the compensation cost associated with these individuals may be higher than that of other financial institutions of similar size in the market. If we are unable to grow our loan portfolio at planned rates, the increased compensation expense of these experienced associates may negatively impact our results of operations. Because there will be a period of time before we are able to fully deploy our resources in the Knoxville MSA, our start up costs, including the cost of our associates and our branch expansion, will negatively impact our results of operations. In addition, if we are not able to expand our branch footprint in the Knoxville MSA in the time period that we have targeted, our results of operations may be negatively impacted. Execution of our growth plans in the Knoxville MSA also depends on continued growth in the Knoxville economy, and continued unfavorable local or national economic conditions could reduce our growth rate, affect the ability of our customers to repay their obligations to us and generally negatively affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Our ability to maintain required capital levels and adequate sources of funding and liquidity could be impacted by changes in the capital markets and deteriorating economic and market conditions.

We, and Pinnacle National, are required to maintain certain capital levels established by banking regulations or specified by bank regulators. We must also maintain adequate funding sources in the normal course of business to support our operations and fund outstanding liabilities. Our ability to maintain capital levels, sources of funding and liquidity could be impacted by changes in the capital markets in which we operate and deteriorating economic and market conditions. In addition, we have from time to time supported our capital position with the issuance of trust preferred securities. The trust preferred market has deteriorated significantly since the second half of 2007 and it is unlikely that we would be able to issue trust preferred securities in the future on terms consistent with our previous issuances, if at all.

Failure by our bank subsidiary to meet applicable capital guidelines or to satisfy certain other regulatory requirements could subject our bank subsidiary to a variety of enforcement remedies available to the federal regulatory authorities. These include limitations on the ability to pay dividends, the issuance by the regulatory authority of a capital directive to increase capital, and the termination of deposit insurance by the FDIC.

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Noncore funding represents a large component of our funding base.

In addition to the traditional core deposits, such as demand deposit accounts, interest checking, money market savings and certificates of deposits, we utilize several noncore funding sources, such as brokered certificates of deposit, Federal Home Loan Bank, or FHLB, of Cincinnati advances, federal funds purchased and other sources. We utilize these noncore funding sources to fund the ongoing operations and growth of Pinnacle National. The availability of these noncore funding sources are subject to broad economic conditions and, as such, the cost of funds may fluctuate significantly and/or be restricted at, thus impacting our net interest income, our immediate liquidity and/or our access to additional liquidity.

Brokered certificates of deposit have received scrutiny from regulators in recent months. We impose upon ourselves limitations as to the absolute level of brokered deposits we may have on our balance sheet at any point in time. The pricing of these deposits are subject to the broader wholesale funding market and may fluctuate significantly in a very short period of time. Additionally, the availability of these deposits is impacted by overall market conditions as investors determine whether to invest in less risky certificates of deposit or in riskier debt and equity markets. As money flows between these various investment instruments, market conditions will impact the pricing and availability of brokered funds, which may negatively impact our liquidity and cost of funds.

The financial media has disclosed that the nation's FHLB system may be under stress due to deterioration in the financial markets. The capital positions of several FHLB institutions have deteriorated to the point that they may suspend dividend payments to their members. Pinnacle National is a member of the FHLB of Cincinnati which continues to pay dividends. However, should financial conditions continue to weaken, the FHLB system (including the FHLB of Cincinnati) in the future may have to, not only suspend dividend payments, but also curtail advances to member institutions, like Pinnacle National.

Should the FHLB system deteriorate to the point of not being able to fund future advances to banks, including Pinnacle National, this would place increased pressure on other wholesale funding sources. We impose certain internal limits as to the absolute level of noncore funding we will incur at any point in time. Should we exceed those limitations, we may need to modify our growth plans, liquidate certain assets, participate loans to correspondents or execute other actions to allow for us to return to an acceptable level of noncore funding within a reasonable amount of time.

If the federal funds rate remains at current extremely low levels, our net interest margin, and consequently our net earnings, may continue to be negatively impacted.

Because of significant competitive deposit pricing pressures in our market and the negative impact of these pressures on our cost of funds, coupled with the fact that a significant portion of our loan portfolio has variable rate pricing that moves in concert with changes to the Federal Reserve Board of Governors federal funds rate (which is at an extremely low rate as a result of the current recession), we experienced net interest margin compression throughout 2008 and in the first half of 2009. Because of these competitive pressures, we were unable to lower the rate that we pay on interest-bearing liabilities to the same extent and as quickly as the yields we charge on interest-earning assets. As a result, our net interest margin, and consequently our profitability, has been negatively impacted. We have recently taken various actions which improved our net interest margin in the third quarter of 2009. If the Federal Reserve Board of Governors federal funds rate remains at extremely low levels for a prolonged period, our higher funding costs may cause our net interest margin to be lower than other institutions.

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Fluctuations in interest rates could reduce our profitability.

The absolute level of interest rates as well as changes in interest rates may affect our level of interest income, the primary component of our gross revenue, as well as the level of our interest expense. Interest rate fluctuations are caused by many factors which, for the most part, are not under our control. For example, national monetary policy plays a significant role in the determination of interest rates.

Additionally, competitor pricing and the resulting negotiations that occur with our customers also impact the rates we collect on loans and the rates we pay on deposits.

As interest rates change, we expect that we will periodically experience gaps in the interest rate sensitivities of our assets and liabilities, meaning that either our interest-bearing liabilities will be more sensitive to changes in market interest rates than our interest-earning assets, or vice versa. In either event, if market interest rates should move contrary to our position, this gap may work against us, and our earnings may be negatively affected. Changes in the level of interest rates also may negatively affect our ability to originate real estate loans, the value of our assets and our ability to realize gains from the sale of our assets, all of which ultimately affect our earnings. A decline in the market value of our assets may limit our ability to borrow additional funds. As a result, we could be required to sell some of our loans and investments under adverse market conditions, upon terms that are not favorable to us, in order to maintain our liquidity. If those sales are made at prices lower than the amortized costs of the investments, we will incur losses.

A decline in our stock price or expected future cash flows, or a material adverse change in our results of operations or prospects, could result in impairment of our goodwill.

A significant and sustained decline in our stock price and market capitalization below book value, a significant decline in our expected future cash flows, a significant adverse change in the business climate, slower growth rates or other factors could result in impairment of our goodwill. If we were to conclude that a write-down of our goodwill is necessary, then the appropriate charge would likely cause a material loss. Any significant loss would adversely impact the capacity of Pinnacle National to pay dividends to us without seeking prior regulatory approval, which could adversely affect our ability to pay required interest payments and preferred stock dividends.

Competition with other banking institutions could adversely affect our profitability.

A number of banking institutions in the Nashville market have higher lending limits, more banking offices, and a larger market share of loans or deposits. In addition, our asset management division competes with numerous brokerage firms and mutual fund companies which are also much larger. In some respects, this may place these competitors in a competitive advantage, although many of our customers have selected us because of service quality concerns at the larger enterprises. This competition may limit or reduce our profitability, reduce our growth and adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

Loss of our senior executive officers or other key employees could impair our relationship with our customers and adversely affect our business.

We have assembled a senior management team which has substantial background and experience in banking and financial services in the Nashville market. Loss of these key personnel could negatively impact our earnings because of their skills, customer relationships and/or the potential difficulty of promptly replacing them.

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The limitations on bonuses, retention awards, severance payments and incentive compensation contained in ARRA may adversely affect our ability to retain our highest performing employees.

For so long as any equity securities that we issued to the U.S. Treasury under the CPP remain outstanding, ARRA restricts bonuses, retention awards, severance payments and other incentive compensation payable to our five senior executive officers and up to the next 20 highest paid employees. It is possible that we may be unable to create a compensation structure that permits us to retain our highest performing employees or recruit additional employees, especially if we are competing against institutions that are not subject to the same restrictions. If this were to occur, our business and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

Our business is dependent on technology, and an inability to invest in technological improvements may adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

The financial services industry is undergoing rapid technological changes with frequent introductions of new technology-driven products and services. In addition to better serving customers, the effective use of technology increases efficiency and enables financial institutions to reduce costs. We have made significant investments in data processing, management information systems and internet banking accessibility. Our future success will depend in part upon our ability to create additional efficiencies in our operations through the use of technology, particularly in light of our past and projected growth strategy. Many of our competitors have substantially greater resources to invest in technological improvements. We cannot make assurances that our technological improvements will increase our operational efficiency or that we will be able to effectively implement new technology-driven products and services or be successful in marketing these products and services to our customers.

We are subject to various statutes and regulations that may impose additional costs or limit our ability to take certain actions.

We operate in a highly regulated industry and are subject to examination, supervision, and comprehensive regulation by various regulatory agencies. Our compliance with these regulations is costly and restricts certain of our activities, including payment of dividends, mergers and acquisitions, investments, loans and interest rates charged, interest rates paid on deposits and locations of offices. We are also subject to capital guidelines established by our regulators, which require us to maintain adequate capital to support our growth. Recent bank and thrift closures have depleted the Deposit Insurance Fund, and we were assessed a \$2.3 million special assessment in the second quarter of 2009. It is possible that our assessments may increase in the future. Any future assessment increases could negatively impact our results of operations. The laws and regulations applicable to the banking industry could change at any time, and we cannot predict the effects of these changes on our business and profitability. Because government regulation greatly affects the business and financial results of all commercial banks and bank holding companies, our cost of compliance could adversely affect our ability to operate profitably.

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Period	Total Number of Shares Repurchased (1)	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
July 1, 2009 to July 31, 2009		\$		
August 1, 2009 to August 31, 2009	650	15.12		
September 1, 2009 to September 30, 2009				
Total	650	\$ 15.12		

(1) During the quarter ended September 30, 2009, 5,345 shares of restricted stock previously awarded to certain of our associates vested. We withheld 650 shares to satisfy tax withholding requirements for these associates.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

Not applicable

ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

None

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

- 31.1 Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a)
- 31.2 Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a)

32.1	Certification pursuant to 18 USC Section 1350	Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
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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, thereunto duly authorized.

PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC.

/s/ M. Terry Turner

October 28, 2009

M. Terry Turner
President and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Harold R. Carpenter

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