# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

## $\mathbf{x}$ <br> ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 <br> For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005

OR

TRANSITIONAL REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from $\qquad$ to $\qquad$ .

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 000-30517

# AMERICAN COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. 

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NORTH CAROLINA
(State or Other Jurisdiction of

Incorporation or Organization)

56-2179531
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

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CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA<br>(Address of Principal Executive Offices)<br>(Zip Code)<br>Registrant s Telephone number, including area code: (704) 225-8444

## Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act <br> NONE <br> Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

## COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$1.00 PER SHARE

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. .. Yes x No Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. "Yes x No

Note Checking the box above will not relieve any registrant required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act from their obligations under those Sections.

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. x Yes " No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the registrant s knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form $10-\mathrm{K}$ or any amendment to this Form $10-\mathrm{K}$ *

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

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer " Non-accelerated filer x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). " Yes x No

State the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the price at which the common equity was last sold, or the average bid and asked price of such common equity, as of the last business day of the registrant s most recently completed second fiscal quarter. \$73,740,000

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant $s$ classes of Common Stock as of the latest practicable date. 6,853,240 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of December 31, 2005:

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None.

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## PART 1

## ITEM 1 BUSINESS

## Who We Are

American Community Bancshares, Inc. ( Bancshares ) is a bank holding company that owns all of the common stock of American Community Bank ( American Community or the Bank ) a state chartered commercial bank that is insured by the Bank Insurance Fund of the FDIC. Bancshares was incorporated on February 16, 2000 as a North Carolina-chartered corporation and became the holding company for American Community on April 28, 2000. To become American Community s holding company, Bancshares received approval of the Federal Reserve Board as well as American Community s shareholders. Upon receiving such approvals, each share of the common stock of American Community was exchanged on a one-for-one basis for shares of the common stock of Bancshares. Bancshares acquired FNB Bancshares, Inc. and its subsidiary bank First National Bank of the Carolinas ( First National ) based in Gaffney, South Carolina on April 15, 2004. First National shareholders could elect to receive $\$ 22.64$ in cash for each share of First National stock they owned, exchange each share of First National stock for 1.6347 shares of American Community Bancshares, Inc. stock, or a combination of stock and cash. As a result of the combination, the Company paid $\$ 7.1$ million for shares exchanged for cash and issued 617,343 additional shares of stock. First National was merged into American Community on April 1, 2005.

Since opening in November of 1998, we have accomplished the following:

Assembled a management team consisting of bankers from our local markets who each have over 20 years of banking experience;

Assembled an experienced and diverse board of directors that provides strategic expertise unique to a community bank of our size;

Opened eight full service banking offices throughout Union County and Mecklenburg County, home of Charlotte, one of North Carolina s largest and fastest growing metropolitan areas;

Implemented investment brokerage services through an agreement with Smith Barney;

Augmented our capital base through a local, best-efforts common stock offering of $\$ 1.3$ million in early 2001, the private placement of $\$ 3.5$ million of trust preferred securities in late 2001 and early 2002, an additional public offering of units (which consisted of one share of stock and one warrant to buy stock) of $\$ 8.1$ million in April 2002, an additional $\$ 10.0$ million in trust preferred securities in December 2003; and an additional $\$ 10.4$ million in additional capital from the exercise of warrants which expired in April of 2005.

Listed our common stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market on July 17, 2001 under the symbol ACBA;

Developed a local identity in the communities we serve by sponsoring a wide variety of civic and charitable events;

Completed the acquisition of FNB Bancshares, Inc. and its subsidiary, First National Bank of the Carolinas, Gaffney, SC, thus giving us entry into South Carolina which borders our market area to the south and providing three branches in Cherokee County, SC;

Opened two new branches in the South End area of Charlotte and Tega Cay, SC providing the organization a total of thirteen branches throughout North and South Carolina.

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The Bank operates for the primary purpose of serving the banking needs of individuals, and small to medium-sized businesses in our market areas. While numerous banks in our market have chosen to focus on the affluent and high net worth individuals, we have chosen to focus on middle income households and the entrepreneurial segment of our market. We offer a wide range of banking services including checking, certificates of deposit and savings accounts, commercial, consumer and personal loans, mortgage, accounts receivable financing and leasing services and other associated financial services.

## Our Market Area

We consider our primary market area to be the Southern Piedmont area of North Carolina, including Union, Mecklenburg and adjoining counties, and Cherokee and York Counties of South Carolina. The Bank serves our market area through thirteen full service branch locations including a Wal-Mart Superstore branch in Monroe, which is open seven days a week to offer even more convenience to our customers. The Bank s customers may access various banking services through ATMs owned by the Bank and ATMs owned by others, through debit cards, and through the Bank s automated telephone and online banking products.

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Union County had an estimated 2005 population of 160,000 and Mecklenburg County an estimated population of 830,000 . Both counties have a balanced and diversified economy. Monroe, with a population of approximately 30,000 , is the largest city in Union County. Charlotte, with a population of approximately 633,000 , is Mecklenburg County s and North Carolina s largest city. Union County is currently one of the fastest growing counties in North Carolina. Charlotte has consistently been one of the fastest growing areas of the Southeast and is ranked $26^{\text {th }}$ in US population. The most recent unemployment rate was $4.3 \%$ for Union County and $4.1 \%$ for Mecklenburg County; both lower than the North Carolina state rate of $4.7 \%$. Union County has an estimated labor force of 80,200 and Mecklenburg County has 425,600 . Cherokee County has an estimated population of 54,000 and an estimated growth rate of $4 \%$. York County has an estimated population of 170,000 , is one of the fastest growing counties in South Carolina, and ranked $4^{\text {th }}$ in per capita income in South Carolina.

## Strategy

American Community has expanded aggressively since opening for business in November 1998. Because of its strong capital position created during its incorporation stage, American Community had the requisite capital needed to permit it to immediately establish branch offices. American Community s branching strategy is opportunistic: it has established branch offices in growing areas within Union and Mecklenburg Counties where there are opportunities to hire successful local bankers who have a loyal following of deposit and loan customers. To date we have centered each of our branch offices around such a local and experienced banker. Management also believes it is important in the early formation years to build branches that will provide convenience and efficiencies in its operational infrastructure. Charlotte is a highly competitive banking market with many competitors including money center, super-regional and community banks. American Community s strategy is to develop a branch network surrounding Charlotte and to take advantage of opportunities that present themselves in both new geographic and new product markets. American Community reorganized itself into the holding company form of organization to give it the greatest legal flexibility to take advantage of any opportunities that might arise. We will continue to search for opportunities, either for de novo branching, branch purchase or whole bank acquisitions, to complete our encirclement of the growing Charlotte market by progressing in either a south and west or north and west direction. The acquisition of First National Bank of the Carolinas provided us the opportunity to expand across the South Carolina state line into York County, the second fastest growing county in South Carolina. In addition, we will remain open to opportunistic expansion through acquisition of additional whole banks in other growing metropolitan areas of North Carolina and South Carolina if the acquisition enhances shareholder value and there exists synergies of operations and compatible corporate culture (i.e. a community bank serving a community s needs).

## Lending Activities

General. The Bank provides to its customers a full range of short- to medium-term commercial, agricultural, Small Business Administration guaranteed, mortgage, construction and personal loans, both secured and unsecured. The Bank also makes real estate mortgage and construction loans. The Bank has maintained a good balance between variable and fixed rate loans within its portfolio. Variable rate loans accounted for $59 \%$ of the loan balances outstanding at December 31, 2005 while fixed rate loans accounted for $41 \%$ of the balances.

The Bank s loan policies and procedures establish the basic guidelines governing its lending operations. Generally, the guidelines address the types of loans that the Bank seeks, target markets, underwriting and collateral requirements, terms, interest rate and yield considerations and compliance with laws and regulations. All loans or credit lines are subject to approval procedures and amount limitations. These limitations apply to the borrower s total outstanding indebtedness to the Bank, including the indebtedness of any guarantor. The policies are reviewed and approved at least annually by the Board of Directors of the Bank. The Bank supplements its own supervision of the loan underwriting and approval process with periodic loan audits by external loan examiners experienced in loan review work. The Bank has focused its portfolio lending activities on typically higher yielding commercial, construction and consumer loans.

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Loan Composition. The following table sets forth at the dates indicated the Bank s loan portfolio composition by type of loan:

|  | 2005 |  |  | 2004 |  |  | 2003 |  |  | 2002 |  |  | 2001 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Amount | Percent |  | Amount | Percent |  | Amount ollars in T | Percent ousands) |  | Amount | Percent |  | Amount | Percent |
| Real estate - mortgage loans: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-4 family | \$ | 28,933 | 8.70\% | \$ | 27,161 | 8.81\% | \$ | 15,894 | 7.77\% | \$ | 12,426 | 7.52\% | \$ | 10,329 | 7.32\% |
| Commercial mortgage |  | 84,694 | 25.45\% |  | 84,621 | 27.47\% |  | 80,395 | 39.32\% |  | 58,237 | 35.24\% |  | 54,305 | 38.47\% |
| Construction/development |  | 44,037 | 13.24\% |  | 39,844 | 12.93\% |  | 28,469 | 13.92\% |  | 25,079 | 15.18\% |  | 13,692 | 9.70\% |
| Home equity lines of credit |  | 27,732 | 8.33\% |  | 24,575 | 7.98\% |  | 16,526 | 8.08\% |  | 14,643 | 8.86\% |  | 12,996 | 9.20\% |
| Commercial and industrial loans |  | 97,197 | 29.21\% | Commercial and industrial |  |  |  | 41,121 | 20.11\% |  | 33,313 | 20.16\% |  | 39,249 | 27.80\% |
| Loans to individuals |  | 35,941 | 10.80\% |  | 30,813 | 10.00\% |  | 8,672 | 4.25\% |  | 9,990 | 6.05\% |  | 9,809 | 6.95\% |
| Lease financing, net |  | 14,193 | 4.27\% |  | 15,177 | 4.93\% |  | 13,397 | 6.55\% |  | 11,548 | 6.99\% |  | 795 | 0.56\% |
| Subtotal |  | 332,727 | 100.00\% |  | 308,102 | 100.00\% |  | 204,474 | 100.00\% |  | 165,236 | 100.00\% |  | 141,175 | 100.00\% |
| Less: allowance for loan losses |  | $(4,331)$ |  |  | $(3,488)$ |  |  | $(2,529)$ |  |  | $(2,375)$ |  |  | $(1,736)$ |  |
| Plus: net unamortized deferred fees and costs |  | (20) |  |  | (114) |  |  | 59 |  |  | 130 |  |  | 92 |  |
| Total |  | 328,376 |  |  | 304,500 |  |  | 202,004 |  |  | 162,991 |  |  | 139,531 |  |

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The following table sets forth the contractual maturity of loans at December 31, 2005:

|  | Greater than |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | One Year | One Year |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Through |  | re Than |  |
|  | Or Less | 5 Years 5 Years(Dollars in thousands) |  |  |  | Total |
| Real estate mortgage loans: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-4 family | \$ 10,294 | \$ | 15,113 | \$ | 3,526 | \$ 28,933 |
| Commercial mortgage | 19,829 |  | 59,996 |  | 4,869 | 84,694 |
| Construction/development | 31,383 |  | 12,378 |  | 276 | 44,037 |
| Home equity lines of credit | 54 |  | 2,963 |  | 24,715 | 27,732 |
| Commercial and industrial loans | 54,046 |  | 40,971 |  | 2,180 | 97,197 |
| Loans to individuals | 17,865 |  | 16,518 |  | 1,558 | 35,941 |
| Lease financing, net | 1,287 |  | 12,906 |  |  | 14,193 |
| Total | \$ 134,758 | \$ | 160,845 | \$ | 37,124 | \$ 332,727 |

The following table sets forth loans with fixed and variable rates having contractual maturities greater than one year at December 31, 2005:

|  | Fixed | Variable |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Rate | Rate <br> (Dollars in thousands) |  |
| Real estate mortgage loans | $\$ 59,214$ | $\$ 36,944$ | $\$$ |

Real Estate Loans. Real estate loans are made for purchasing, constructing and refinancing one-to-four family, five or more family and commercial properties. The Bank offers fixed and adjustable rate options, but typically limits the maximum fixed rate term to five years. The Bank provides customers access to long-term conventional real estate loans through its mortgage loan department, which makes loans for the account of third parties.

Residential one-to-four family loans amounted to $\$ 28.93$ million at December 31, 2005. The Bank s residential mortgage loans are typically construction loans that convert into permanent financing and are secured by properties located within the Bank s market areas. Most of the permanent one-to-four family residential mortgage loans that the Bank originates are for the account of third parties. Such loans are closed by the third party and therefore are not shown in the Bank s financial statements. The Bank receives a fee for each such loan originated, with such fees aggregating $\$ 384,633$ for the year ended December 31, 2005. The Bank anticipates that it will continue to be an active originator of residential loans for the account of third parties.

The Bank has made, and anticipates continuing to make, commercial real estate loans. Commercial real estate loans equaled $\$ 84.69$ million at December 31, 2005. This lending has involved loans secured principally by owner occupied commercial buildings for office, storage and warehouse space. The Bank requires the personal guaranty of borrowers and a demonstrated cash flow capability sufficient to service the debt. Loans secured by commercial real estate may be larger in size and may involve a greater degree of risk than one-to-four family residential mortgage loans. Payments on such loans are often dependent on successful operation or management of the properties.

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Another of the Bank s primary lending focus is construction/development lending with balances outstanding as of December 31, 2005 of $\$ 44.04$ million. The Bank originates one to four family residential construction loans for the construction of custom homes (where the home buyer is the borrower) and provides financing to builders and

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consumers for the construction of pre-sold homes. The Bank generally receives a pre-arranged permanent financing commitment from an outside banking entity prior to financing the construction of pre-sold homes. The Bank is active in the construction market and on occasion makes construction loans to builders of homes that are not pre-sold, but limits the number of speculative loans to any one builder. This type of lending is only done with local, well established builders and not with large or national tract builders. The Bank lends to builders who have demonstrated a favorable record of performance and profitable operations and who are building in markets that management believes it understands and in which it is comfortable with the economic conditions. The Bank also makes commercial real estate construction loans, primarily for owner-occupied properties. The Bank further endeavors to limit their construction lending risk through adherence to established underwriting procedures. The Bank generally requires documentation of all draw requests and utilizes third party appraisers to inspect the project prior to paying any draw requests from the builder. With few exceptions, the Bank requires personal guarantees and secondary sources of repayment on construction loans.

Commercial Loans. Commercial business lending is also a focus of the Bank slending activities. At December 31, 2005, the Bank scommercial loan portfolio equaled $\$ 97.20$ million. Commercial loans include both secured and unsecured loans for working capital, expansion, and other business purposes. Short-term working capital loans generally are secured by accounts receivable, inventory and/or equipment. The Bank also makes term commercial loans secured by equipment and real estate. Lending decisions are based on an evaluation of the financial strength, cash flow, management and credit history of the borrower, and the quality of the collateral securing the loan. With few exceptions, the Bank requires personal guarantees and secondary sources of repayment. Commercial loans generally provide greater yields and reprice more frequently than other types of loans, such as real estate loans. More frequent repricing means that yields on our commercial loans adjust with changes in interest rates.

Loans to Individuals and Home Equity Lines of Credit. Loans to individuals (consumer loans) include automobile loans, boat and recreational vehicle financing, home equity and home improvement loans and miscellaneous secured and unsecured personal loans. Consumer loans generally can carry significantly greater risks than other loans, even if secured, if the collateral consists of rapidly depreciating assets such as automobiles and equipment. Repossessed collateral securing a defaulted consumer loan may not provide an adequate source of repayment of the loan. Consumer loan collections are sensitive to job loss, illness and other personal factors. The Bank attempts to manage the risks inherent in consumer lending by following established credit guidelines and underwriting practices designed to minimize risk of loss.

Leasing. The Bank offers lease financing primarily to small businesses in our local market. The type of lease financing is generally limited to heavy machinery, manufacturing equipment, and specific vehicles. The leases are structured as to provide no residual risk to the Bank. The leasing division also requires personal guarantees on the majority of our leases. In December 2002, the Bank purchased a leasing portfolio of approximately $\$ 6.5$ million from a company whose management team then joined the Bank. Approximately $\$ 532,000$ of the purchased portfolio is still outstanding at December 31, 2005. The division s professional staff with over 32 years of combined leasing experience in our market enhances the ability of the Bank to offer our customers a complete line of financial products.

Other Loan Products. The Bank is an active home mortgage originator and several of our offices have trained lending personnel to originate home mortgage loans for the account of third parties. We currently have four lending relationships to which we sell all home mortgages to enable us to satisfy special lending requests of our borrowing customers. The Bank offers a credit card on an agency basis as an accommodation to its customers. The Bank assumes none of the underwriting risk.

Loan Approvals. The Bank s loan policies and procedures establish the basic guidelines governing its lending operations. Generally, the guidelines address the type of loans that the Bank seeks, target markets, underwriting and collateral requirements, terms, interest rate and yield considerations and compliance with laws and regulations. All loans or credit lines are subject to approval procedures and amount limitations. These limitations apply to the borrower stotal outstanding indebtedness to the Bank, including the indebtedness of any guarantor. The policies are reviewed and approved at least annually by the Board of Directors of the Bank. The Bank supplements its own supervision of the loan underwriting and approval process with periodic loan audits by independent, outside professionals experienced in loan review work.

Responsibility for loan review and loan underwriting resides with the Chief Lending Officer. He is responsible for loan processing, loan underwriting and approval. On an annual basis, the Board of Directors of the Bank determines the President slending authority, who then delegates lending authorities to the Chief Lending Officer and other lending officers of the Bank. Delegated authorities may include loans, letters of credit, overdrafts, uncollected funds and such other authorities as determined by the Board of Directors or the President within his delegated authority.

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The President of American Community, and the Chief Lending Officer each have the authority to approve loans up to the lending limit set by the Board of Directors, which was $\$ 1,000,000$ and $\$ 500,000$, respectively, at December 31, 2005. All loans above the lending limit of the President are reviewed and approved by the Loan Committee, which consists of the President and eight outside directors. In addition, the Chief Lending Officer serves as a non-voting member. At December 31, 2005, the Loan Committee had the authority to approve loans up to $\$ 1,500,000$. All loans above the lending limit of the Loan Committee are reviewed and approved by the full Board of Directors. The Bank s legal lending limit was $\$ 6.1$ million at December 31, 2005. The Bank seldom makes loans approaching its legal lending limit.

## Non-performing Assets

The table sets forth, for the period indicated, information about our non-accrual loans, restructured loans, total non-performing loans (non-accrual loans plus restructured loans), and total non-performing assets.

|  | 2005 | 2004 (D) |  | cember 31 2003 <br> in thousa | s) 2002 | 2001 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Non-accrual loans | \$ 951 | \$ 881 | \$ | 330 | \$ 580 | \$ 930 |
| Restructured loans |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total non-performing loans | 951 | 881 |  | 330 | 580 | 930 |
| Foreclosed real estate and other repossessed assets | 479 | 311 |  | 157 | 463 | 94 |
| Total non-performing assets | \$ 1,430 | \$ 1,192 | \$ | 487 | \$ 1,043 | \$ 1,024 |
| Accruing loans past due 90 days or more | \$ 1,402 | \$ 1,117 | \$ | 597 | \$ 684 | \$ 56 |
| Allowance for loan losses | 4,331 | 3,488 |  | 2,529 | 2,375 | 1,736 |
| Non-performing loans to period end loans | 0.29\% | 0.29\% |  | 0.16\% | 0.35\% | 0.66\% |
| Allowance for loan losses to period end loans | 1.30\% | 1.13\% |  | 1.24\% | 1.44\% | 1.23\% |
| Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans | 455\% | 396\% |  | 766\% | 409\% | 187\% |
| Non-performing assets to total assets | 0.33\% | 0.30\% |  | 0.17\% | 0.48\% | 0.56\% |

The financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting, including the recognition of interest income on loans, unless a loan is placed on non-accrual basis. Loans are accounted for on a non-accrual basis when there are serious doubts about the collectibility of principal or interest. Loans are placed on non-accrual status in cases where there is uncertainty as to whether the borrower can satisfy the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Amounts received on non-accrual loans generally are applied first to principal and then to interest only after all principal has been collected. Restructured loans are those for which concessions, including the reduction of interest rates below a rate otherwise available to that borrower or the deferral of interest or principal, have been granted due to the borrower s weakened financial condition. Interest on restructured loans is accrued at the restructured rates when it is anticipated that no loss of original principal will occur. Potential problem loans are loans which are currently performing and are not included in non-accrual or restructured loans above, but about which we have serious doubts as to the borrower $s$ ability to comply with present repayment terms. These loans are likely to be included later in non-accrual, past due or restructured loans, so they are considered by management in assessing the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses. At December 31, 2005, no major loans had been identified as potential problem loans.

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At December 31, 2005, the Bank had $\$ 951,094$ in non-accrual loans. Interest foregone on non-accrual loans was approximately $\$ 26,000$ for the year ended December 31, 2005 and $\$ 42,000$ for the year ended December 31, 2004.

Other real estate owned consists of foreclosed properties. At December 31, 2005, foreclosed real estate and other repossessed assets totaled $\$ 478,758$ or . $11 \%$ of total assets, and consisted of four residences and eight vehicles. At December 31, 2004, foreclosed real estate and other repossessed assets totaled $\$ 311,000$ or $.08 \%$ of total assets, and consisted of six single-family residences.

## Analysis of Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is established through charges to earnings in the form of a provision for loan losses. The allowance for loan losses is increased by provisions charged to operations and by recoveries of amounts previously charged off, and reduced by loans charged off. The adequacy of the allowance is evaluated at least quarterly. In evaluating the adequacy of the allowance, the growth, composition and industry diversification of the portfolio, historical loan loss experience, current delinquency levels, adverse situations that may affect a borrower s ability to repay, estimated value of any underlying collateral, prevailing economic conditions and other relevant factors are all considered. In addition, regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the allowance for loan losses and may require adjustments to the allowance for loan losses based upon judgments different from those of management.

The Bank uses a risk grading program to facilitate the evaluation of probable inherent loan losses and the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses. In this program, risk grades are initially assigned by loan officers, reviewed by Credit Administration, and reviewed by a third party. The Bank strives to maintain the loan portfolio in accordance with conservative loan underwriting policies that result in loans specifically tailored to the needs of the Bank s market area. Every effort is made to identify and minimize the credit risks associated with such lending strategies. The Bank has no foreign loans and does not engage in highly leveraged transactions.

The Bank follows a loan review program designed to evaluate the credit risk in the loan portfolio. Through this loan review process, an internally classified watch list that helps management assess the overall quality of the loan portfolio and the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses is maintained. In establishing the appropriate classification for specific assets, management considers, among other factors, the estimated value of the underlying collateral, the borrower s ability to repay, the borrower s payment history and the current delinquent status. As a result of this process, certain loans are categorized as substandard, doubtful or loss and reserves are allocated based on management $s$ judgment and historical experience.

Loans classified as substandard are those loans with clear and defined weaknesses such as unfavorable financial ratios, uncertain repayment sources or poor financial condition that may jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the Bank will sustain some losses if the deficiencies are not corrected. Loans classified as doubtful are those loans that have characteristics similar to substandard loans but with an increased risk that collection or liquidation in full is highly questionable and improbable. Loans classified as loss are considered uncollectible and of such little value that their continuance as assets is not warranted. This classification does not mean that the loan has absolutely no recovery or salvage value but rather it is not practical or desirable to defer writing off this asset even though partial recovery may be achieved in the future. As a practical matter, when loans are identified as loss they are charged off against the allowance for loan losses. In addition to the above classification categories, loans are also categorized based upon risk grade and loan type, assigning an allowance allocation based upon each category.

Growth in loans outstanding has been the primary reason for increases in the allowance for loan losses and the resultant provisions for loan losses necessary to provide for those increases. This growth has been spread among the major loan categories, with the concentrations of major loan categories being relatively consistent in recent years. Between December 31, 2001 and December 31, 2005, the range of each major category of loans as a percentage of total loans outstanding is as follows: 1-4 family mortgage loans $7 \%$ to $9 \%$, commercial mortgage loans $25 \%$ to $39 \%$, construction/development real estate loans $10 \%$ to $15 \%$; home equity loans $-8 \%$ to $9 \%$; commercial and industrial loans - $20 \%$ to $29 \%$; loans to individuals $-4 \%$ to $11 \%$; and lease financing - $4 \%$ to $7 \%$. For all full fiscal years through 2005 , loan loss experience was similar to that of other banks our age, with net loan charge-offs in each year no greater than $0.35 \%$ of average loans outstanding. The allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2005 of

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$\$ 4.3$ million represents $1.3 \%$ of total loans and $455 \%$ of non-performing loans. The increase in both the provision for loan losses and the increase in the allowance for loan losses in 2005 is primarily attributable to the increase in non-performing leases.

The allowance for loan losses represents management s estimate of an amount adequate to provide for known and inherent losses in the loan portfolio in the normal course of business. Specific allowances are made that are allocated to certain individual loans and pools of loans based on risk characteristics. While management believes that it uses the best information available to establish the allowance for loan losses, future adjustments to the allowance may be necessary and results of operations could be adversely affected if circumstances differ substantially from the assumptions used in making the determinations. Furthermore, while the Bank believes it has established the allowance for loan losses in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, there can be no assurance that regulators, in reviewing the portfolio, will not require adjustments to the allowance for loan losses. In addition, because future events affecting borrowers and collateral cannot be predicted with certainty, there can be no assurance that the existing allowance for loan losses is adequate or that increases will not be necessary should the quality of any loans deteriorate as a result of the factors discussed herein. Any material increase in the allowance for loan losses may adversely affect the financial condition and results of operations of Bancshares.

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The following table describes the allocation of the allowance for loan losses among various categories of loans and certain other information for the dates indicated. The allocation is made for analytical purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of the categories in which future losses may occur.

|  | 2005 |  | 2004 |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { At December 31, } \\ 2003 \end{gathered}$ |  | 2002 |  |  | 2001 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Amount | Loans (1) | Amount | Loans (1) | Amount (Dollars in | Loans (1) thousands) |  | ount | Loans (1) | Amount | Loans (1) |
| Real estate loans | \$ 2,155 | 47.39\% | \$ 2,149 | 49.21\% | \$ 1,283 | 61.01\% | \$ | 994 | 57.94\% | \$ 796 | 55.49\% |
| Home equity lines of credit | 137 | 8.33\% | 72 | 7.98\% | 50 | 8.08\% |  | 42 | 8.86\% | 79 | 9.20\% |
| Commercial and industrial loans | 929 | 29.21\% | 731 | 27.88\% | 676 | 20.11\% |  | 970 | 20.16\% | 679 | 27.80\% |
| Loans to individuals | 215 | 10.80\% | 232 | 10.00\% | 162 | 4.25\% |  | 219 | 6.05\% | 182 | 6.95\% |
| Lease financing, net | 895 | 4.27\% | 304 | 4.93\% | 358 | 6.55\% |  | 150 | 6.99\% |  | 0.56\% |
| Total | \$4,331 | 100.00\% | \$ 3,488 | 100.00\% | \$ 2,529 | 100.00\% |  | ,375 | 100.00\% | \$ 1,736 | 100.00\% |

${ }^{(1)}$ Represents total of all outstanding loans in each category as a percent of total loans outstanding.

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The following table presents for the periods indicated information regarding changes in the allowance for loan losses:

|  | 2005 |  | At or for the Years Ended December 31, $2004 \quad 2003 \quad 2002$ |  |  |  |  |  | 2001 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balance at beginning of period | \$ | 3,488 | \$ | 2,529 | \$ | 2,375 | \$ | 1,736 | \$ | 1,385 |
| Charge-offs: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Real estate loans |  |  |  | 51 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Home equity lines of credit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commercial and industrial loans |  | 8 |  | 211 |  | 598 |  | 298 |  | 156 |
| Lease financing, net |  | 28 |  | 24 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans to individuals |  | 45 |  | 54 |  | 67 |  | 16 |  | 40 |
| Total charge-offs |  | 81 |  | 340 |  | 665 |  | 314 |  | 196 |
| Recoveries: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Real estate loans |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Home equity lines of credit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commercial and industrial loans |  | 100 |  | 12 |  | 35 |  | 34 |  |  |
| Lease financing, net |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans to individuals |  | 11 |  | 27 |  |  |  | 4 |  | 4 |
| Total recoveries |  | 115 |  | 40 |  | 35 |  | 38 |  | 4 |
| Net charge-offs (recoveries) |  | (34) |  | 300 |  | 630 |  | 276 |  | 192 |
| Allowance acquired from First National merger |  |  |  | 685 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provision for loan losses |  | 809 |  | 574 |  | 784 |  | 915 |  | 543 |
| Balance at end of period | \$ | 4,331 | \$ | 3,488 | \$ | 2,529 | \$ | 2,375 | \$ | 1,736 |
| Total loans outstanding |  | 32,708 |  | 207,988 |  | 04,533 |  | 65,366 |  | 1,126 |
| Average loans outstanding |  | 17,986 |  | 75,011 |  | 82,108 |  | 46,530 |  | 27,486 |
| Allowance for loan losses to total loans outstanding |  | 1.30\% |  | 1.13\% |  | 1.24\% |  | 1.44\% |  | 1.23\% |
| Ratio of net loan charge-offs (recoveries) to average loans outstanding |  | (0.01\%) |  | 0.11\% |  | 0.35\% |  | 0.19\% |  | 0.15\% |

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## Investment Activities

Bancshares portfolio of investment securities, most of which are available for sale, consists of U.S. Government agency, mortgage-backed securities, municipal bonds and other marketable equity securities.

Securities to be held for indefinite periods of time and not intended to be held to maturity are classified as available for sale and carried at fair value with any unrealized gains or losses reflected as an adjustment to stockholders equity. Securities held for indefinite periods of time include securities that management intends to use as part of its asset/liability management strategy and that may be sold in response to changes in interest rates and/or significant prepayment risks.

The following table summarizes the amortized costs, gross unrealized gains and losses and the resulting market value of investment securities:

|  | 2005 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Amortized | Gross | Gross | Fair |
|  |  | Unrealized | Unrealized |  |
|  | Cost | Gains <br> (Dollars | $\begin{gathered} \text { Losses } \\ \text { housands) } \end{gathered}$ | Value |
| Securities available for sale: |  |  |  |  |
| U. S. Government agencies | \$ 15,770 | 21 | \$ 129 | \$ 15,662 |
| Mortgage-backed securities | 42,791 | 16 | 1,082 | 41,725 |
| State and municipal bonds | 4,357 | 17 | 44 | 4,330 |
|  | 62,918 | 54 | 1,255 | 61,717 |
| Marketable equity securities | 407 | 3 |  | 410 |
| Total securities available for sale | \$ 63,325 | 57 | \$ 1,255 | \$ 62,127 |
|  | Amortized Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains (Dollars i | Gross Unrealized Losses housands) | Fair <br> Value |
| Securities held to maturity: |  |  |  |  |
| State and municipal bonds | \$ 2,180 | \$ 8 | \$ 15 | \$ 2,173 |
| Total securities held to maturity | \$ 2,180 | \$ 8 | \$ 15 | \$ 2,173 |


|  |  | Gross <br> 2004 | Gross <br> Unreasized <br> Unreasized <br> Lains <br> (Dollars in thousands) | Fair <br> Value |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Cost |  |  |  |  |

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|  |  |  | Gross <br> Amortized <br> Cost | Gross <br> Unrealized <br> Gains <br> (Dollars in thousands) | Unrealized <br> Losses | Fair <br> Value |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Securities held to maturity: | $\$ 2,186$ | $\$$ | 12 | $\$$ | 5 | $\$$ | 2,193 |
| State and municipal bonds | $\$ 2,186$ | $\$$ | 12 | $\$$ | 5 | $\$ 2,193$ |  |

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|  | 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Amortized Cost |  | ized <br> s ars in |  |  | Fair <br> Value |
| Securities available for sale: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U. S. Government agencies | \$ 11,308 | \$ | 71 | \$ | 9 | \$ 11,370 |
| Mortgage-backed securities | 38,722 |  | 176 |  | 90 | 38,808 |
| Total securities available for sale | \$ 50,030 | \$ | 247 | \$ | 99 | \$ 50,178 |
|  | Amortized Cost |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ss } \\ & \text { lized } \\ & \text { ns } \\ & \text { lars in } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | Fair <br> Value |
| Securities held to maturity: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| State and municipal bonds | \$ 1,891 | \$ | 9 | \$ | 4 | \$ 1,896 |
| Total securities held to maturity | \$ 1,891 | \$ | 9 | \$ | 4 | \$ 1,896 |

The following table summarizes the amortized cost and recorded market values of investment securities (excluding marketable equity securities) at December 31, 2005, by contractual maturity groups:

|  | Amortized Cost (Dollar | Fair <br> Value <br> in thousan | Book Yield s) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Securities available for sale and held to maturity |  |  |  |
| U S Government agencies |  |  |  |
| Due after one but within five years | \$ 13,919 | \$ 13,830 | 4.58\% |
| Due after five but within ten years | 1,851 | 1,832 | 5.10\% |
|  | 15,770 | 15,662 | 4.64\% |
| Mortgage-backed securities |  |  |  |
| Due after one but within five years | 1,344 | 1,307 | 3.94\% |
| Due after five but within ten years | 9,384 | 9,096 | 4.10\% |
| Due after ten years | 32,063 | 31,322 | 4.43\% |
|  | 42,791 | 41,725 | 4.34\% |
| Municipal bonds |  |  |  |
| Due after five but within ten years | 2,147 | 2,123 | 5.28\% |
| Due after ten years | 4,390 | 4,380 | 5.89\% |
|  | 6,537 | 6,503 | 5.69\% |
| Total investment securities |  |  |  |
| Due after one but within five years | 15,263 | 15,137 | 4.53\% |
| Due after five but within ten years | 13,382 | 13,051 | 4.43\% |
| Due after ten years | 36,453 | 35,702 | 4.61\% |
|  | \$ 65,098 | \$ 63,890 | 4.55\% |

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## Deposit Activities

The Bank provides a range of deposit services, including non-interest bearing checking accounts, interest bearing checking and savings accounts, money market accounts and certificates of deposit. These accounts generally earn interest at rates established by management based on competitive market factors and the desire to increase or decrease certain types or maturities of deposits.

The Bank periodically uses brokered deposits as consistent with asset and liability management policies. At December 31, 2005 the Company had $\$ 19,418,560$ in brokered deposits. We rarely bid on political funds for municipalities as such deposits are extremely rate sensitive and due to fiduciary pressures on government officials, not as stable as regular corporate and individual customers.

The Bank offers a variety of deposit programs to individuals and to small-to-medium size businesses and other organizations at interest rates generally competitive with local market conditions. For some of our corporate customers who require such a service, we provide a courier service for non-cash deposit pickup. The following table sets forth the average balances and rates for each of the deposit categories for the periods indicated:

|  | 2005 |  | Year Ended December 31, 2004 |  | 2003 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Average Balance | Average Rate | Average Balance (Dolla thousa | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Average } \\ & \text { Rate } \\ & \text { rs in } \\ & \text { nds) } \end{aligned}$ | Average Balance | Average Rate |
| Interest bearing NOW, savings, and money market accounts | 82,270 | 1.28\% | \$ 77,548 | 0.74\% | \$ 42,555 | 0.98\% |
| Other time deposits | 87,656 | 3.05\% | 69,551 | 2.87\% | 73,813 | 3.55\% |
| Time deposits greater than \$100,000 | 108,547 | 3.28\% | 92,195 | 3.75\% | 51,493 | 3.83\% |
| Total interest bearing deposits | 278,473 | 2.62\% | 239,294 | 2.52\% | 167,861 | 2.98\% |
| Demand and other non-interest bearing deposits | 53,753 |  | 39,861 |  | 25,015 |  |
| Total average deposits | \$ 332,226 | 2.19\% | \$ 279,155 | 2.26\% | \$ 192,876 | 2.66\% |

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The following table indicates the amount of the Bank scertificates of deposit by interest rate and by time remaining until maturity as of December 31, 2005.

More than three months More than six months

|  | Three months or less |  | to six months |  |  | to one yearDollars in thousands) |  |  | More than one year |  |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Certificates of \$100,000 or more | \$ 28,833 | 3.20\% | \$ | 16,633 | 3.41\% | \$ | 39,305 | 3.68\% | \$ | 29,331 | 4.17\% | \$ 114,102 | 3.65\% |
| Certificates of less than \$100,000 | 17,503 | 2.68\% |  | 14,410 | 3.02\% |  | 30,616 | 3.59\% |  | 25,507 | 3.93\% | 88,036 | 3.41\% |
| Total | \$ 46,336 | 3.00\% | \$ | 31,043 | 3.23\% | \$ | 69,921 | 3.64\% | \$ | 54,838 | 4.06\% | \$ 202,138 | 3.54\% |

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## Borrowings

Borrowed funds consist of advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta ( FHLB ), securities sold under agreement to repurchase, federal funds purchased and obligations under a capitalized lease for the Bank s main office facility. The following table summarizes balance and rate information for borrowed funds as of the dates and for the periods indicated.
$\left.\begin{array}{llcc} & & \begin{array}{c}\text { At or for the Year } \\ \text { Ended December 31, } \\ \text { 2004 }\end{array} & \mathbf{2 0 0 3} \\ \text { (Dollars in thousands) }\end{array}\right)$

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Pursuant to collateral agreements with the FHLB, advances are secured by all of the Company s FHLB stock, investment securities with a carrying value of $\$ 1.0$ million at December 31, 2005, and a blanket lien on qualifying first mortgage loans.

Securities sold under agreement to repurchase are secured by investment securities. The carrying value of the investment securities at December 31, 2005 was $\$ 10.7$ million.

Bancshares also has lines of credit totaling $\$ 24.7$ million from correspondent banks at December 31, 2005.

## Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures

On December 31, 2001 we privately placed 2,000 shares of American Community Capital Trust I $9 \%$ Trust Preferred Securities, having a value of $\$ 2,000,000$. On March 1, 2002, we privately placed an additional 1,500 shares of American Community Capital Trust I 9\% Trust Preferred Securities, having a liquidation value of $\$ 1,500,000$. The trust preferred securities have a dividend yield equal to $9 \%$ of their face value each year and distributions are paid on a quarterly basis. Bancshares source of funds for the required interest payments on the trust preferred securities is interest and dividends payable by the Bank to Bancshares plus proceeds received from additional stock sold by Bancshares. Under the terms of the trust preferred securities, Bancshares is permitted to defer the payment of interest on the trust preferred securities for up to 20 consecutive calendar quarters. The amount of any interest deferred also bears interest and must be paid at such time as funds are available to Bancshares.

During 2003, we formed a special purpose entity organized as a business trust under the laws of the State of Connecticut. This business trust, called American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd was formed in order to allow us to issue trust preferred securities. On December 15, 2003, American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd. issued a floating rate trust preferred security in the amount of $\$ 10,000,000$. The Trust used the proceeds from the issuance of the trust preferred security to acquire a junior subordinated note of the Company. The trust preferred security essentially mirrors the debt security, carrying a floating interest rate based on 3-month LIBOR plus 280 basis points. The initial interest rate in effect at the time of issuance was $3.97 \%$, which is reset on a quarterly basis. The rate as of December 31, 2005 was $6.82 \%$. The securities have a legal maturity of 30 years, and can be called at the Company s option in whole or part after five years.

## Banking Technology

We provide our customers with truncation of their deposit accounts (check imaging), on-line banking and 24 hour telephone banking that permits our depositors to check balances, recently cleared checks and recent deposits. Due to our imaging of all documentation, our customer service representatives can access past statements and paid checks in a matter of seconds, eliminating research fees for our customers and eliminating any waiting time for such research. We implemented Internet banking for our personal customers during the fourth quarter of 2002 and our business Internet banking was implemented in 2003.

The Bank has twelve ATM facilities attached to thirteen of its existing banking offices. The Bank s ATM cards are linked to the nationwide Cirrus ${ }^{\circledR}, \operatorname{Plus}{ }^{\circledR}$ and Star® systems, allowing the Bank s customers to withdraw funds from any ATM honoring these systems.

## Competition

Commercial banking in North Carolina is highly competitive in large part due to early adoption of statewide branching. We compete in our market areas with some of the largest banking organizations in the state and the country and other financial institutions, such as federally and state-chartered savings and loan institutions and credit unions, as well as consumer finance companies, mortgage companies and other lenders engaged in the business of extending credit or taking investment monies such as mutual funds and brokerage firms. Many of our competitors have broader geographic markets and higher lending limits than us and are also able to provide more services and make greater use of media advertising. In Union County, for example, there are currently 34 offices of 9 different commercial banks (including the largest banks in North Carolina). In Mecklenburg County, there are currently 227 offices of 20 different commercial banks (including the largest banks in North Carolina). While we typically do not compete directly for loans with these larger banks, they do influence our deposit products. We do compete more directly with mid-size and small community banks that have offices in our market areas. There are also a number of new community banks in Mecklenburg and Union Counties that have a direct competitive effect as borrowers tend to shop the terms of their loans and deposits.

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The enactment of legislation authorizing interstate banking has caused great increases in the size and financial resources of some of our competitors. In addition, as a result of interstate banking, out-of-state commercial banks have acquired North Carolina banks and heightened the competition among banks in North Carolina. For example, Atlanta, Georgia based SunTrust, a large multi-state financial institution has branches throughout North Carolina, including Mecklenburg County and Regions Bancshares, from Birmingham, Alabama, has recently acquired a community bank in Charlotte.

The banking business is highly competitive in South Carolina as well. American Community competes as a financial intermediary with other commercial banks, savings and loan associations, credit unions, and money market mutual funds operating in the Cherokee County area and elsewhere. In Cherokee County, there are currently 10 offices of 5 different commercial banks. A number of these competitors are well established in the Cherokee County area. Most of them have substantially greater resources and lending limits than the Bank and offer certain services, such as extensive and established branch networks and trust services that we either do not expect to provide or do not currently provide. As a result of these competitive factors, the Bank may have to pay higher rates of interest to attract deposits.

Despite the competition in our market areas, we believe that we have certain competitive advantages that distinguish us from our competition. We believe that our primary competitive advantages are our bankers, each of whom is well known in his or her community with strong personal and business ties to that community with a loyal customer following. Our bankers each have a strong local identity and affiliation with their communities. We offer customers modern banking services without forsaking community values such as prompt, personal service and friendliness. We also have established local advisory boards in certain of our communities to help us better understand their needs and to be ambassadors of the Bank in those communities. We offer many personalized services and attract customers by being responsive and sensitive to their individualized needs. We believe our approach to business builds goodwill among our customers, shareholders, and the communities we serve which results in referrals from shareholders and satisfied customers. We also rely on traditional marketing to attract new customers. To enhance a positive image in the community, we support and participate in local events and our officers and directors serve on boards of local civic and charitable organizations. As an example, American Community was recognized each year from 1999 to 2005 for outstanding contributions to the United Way Campaign for Union County. American Community is very active in the Special Olympics for Union County and has been honored by Special Olympics as Business of the Year for our sponsorship and volunteer efforts.

American Community has also entered into a revenue sharing agreement with Smith Barney, in which the Bank receives revenue for business generated by a broker located in our offices. Currently, a Smith Barney representative is located in our main office but visits all our branch locations periodically when the opportunity arises. As a community service providing a competitive edge, the Bank sponsors small business seminars and features various speakers on topics of interest to growing small businesses. The Bank attempts to bring together in one place a variety of experts to discuss timely issues of importance to business owners regarding such matters as e-commerce, investments, and estate and retirement planning. This social setting also provides small business owners with an opportunity to network with other small business owners in our communities. Further, through its Kidz Club, the Bank offers savings accounts designed for young savers. The Bank has also developed a Senior Citizens account for customers 50 years and older. These products offer free travelers checks, free safe deposit box, interest on daily balances, free wallet-style checks, free quarterly breakfasts with guest speakers and quarterly day trips. American Community also sponsors the quarterly day trips as a way to attract Senior Citizens accounts and to further enhance their loyalty to the Bank.

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## ITEM 1A RISK FACTORS

An investment in the registrant s common stock involves a number of risks. We urge you to read all of the information contained in this annual report on Form 10-K. In addition, we urge you to consider carefully the following factors before you invest in shares of the registrant $s$ common stock.

## We may not be able to maintain and manage our growth, which may adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition and the value of our common stock.

Our strategy has been to increase the size of our company by opening new offices, acquiring other banks and by pursuing business development opportunities. We have grown rapidly since we commenced operations. We can provide no assurance that we will continue to be successful in increasing the volume of loans and deposits at acceptable risk levels and upon acceptable terms while managing the costs and implementation risks associated with our growth strategy. There can be no assurance that our further expansion will be profitable or that we will continue to be able to sustain our historical rate of growth, either through internal growth or through successful expansion of our markets, or that we will be able to maintain capital sufficient to support our continued growth. If we grow too quickly, however, and are not able to control costs and maintain asset quality, rapid growth also could adversely affect our financial performance.

## Changes in interest rates affect our interest margins, which can adversely affect our profitability.

We may not be able to effectively manage changes in interest rates that affect what we charge as interest on our earning assets and the expense we must pay on interest-bearing liabilities, which may significantly reduce our earnings. Since rates charged on our loans often tend to react to market conditions faster than do rates paid on our deposit accounts, these rate cuts have had a negative impact on our earnings until we could make appropriate adjustments in our deposit rates. Fluctuations in interest rates are not predictable or controllable and, therefore, there can be no assurances of our ability to continue to maintain a consistent positive spread between the interest earned on our earning assets and the interest paid on our interest-bearing liabilities.

## Our profitability depends significantly on economic conditions in our market area.

Our success depends to a large degree on the general economic conditions in our market areas. The local economic conditions in these areas have a significant impact on the amount of loans that we make to our borrowers, the ability of our borrowers to repay these loans and the value of the collateral securing these loans. A significant decline in general economic conditions caused by inflation, recession, unemployment or other factors beyond our control would impact these local economic conditions and could negatively affect our financial condition and performance.

## If we lose key employees with significant business contacts in our market area, our business may suffer.

Our success is largely dependent on the personal contacts of our officers and employees in our market area. If we lose key employees temporarily or permanently, our business could be hurt. We could be particularly hurt if our key employees went to work for our competitors. Our future success depends on the continued contributions of our existing senior management personnel.

## If we experience greater loan losses than anticipated, it will have an adverse effect on our net income.

While the risk of nonpayment of loans is inherent in banking, if we experience greater nonpayment levels than we anticipate, our earnings and overall financial condition, as well as the value of our common stock, could be adversely affected.

We cannot assure you that our monitoring procedures and policies will reduce certain lending risks or that our allowance for loan losses will be adequate to cover actual losses. In addition, as a result of the rapid growth in our loan portfolio, loan losses may be greater than management $s$ estimates. Loan losses can cause insolvency and failure of a financial institution and, in such an event, our shareholders could lose their entire investment. In addition, future provisions for loan losses could materially and adversely affect our profitability. Any loan losses will reduce the loan loss allowance. A reduction in the loan loss allowance will be restored by an increase in our provision for loan losses. This would reduce our earnings which could have an adverse effect on our stock price.

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In order to be profitable, we must compete successfully with other financial institutions which have greater resources and capabilities than we do.

The banking business in North Carolina in general is extremely competitive. Most of our competitors are larger and have greater resources than we do and have been in existence a longer period of time. We must overcome historical bank-customer relationships to attract customers away from our competition. We compete with the following types of institutions:

| other commercial banks | securities brokerage firms |
| :--- | :--- |
| savings banks | mortgage brokers |
| thrifts | insurance companies |
| credit unions | mutual funds |
| consumer finance companies | trust companies |

Some of our competitors are not regulated as extensively as we are and, therefore, may have greater flexibility in competing for business. Some of these competitors are subject to similar regulation but have the advantages of larger established customer bases, higher lending limits, extensive branch networks, numerous automated teller machines, greater advertising-marketing budgets or other factors.

Our legal lending limit is determined by law. The size of the loans which we offer to our customers may be less than the size of the loans that larger competitors are able to offer. This limit may affect to some degree our success in establishing relationships with the larger businesses in our market.

## New or acquired branch facilities and other facilities may not be profitable.

We may not be able to correctly identify profitable locations for new branches and the costs to start up new branch facilities or to acquire existing branches, and the additional costs to operate these facilities, may increase our noninterest expense and decrease earnings in the short term. If other banks or branches of other banks become available for sale, we may acquire them. It may be difficult to adequately and profitably manage our growth through the establishment of these branches. In addition, we can provide no assurance that these branch sites will successfully attract enough deposits to offset the expenses of operating these branch sites. Any new or acquired branches will be subject to regulatory approval, and there can be no assurance that we will succeed in securing such approvals.

## Government regulations may prevent or impair our ability to pay dividends, engage in additional acquisitions, or operate in other ways.

Current and future legislation and the policies established by federal and state regulatory authorities will affect our operations. We are subject to supervision and periodic examination by the Federal Reserve Board and the North Carolina Commissioner of Banks. Our principal subsidiary, American Community Bank, as a state chartered commercial bank, also receives regulatory scrutiny from the North Carolina Commissioner of Banks and the FDIC. Banking regulations are designed primarily for the protection of depositors rather than shareholders, and they may limit our growth and the return to you as an investor by restricting its activities, such as:
the payment of dividends to shareholders;
possible transactions with or acquisitions by other institutions;
desired investments;

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loans and interest rates;
interest rates paid on deposits;
the possible expansion of branch offices; and
the ability to provide securities or trust services.
We are registered with the Federal Reserve Board as a bank holding company. We cannot predict what changes, if any, will be made to existing federal and state legislation and regulations or the effect that such changes may have on our business. The cost of compliance with regulatory requirements may adversely affect our ability to operate profitably.

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Our stock trading volume has been low compared with larger bank holding companies.

The trading volume in our common stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market has been comparable to other similarly sized bank holding companies since trading on the Capital Market began in July 2001. Nevertheless, this trading volume does not compare with more seasoned companies listed on other stock exchanges. Thus, the market in our common stock is somewhat limited in scope relative to some other companies. In addition, we can provide no assurance that a more active and liquid trading market for our stock will develop in the future.

Our articles of incorporation include anti-takeover provisions that may prevent shareholders from receiving a premium for their shares or effecting a transaction favored by a majority of shareholders.

Our articles of incorporation include anti-takeover provisions, including a supermajority vote requirement for a merger under certain circumstances as well as a provision allowing our Board of Directors to consider the social and economic effects of a proposed merger. Such provisions may have the effect of preventing shareholders from receiving a premium for their shares of common stock and discouraging a change of control by allowing management to prevent a transaction favored by a majority of the shareholders.

Our securities are not FDIC insured.

Our common stock is not a savings or deposit account or other obligation of the Bank, and is not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency and is subject to investment risk, including the possible loss of principal.

## ITEM 1B UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

Not applicable

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## ITEM 2 - PROPERTIES

The following table sets forth the location of American Community s main office and branch offices, as well as certain information relating to these offices.

|  |  | Approximate | Owned |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Year | Square | or |
| Office Location | Opened | Footage | Leased |
| Main Office | 1999 | 14,774 | Leased |
| 2593 West Roosevelt Boulevard |  |  |  |
| Monroe NC 28110 |  |  |  |
| Indian Trail | 1999 | 3,850 | Leased |
| 13860 East Independence Blvd |  |  |  |
| Indian Trail NC 28079 |  |  |  |
| Sunset | 1999 | 450 | Leased |
| 120 East Sunset Drive |  |  |  |
| Monroe, NC 28111 |  |  |  |
| Wal-Mart Superstore | 2000 | 600 | Leased |
| 2406 West Roosevelt Blvd |  |  |  |
| Monroe NC 28110 |  |  |  |
| Marshville | 2000 | 3,500 | Leased |
| 7001 East Marshville Blvd |  |  |  |
| Marshville NC 28103 |  |  |  |
| Mint Hill | 2000 | 2,500 | Leased |
| 7200 Matthews-Mint Hill Rd |  |  |  |
| Mint Hill NC 28227 |  |  |  |
| Mountain Island | 2000 | 4,500 | Owned |
| 3500 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Rd |  |  |  |
| Charlotte NC 28216 |  |  |  |
| South Park | 2003 | 2,800 | Leased |
| 4500 Cameron Valley Parkway |  |  |  |
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| South End | 2005 | 5,405 | Leased |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2130 South Boulevard |  |  |  |
| Charlotte NC 28203 |  |  |  |
| Gaffney Main | 1999 | 11,000 | Owned |
| 217 N. Granard Street |  |  |  |
| Gaffney S.C. 29341 |  |  |  |
| Blacksburg | 2000 | 2,550 | Owned |
| 207 W. Cherokee Street |  |  |  |
| Blacksburg SC 29702 |  |  |  |
| Chesnee Highway | 2001 | 2,550 | Owned |
| 626 Chesnee Highway |  |  |  |
| Gaffney S.C 29341 |  |  |  |
| Tega Cay | 2005 | 3,082 | Owned |
| 1738 Gold Hill Road |  |  |  |

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In 1999 American Community entered into a Commercial Lease Agreement with TyPar Realty, Inc. for the lease of a portion of a two-story building constructed by L. C. Tyson Construction, Inc. This building serves as the main office of American Community. TyPar Realty, Inc. and L. C. Tyson Construction, Inc. are related interests of Carlton Tyson, a director of Bancshares. The lease was for thirty years commencing in 1999 with increases every five years plus our share of common area expenses. American Community has a right of first refusal to lease the remainder of the building as it becomes available and to purchase the building should it be offered for sale. This lease was entered into at arms-length and at then current market rates. The lease was reviewed by an independent third party real estate appraiser for assurance that the terms of the lease are not more favorable than would be engaged with any other party. Additionally, after a sealed bid process, L. C. Tyson Construction, Inc. was awarded as low bidder, the construction contract for American Community s permanent buildings in Marshville and Mountain Island. American Community believes the terms of that contract are fair to the bank. American Community sold and leased back the Marshville branch in 2001 to Carroll Edwards in an arms length transaction at then current market rates. In 2002 Mr. Edwards was elected to the board of directors of American Community. In 2003, American Community entered into a commercial lease agreement with Zebulon Morris, Jr, a director of American Community, for the lease of a new building constructed by Mr. Morris. The lease is for 10 years commencing in 2003. This lease was entered into at arms-length and at then current market rates.

## Employees

As of December 31, 2005, we had full-time 109 employees and 9 part-time employees. None of these employees are covered by a collective bargaining agreement. We consider relations with our employees to be good.

ITEM 3 LEGAL MATTERS

Not Applicable
ITEM 4 SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

Not Applicable

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## PART II

## ITEM 5 MARKET FOR REGISTRANT S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

American Community Bancshares common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol ACBA . It began trading on this market on July 17, 2000. In addition, warrants to buy shares of American Community Bancshares included as a part of the units sold in April 2002 were also traded on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol ACBAW. The warrants entitled the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $\$ 10.50$ per share and expired on April 30, 2005. At expiration of the warrants, 999,012 common shares were issued and total capital received was $\$ 10,489,626$. There were $6,853,240$ shares of our common stock outstanding at December 31, 2005 owned by approximately 2,800 shareholders. The table below lists the high and low prices at which trades were completed during each quarter indicated for our stock and warrants to buy stock and are adjusted to reflect our three-for-two stock split effective in the form of a $50 \%$ stock dividend in February 2006.

|  | Sale Price <br> Warrants <br> Low |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2005 | Common Stock <br> High <br> Low | High |  |  |  |
| First Quarter | $\$ 9.53$ | $\$$ | 9.46 | $\$ 4.50$ | $\$ 2.33$ |
| Second Quarter | 11.53 | 11.33 | 2.67 | 2.33 |  |
| Third Quarter | 11.47 | 11.44 |  |  |  |
| Fourth Quarter | 12.51 | 12.07 |  |  |  |
| 2004 |  |  |  |  |  |
| First Quarter | 9.47 | 8.09 | 3.23 | 1.81 |  |
| Second Quarter | 9.43 | 7.85 | 2.93 | 1.87 |  |
| Third Quarter | 8.81 | 7.58 | 2.09 | 1.20 |  |
| Fourth Quarter | 11.21 | 8.61 | 4.07 | 1.73 |  |

See Item 12 of this report for disclosure regarding securities authorized for issuance and equity compensation plans required by Item 201(d) of Regulation S-K.

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## ITEM 6 SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

## AMERICAN COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC.

Selected Financial Information and Other Data

## (\$ in thousands, except per share data)

|  | 2005 |  | At or for the Year Ended December 31, 200420032 |  |  |  |  |  | 2001 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operating Data: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total interest income | \$ | 25,584 | \$ | 18,217 | \$ | 13,055 | \$ | 11,463 | \$ | 11,959 |
| Total interest expense |  | 9,180 |  | 6,220 |  | 5,169 |  | 5,294 |  | 7,095 |
| Net interest income |  | 16,404 |  | 11,997 |  | 7,886 |  | 6,169 |  | 4,864 |
| Provision for loan losses |  | 809 |  | 574 |  | 784 |  | 915 |  | 543 |
| Net interest income after provision for loan losses |  | 15,595 |  | 11,423 |  | 7,102 |  | 5,254 |  | 4,321 |
| Non-interest income |  | 3,294 |  | 3,337 |  | 2,645 |  | 2,030 |  | 1,790 |
| Non-interest expenses |  | 11,742 |  | 10,400 |  | 7,552 |  | 6,067 |  | 5,365 |
| Income before income taxes (benefit) |  | 7,147 |  | 4,360 |  | 2,195 |  | 1,217 |  | 746 |
| Provision for income taxes (benefit) |  | 2,639 |  | 1,617 |  | 807 |  | (83) |  |  |
| Net income | \$ | 4,508 | \$ | 2,743 | \$ | 1,388 | \$ | 1,300 | \$ | 746 |
| Per Share Data: (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Earnings per share - basic | \$ | 0.71 | \$ | 0.56 | \$ | 0.33 | \$ | 0.34 | \$ | 0.28 |
| Earnings per share - diluted |  | 0.66 |  | 0.50 |  | 0.32 |  | 0.34 |  | 0.28 |
| Cash dividends per share |  | 0.13 |  | 0.07 |  | 0.05 |  |  |  |  |
| Market Price |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| High |  | 12.51 |  | 11.21 |  | 8.73 |  | 6.00 |  | 6.05 |
| Low |  | 9.46 |  | 7.58 |  | 5.42 |  | 5.10 |  | 4.39 |
| Close |  | 12.43 |  | 10.90 |  | 8.30 |  | 5.30 |  | 5.30 |
| Book value |  | 7.43 |  | 7.06 |  | 5.71 |  | 5.45 |  | 5.01 |
| Tangible book value |  | 5.89 |  | 5.04 |  | 5.71 |  | 5.45 |  | 5.01 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basis |  | 6,364,336 |  | 4,912,256 |  | 4,236,564 |  | 3,854,078 |  | 2,669,644 |
| Diluted |  | 6,819,523 |  | 5,513,361 |  | 4,315,951 |  | 3,861,653 |  | 2,669,644 |
| Selected Year-End Balance Sheet Data: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans | \$ | 332,708 | \$ | 307,988 | \$ | 204,533 | \$ | 165,366 | \$ | 141,267 |
| Allowance for loan losses |  | 4,331 |  | 3,488 |  | 2,529 |  | 2,375 |  | 1,736 |
| Intangible assets |  | 10,510 |  | 10,617 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total assets |  | 436,671 |  | 399,458 |  | 281,253 |  | 215,105 |  | 181,956 |
| Deposits |  | 345,401 |  | 306,665 |  | 208,163 |  | 174,315 |  | 154,909 |
| Borrowings |  | 38,464 |  | 54,169 |  | 48,319 |  | 16,781 |  | 12,703 |
| Shareholders equity |  | 50,886 |  | 36,972 |  | 24,189 |  | 23,076 |  | 13,577 |
| Selected Average Balances: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total assets | \$ | 420,941 | \$ | 366,668 | \$ | 246,042 | \$ | 200,457 | \$ | 163,317 |
| Loans |  | 317,986 |  | 275,011 |  | 182,108 |  | 146,530 |  | 127,486 |
| Total interest-earning assets |  | 385,919 |  | 337,292 |  | 230,747 |  | 189,228 |  | 154,026 |
| Deposits |  | 278,473 |  | 239,294 |  | 168,307 |  | 144,790 |  | 129,928 |
| Total interest-bearing liabilities |  | 320,230 |  | 292,402 |  | 196,469 |  | 158,694 |  | 135,144 |

(1) All share and per share amounts reflect the effects of the $10 \%$ stock dividend paid by the Company during 2001 and the $50 \%$ stock dividend paid in 2006.

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(\$ in thousands, except per share data)

|  | At or for the Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
| Selected Performance Ratios: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Return on average assets | 1.07\% | 0.74\% | 0.56\% | 0.65\% | 0.46\% |
| Return on average equity | 9.81\% | 8.50\% | 5.91\% | 6.55\% | 6.25\% |
| Net interest margin | 4.25\% | 3.56\% | 3.42\% | 3.26\% | 3.16\% |
| Noninterest expense to average assets | 2.79\% | 2.84\% | 3.07\% | 3.03\% | 3.29\% |
| Efficiency ratio | 59.61\% | 67.82\% | 71.71\% | 74.00\% | 80.63\% |
| Asset Quality Ratios: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nonperforming loans to total loans | 0.29\% | 0.29\% | 0.16\% | 0.35\% | 0.66\% |
| Allowance for loan losses to period-end loans | 1.30\% | 1.13\% | 1.24\% | 1.44\% | 1.23\% |
| Allowance for loan losses to nonperforming loans | 455\% | 396\% | 766\% | 409\% | 187\% |
| Nonperforming assets to total assets | 0.33\% | 0.30\% | 0.17\% | 0.48\% | 0.56\% |
| Net loan charge-offs (recoveries) to average loans | (0.01)\% | 0.11\% | 0.35\% | 0.19\% | 0.15\% |

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## ITEM 7 - MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATION


#### Abstract

The following presents management s discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and related notes. This discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ significantly from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of various factors. The following discussion is intended to assist in understanding the financial condition and results of operations of Bancshares. Because American Community Bancshares, Inc. has no material operations and conducts no business on its own other than owning its subsidiary, American Community Bank ( American Community ), the discussion contained in this Management s Discussion and Analysis concerns primarily the business of American Community. However, for ease of reading and because the financial statements are presented on a consolidated basis, American Community Bancshares and American Community Bank are collectively referred to herein as American Community Bancshares or Bancshares unless otherwise noted.


## OVERVIEW

In April 2000, Bancshares was formed as a holding company for American Community. Upon formation, one share of Bancshares $\$ 1.00$ par value common stock was exchanged for each of the then outstanding 1,492,063 shares of American Community s $\$ 5.00$ par value common stock. On April 15, 2004, Bancshares acquired First National Bank of the Carolinas ( First National ). First National shareholders could elect to receive $\$ 22.64$ in cash for each share of First National stock they owned, exchange each share of First National stock for 1.6347 shares of American Community Bancshares, Inc. stock, or a combination of stock and cash. As a result of the combination, the Company paid $\$ 7.1$ million for shares exchanged for cash and has issued 617,343 additional shares of stock. On April 1, 2005 First National was merged into American Community. Bancshares currently has no operations and conducts no business on its own other than owning American Community.

American Community was opened for business as a North Carolina-chartered commercial bank on November 16, 1998. It completed its first full fiscal year on December 31, 1999. American Community operates out of its main office at 2593 West Roosevelt Boulevard, Monroe, North Carolina. It also operates twelve other full service branches in Union and Mecklenburg Counties of North Carolina and Cherokee and York Counties of South Carolina. American Community is a North Carolina-chartered banking corporation.

First National commenced operations as a national banking association on October 18, 1996 and was purchased by Bancshares on April 15, 2004. First National was merged into American Community on April 1, 2005.

The Bank s lending activities are oriented to the consumer/retail customer as well as the small-to-medium sized business located in the Union and Mecklenburg County areas of North Carolina and the Cherokee and York County area of South Carolina. The Bank offers commercial, consumer, and mortgage lending products, as well as the ability to structure credit arrangements to fit specialized needs through accounts receivable financing, leasing arrangements and other products. The deposit services offered by the Bank include small business and personal checking and savings accounts and certificates of deposit. The Bank concentrates on customer relationships in building its customer deposit base and competes aggressively in the area of transaction accounts. Additional funding includes borrowings from the FHLB and various other financial institutions. The Bank also offers investment services through an agreement with Smith Barney.

## Comparison of Financial Condition at December 31, 2005 and 2004

On April 15, 2004, the Company acquired First National Bank of the Carolinas ( First National ). When appropriate, during discussions regarding increases in certain asset and liability categories, information will be included to allow the reader to determine the portion of overall increases attributable to the merger and that attributable to core internal growth.

Total assets at December 31, 2005 increased by $\$ 37.2$ million or $9.3 \%$ to $\$ 436.7$ million compared to $\$ 399.5$ million at December $31,2004$. Bancshares had earning assets of $\$ 403.5$ million at year-end December 31, 2005 consisting of $\$ 332.7$ million in gross loans, $\$ 66.3$ million in investment securities and non-marketable equity securities, and $\$ 4.5$ million in interest-bearing deposits with banks. Total deposits as of December 31, 2005 increased by $\$ 38.7$ million or $12.6 \%$ to $\$ 345.4$ million compared to $\$ 306.7$ million at December 31, 2004. Total borrowings as of

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December 31, 2005 decreased by $\$ 15.7$ million or $29.0 \%$ from $\$ 54.2$ million to $\$ 38.5$ million. Stockholders equity was $\$ 50.9$ million at December 31, 2005 compared to $\$ 37.0$ million at December 31, 2004 for an increase of $\$ 13.9$ million or $37.6 \%$.

Gross loans grew by $\$ 24.7$ million or $8.0 \%$ from $\$ 308.0$ million as of December 31, 2004 to $\$ 332.7$ million at year-end 2005. The composition of the loan portfolio, by category, as of December 31, 2005 is as follows: $9 \% 1-4$ family mortgage loans, $26 \%$ commercial mortgage real estate loans, $13 \%$ construction/development real estate loans, $8 \%$ home equity lines of credit, $29 \%$ commercial loans, $11 \%$ consumer and other loans to individuals and $4 \%$ leases. The real estate category grew $\$ 6.1$ million from $\$ 151.6$ million to $\$ 157.7$ million. Within the real estate category, $1-4$ family loans grew $\$ 1.8$ million from $\$ 27.1$ million to $\$ 28.9$ million, commercial mortgage real estate loans grew $\$ 73,000$ from $\$ 84.6$ million to $\$ 84.7$ million while construction/development loans increased $\$ 4.2$ million from $\$ 39.8$ million to $\$ 44.0$ million. These construction/development loans are primarily single family residences and owner occupied commercial properties. Net increases in other loan categories included $\$ 3.2$ million in home equity lines of credit, $\$ 11.3$ million in commercial and industrial loans, $\$ 5.1$ million in consumer and other loans and a net decrease of $\$ 1.0$ million in leases. The Bank takes no residual risk in the leasing portfolio as all lease residuals are personally guaranteed by the borrower. The composition of the loan portfolio at December 31, 2004, by category, was $9 \%$ 1-4 family mortgage loans, $27 \%$ commercial mortgage real estate loans, $13 \%$ construction/development real estate loans, $8 \%$ home equity lines of credit, $28 \%$ commercial loans, $10 \%$ consumer and other loans to individuals and $5 \%$ leases.

Bancshares recorded an $\$ 809,000$ provision for loan losses for the year ended December 31, 2005, representing an increase of $\$ 235,000$ from the $\$ 574,000$ provision for the year ended December 31, 2004. Bancshares also experienced a decrease in net loan charge-offs, from $\$ 300,000$ in 2004 to a net recovery of $\$ 34,000$ during 2005 . The percentage of net loan charge-offs (recoveries) to average loans outstanding was (.01\%) for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared with $.11 \%$ for the year ended December 31, 2004. Non-performing loans and leases totaled $\$ 951,000$ or $.29 \%$ of total loans at December 31, 2005, up from $\$ 881,000$ or $.29 \%$ of total loans at December 31, 2004. The composition of non-performing loans and leases at December 31, 2005 by category was $19 \%$ real estate, $24 \%$ commercial loans, $6 \%$ consumer and other loans to individuals and $51 \%$ leases. This compares to $58 \%$ real estate, $32 \%$ commercial loans, and $10 \%$ consumer and other loans to individuals at December 31, 2004. All non-performing loans and leases have been reviewed for collectibility and any specific reserves necessary have been recorded. The allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2005 of $\$ 4.3$ million represents $1.30 \%$ of total loans and $455 \%$ of non-performing loans. The allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2004 of $\$ 3.5$ million represented $1.13 \%$ of total loans and $396 \%$ of non-performing loans. The increase in both the provision for loan losses and the increase in the allowance for loan losses in 2005 is primarily attributable to the increase in non-performing leases. Management believes that the allowance for loan losses as of December 31, 2005 is adequate to absorb losses inherent in the loan portfolio.

Bancshares had total investment securities of $\$ 64.3$ million at December 31, 2005 of which $\$ 62.1$ million are accounted for as available for sale under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 115 and are presented at fair value, and $\$ 2.2$ million are intended to be held to maturity. The investment securities portfolio increased by $\$ 10.3$ million from the $\$ 54.0$ million balance at December 31, 2004. Additions to the investment portfolio included $\$ 25.6$ million in new securities purchases, largely funded from $\$ 14.0$ million in proceeds from investment maturities, calls, sales and principal re-payments. In 2003, the Company borrowed $\$ 15.0$ million in repurchase agreements with six month maturities and invested the proceeds in 10 year mortgaged backed securities to take advantage of increased spreads between short-term and long-term rates and provide protection against falling short-term interest rates. Due to rising short-term interest rates during the year, the interest rate spread on the securities purchased and the repurchase agreement used to fund the transaction narrowed. The $\$ 15.0$ million in repurchase agreements were paid off during 2005 with proceeds from the exercise of the Company s warrants which expired in April of 2005.

Interest-earning deposits with banks decreased by $\$ 2.1$ million primarily to fund loan demand.
Non interest-earning assets increased by $\$ 5.1$ million from $\$ 32.4$ million at December 31, 2004 to $\$ 37.5$ million at December 31, 2005. The increase is primarily attributable to an increase of $\$ 1.0$ million to $\$ 3.3$ million in other assets and a $\$ 3.0$ million increase in the cash and due from banks category. This includes cash on hand and customer deposits and other cash receipts that are in the process of collection and not available for overnight investment. Accrued interest receivable also increased $\$ 736,000$ to $\$ 2.4$ million at December 31, 2005 as a result of the increase in earning assets and also the increase in interest rates during the year. Bank premises and equipment was $\$ 9.7$ million at December 31, 2005 an increase of $\$ 1.0$ million from December 31, 2004 primarily due to the

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construction of our new Tega Cay branch. Foreclosed real estate and repossessed assets were $\$ 386,000$ and $\$ 93,000$, respectively, at December 31, 2005 an increase of $\$ 168,000$ from the foreclosed real estate balance of $\$ 311,000$ at December 31, 2004. This increase is primarily due to the addition of four 1-4 family properties foreclosed in 2005, offset by the sale of three properties in 2005 and the repossession of eight vehicles under lease in 2005.

Total deposits increased $\$ 38.7$ million or $12.6 \%$ from $\$ 306.7$ million on December 31, 2004 to 345.4 million on December 31, 2005. The composition of the deposit base, by category, at December 31, 2005 is as follows: $17 \%$ non-interest bearing demand deposits, $3 \%$ savings deposits, $21 \%$ money market and interest bearing demand deposits and $59 \%$ time deposits. All deposit categories experienced increases over the twelve-month period. Dollar and percentage increases by category were as follows: non-interest bearing demand deposits, $\$ 12.5$ million or $27 \%$; savings deposits, $\$ 9,000$, money market and interest bearing demand deposits, $\$ 4.5$ million or $7 \%$, and time deposits, $\$ 21.6$ million or $12 \%$. Time deposits of $\$ 100,000$ or more totaled $\$ 114.1$ million, or $56 \%$ of time deposits at December 31, 2005. The composition of deposits at December 31, 2004 was $15 \%$ non-interest bearing demand deposits, $4 \%$ savings deposits, $22 \%$ money market and interest bearing demand deposits and $59 \%$ time deposits. Time deposits of $\$ 100,000$ or more at December 31, 2004 were $\$ 96.9$ million or $54 \%$ of time deposits.

At December 31, 2005, $\$ 11.1$ million of advances were outstanding with maturity dates ranging from February 2006 through February 2013. The balance of FHLB advances at December 31, 2004 was $\$ 12.8$ million. These advances are secured by a blanket lien on 1-4 family mortgage loans and certain loans secured by commercial property, Federal Home Loan Bank stock, and $\$ 1.0$ million in investment securities. Bancshares also maintained the capital lease for its main office. The recorded obligation under this capital lease at December 31, 2005 was $\$ 1.7$ million. Bancshares also maintained the $9.0 \%$ junior subordinated debentures in the amount of $\$ 3,608,260$. The entire $\$ 3.6$ million was eligible for inclusion as Tier I capital for American Community Bancshares, Inc. in 2005. In 2003, Bancshares issued additional junior subordinated debentures in the amount of $\$ 10,310,000$ million. The debentures have a maturity of thirty years with a five-year continuous call provision and are re-priced monthly based on 90 day LIBOR plus 280 basis points. The entire $\$ 10.3$ million was eligible for inclusion as Tier I capital for American Community Bancshares, Inc. in 2005. The Bank also offers corporate customers the option to sweep excess checking account balances into one day maturity repurchase agreements which are collateralized by certain of the Bank s investment securities. The balance of these repurchase agreements at December 31, 2005 was $\$ 11.7$ million. In 2003, the Company borrowed $\$ 15.0$ million under repurchase agreements with six month maturities and invested the proceeds in 10 year mortgaged backed securities to take advantage of increased spreads between short-term and long-term rates and provide protection against falling short-term interest rates. The $\$ 15.0$ million in repurchase agreements were paid off in 2005.

Other liabilities increased by $\$ 268,000$ to $\$ 1.9$ million at December 31, 2005 from $\$ 1.6$ million at December 31, 2004. The increase was primarily due to the increase in accrued income taxes for the year.

Bancshares began 2005 with total stockholders equity of $\$ 37.0$ million. Total equity increased to $\$ 50.9$ million at December 31, 2005. This $\$ 13.9$ million increase was due to the exercise of 997,812 warrants resulting in $\$ 10.4$ million of additional capital, and comprehensive income for 2005 of $\$ 3.9$ million, which was offset by the $\$ 861,000$ payment of cash dividends of $\$ .20$ per share in 2005. In addition 137,418 options to buy stock were exercised in 2005 resulting in $\$ 535,000$ in net proceeds.

## Net Interest Income

Like most financial institutions, the primary component of earnings for Bancshares is net interest income. Net interest income is the difference between interest income, principally from loan and investment securities portfolios, and interest expense, principally on customer deposits and borrowings. Changes in net interest income result from changes in volume, spread and margin. Volume refers to the average dollar level of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, spread refers to the difference between the average yield on interest-earning assets and the average cost of interest-bearing liabilities, and margin refers to net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets and is influenced by the level and relative mix of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, as well as levels of non-interest-bearing liabilities. During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003, average interest-earning assets were $\$ 385.9$ million, $\$ 337.3$ million, and $\$ 230.7$ million, respectively. During these same periods, Bancshares net yields on average interest-earning assets (net interest margin) were $4.25 \%$, $3.56 \%$, and $3.42 \%$, respectively.

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Average Balances and Average Rates Earned and Paid. The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, information with regard to average balances of assets and liabilities, as well as the total dollar amounts of interest income from interest-earning assets and interest expense on interest-bearing liabilities, resultant yields or costs, net interest income, net interest spread, net interest margin and ratio of average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities. Average loans include non-accruing loans, the effect which is to lower the average rates shown.

|  | Year Ended December 31, 2005 |  |  | Year Ended December 31, 2004 |  |  | Year Ended December 31, 2003 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Average <br> Balance | Interest | Average Rate | Average Balance (Dollar | Interest <br> in thousand | Average Rate ds) | Average Balance | Interest | Average Rate |
| Interest-earning assets: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans | \$ 317,986 | \$ 23,062 | 7.25\% | \$ 275,011 | \$ 16,387 | 5.96\% | \$ 182,108 | \$ 11,761 | 6.46\% |
| Investments | 56,973 | 2,229 | 3.91\% | 53,499 | 1,740 | 3.25\% | 40,875 | 1,219 | 2.98\% |
| Interest-earning deposits | 10,960 | 293 | 2.67\% | 8,782 | 89 | 1.01\% | 7,764 | 75 | . $97 \%$ |
| Total interest-earning assets | 385,919 | 25,584 | 6.63\% | 337,292 | 18,216 | 5.40\% | 230,747 | 13,055 | 5.66\% |
| Other assets | 35,022 |  |  | 29,376 |  |  | 15,295 |  |  |
| Total assets | \$ 420,941 |  |  | \$ 366,668 |  |  | \$ 246,042 |  |  |
| Interest-bearing liabilities: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Deposits: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Savings | \$ 11,845 | 28 | .24\% | \$ 11,071 | 26 | .23\% | \$ 5,415 | 13 | .24\% |
| Money Market and NOW | 70,425 | 1,021 | 1.45\% | 66,477 | 378 | . $57 \%$ | 37,140 | 301 | .81\% |
| Time | 196,203 | 6,241 | 3.18\% | 161,746 | 4,058 | 2.51\% | 125,752 | 3,707 | 2.95\% |
| Borrowings ${ }^{(1)}$ | 41,757 | 1,890 | 4.53\% | 53,108 | 1,758 | 3.31\% | 28,162 | 1,148 | 4.08\% |
| Total interest-bearing liabilities | 320,230 | 9,180 | 2.87\% | 292,402 | 6,220 | 2.13\% | 196,469 | 5,169 | 2.63\% |
| Non-interest-bearing deposits | 53,753 |  |  | 39,861 |  |  | 25,230 |  |  |
| Other liabilities | 1,021 |  |  | 2,130 |  |  | 842 |  |  |
| Stockholders equity | 45,937 |  |  | 32,275 |  |  | 23,501 |  |  |
| Total liabilities and stockholders equity | \$ 420,941 |  |  | \$ 366,668 |  |  | \$ 246,042 |  |  |
| Net interest income and interest rate spread |  | \$ 16,404 | 3.76\% |  | \$ 11,996 | 3.27\% |  | \$ 7,886 | 3.03\% |
| Net yield on average interest-earning assets |  |  | 4.25\% |  |  | 3.56\% |  |  | 3.42\% |
| Ratio of average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities | 120.51\% |  |  | 115.35\% |  |  | 117.45\% |  |  |

${ }^{(1)}$ Borrowings includes borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank, securities sold under agreement to repurchase, federal funds sold, capital lease obligation and junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures.

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## Rate/Volume Analysis

The following table analyzes the dollar amount of changes in interest income and interest expense for major components of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. The table distinguishes between (i) changes attributable to volume (changes in volume multiplied by the prior period s rate), (ii) changes attributable to rate (changes in rate multiplied by the prior period s volume), and (iii) net change (the sum of the previous columns). The change attributable to both rate and volume (changes in rate multiplied by changes in volume) has been allocated equally to both the changes attributable to volume and the changes attributable to rate.

|  | December 31, 2005 vs. 2004 Increase (Decrease) |  |  | December 31, 2004 vs. 2003 <br> Increase <br> (Decrease) <br> Due to |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Volume | Rate | Total (Dollars in | Volume thousands) | Rate | Total |
| Interest income: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans | \$ 2,839 | \$ 3,836 | \$ 6,675 | \$ 5,767 | \$ $(1,141)$ | \$ 4,626 |
| Investment securities | 124 | 365 | 489 | 394 | 127 | 521 |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 40 | 164 | 204 | 10 | 4 | 14 |
| Total interest income | 3,003 | 4,365 | 7,368 | 6,171 | $(1,010)$ | 5,161 |
| Interest expense: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Deposits | 1,022 | 1,806 | 2,828 | 1,202 | (761) | 441 |
| Borrowings | (445) | 577 | 132 | 921 | (311) | 610 |
| Total interest expense | 577 | 2,383 | 2,960 | 2,123 | $(1,072)$ | 1,051 |
| Net interest income | \$ 2,426 | \$ 1,982 | \$ 4,408 | \$ 4,048 | \$ 62 | \$ 4,110 |

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## Comparison of Results of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

Net Income. Bancshares generated net income in 2005 of $\$ 4.5$ million compared to net income in 2004 of $\$ 2.7$ million. On a per share basis, fully diluted earnings were $\$ .66$ for 2005 compared to $\$ .50$ for 2004 . Return on average assets was $1.07 \%$ and $.74 \%$ and return on average equity was $9.81 \%$ and $8.50 \%$ for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

Earnings for the year ended December 31, 2005 were positively impacted by strong growth in average earning assets and by increases in net interest income. The impact of the growth in average earning assets was further enhanced by the increase in the yield on interest-earning assets, which increased to $6.63 \%$ in 2005 from $5.40 \%$ in 2004.

Net Interest Income. Net interest income increased $\$ 4.4$ million from $\$ 12.0$ million in 2004 to $\$ 16.4$ million in 2005. Total interest income benefited from strong growth in average earning assets combined with an increase in net interest margin from $3.56 \%$ in 2004 to $4.25 \%$ in 2005 .

Total average earning assets increased $\$ 48.6$ million or $14.4 \%$ from an average of $\$ 337.3$ million in 2004 to an average of $\$ 385.9$ million in 2005. Bancshares experienced solid loan growth during 2005 with average loan balances increasing by $\$ 43.0$ million. The increase in the average balances for investment securities and interest-earning deposits was $\$ 5.7$ million. Total interest income increased $\$ 7.4$ million due to an increase in average earning assets of $\$ 48.6$ million, complemented by an increase in yield on earning assets from $5.40 \%$ in 2004 to $6.63 \%$ in 2005. Average total interest-bearing liabilities increased by $\$ 27.8$ million during 2005, consisting of a $\$ 39.2$ million increase in average interest-bearing deposits while average borrowings decreased $\$ 11.4$ million.

Net interest margin is interest income earned on loans, securities and other earning assets, less interest expense paid on deposits and borrowings, expressed as a percentage of total average earning assets. The net interest margin for the year ended 2005 was $4.25 \%$ compared to $3.56 \%$ for 2004. The increase in net interest margin resulted from the differences between the terms and conditions of earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. Interest rates on a significant portion of our earning assets, such as certain loans and short-term investments, are tied to index rates, including the prime lending rate and the Federal Funds rate. Conversely, rates on a significant portion of interest-bearing liabilities such as certificates of deposits and borrowings remain fixed until maturity. During the second half of 2005, the Federal Reserve Open Market Committee increased short-term interest rates eight times for a total of 200 basis points. When an interest rate increase occurs, yields on certain assets are increased immediately while the impact on deposits and borrowings is delayed until such time as these instruments mature and are replaced with instruments that reflect the interest rate increase. The average yield on earning assets for 2005 was $6.63 \%$ or 123 basis points higher than the $5.40 \%$ for 2004 . The 2005 average cost of interest-bearing liabilities was $2.87 \%$ or 74 basis points higher than the $2.13 \%$ for 2004. As a result, the interest rate spread, which is the difference between the average yield on earning assets and the cost of interest-bearing funds, increased 49 basis points from $3.27 \%$ in 2004 to $3.76 \%$ in 2005.

Provision for Loan Losses. Bancshares provision for loan losses for 2005 was $\$ 809,000$, representing a $\$ 235,000$ or $40.9 \%$ increase from the $\$ 574,000$ recorded for 2004. Provisions for loan losses are charged to income to bring the allowance for loan losses to a level deemed appropriate by management based on factors discussed under Analysis of Loan Losses. The allowance for loan losses was $\$ 4.3$ million at December 31, 2005, representing $1.30 \%$ of total outstanding loans and $455 \%$ of non-performing loans. The allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2004 was $\$ 3.5$ million, representing $1.13 \%$ of total outstanding loans at that date and $396 \%$ of non-performing loans.

Non-interest Income. Non-interest income decreased by $\$ 44,000$ or $1.3 \%$ to $\$ 3.3$ million for the year ended December 31, 2005. The largest components of non-interest income were service charges on deposit accounts of $\$ 2.3$ million in 2005 unchanged from 2004, fees from mortgage banking operations of $\$ 385,000$ in 2005 as compared to $\$ 365,000$ in 2004, a $5.5 \%$ increase, and fees from accounts receivable financing of $\$ 110,000$ in 2005 as compared to $\$ 85,000$ in 2004 , a $29 \%$ increase. Even though deposit transaction accounts increased from $\$ 126.2$ million at December 31, 2004 to $\$ 143.3$ million at December 31, 2005 there was no change in deposit account charges. The Bank implemented an overdraft privilege program to certain customers in 2003. The Bank discouraged customers who were over utilizing the program from doing so in 2005 which resulted in a decrease in deposit account charges directly relating to the overdraft privilege program. Fees from mortgage banking operations increased as the local economy remained strong and long-term rates remained favorable in 2005. Fees from accounts receivable financing increased due to an increase in average balances outstanding from $\$ 595,000$ in 2004 to $\$ 940,000$ in 2005 , or a $58.0 \%$ increase.

Non-interest Expenses. Total non-interest expense increased $\$ 1.3$ million from $\$ 10.4$ million in 2004 to $\$ 11.7$ million in 2005. This $12.5 \%$ increase was primarily due to increases in compensation associated with the addition of two branches in 2005 and other growth and increases in occupancy and equipment expenses related to branch growth.

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Salaries and benefits expense was $\$ 5.7$ million for the year ended December 31, 2005, representing an $\$ 878,000$ or $18.1 \%$ increase over the $\$ 4.9$ million recorded for the prior year. Occupancy and equipment costs were $\$ 2.2$ million for the year ended December 31, 2005 representing a $\$ 395,000$ or $22.5 \%$ increase over the $\$ 1.8$ million for the prior year. Non-interest expense in 2004 included a $\$ 600,000$ charge for the settlement of a customer lawsuit. Absent this charge, other expenses increased $\$ 668,000$ or $21.0 \%$ from 2004 primarily due to increases in office expenses, advertising and promotion, and professional fees related to the new branches and inclusion of First National expenses for all of 2005.

Provision for Income Taxes. Bancshares had tax expense of $\$ 2.6$ million, or $36.9 \%$ of income before income taxes, for the year ended December 31, 2005 compared to an income tax expense of $\$ 1.6$ million in 2004 or $37.1 \%$ of income before income taxes. The effective tax rate decreased primarily as a result of an increase in tax-free municipal bond investments from $\$ 2.2$ million in 2004 to $\$ 6.5$ million in 2005.

## Comparison of Results of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2004 and 2003

Net Income. Bancshares generated net income in 2004 of $\$ 2.7$ million compared to net income in 2003 of $\$ 1.4$ million. On a per share basis, fully diluted earnings were $\$ .50$ for 2004 compared to $\$ .32$ for 2003. Return on average assets was $.74 \%$ and $.56 \%$ and return on average equity was $8.50 \%$ and $5.91 \%$ for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Earnings for the year ended December 31, 2004 were positively impacted by strong growth in average earning assets and by increases in net interest income and non-interest income. The impact of the growth in average earning assets was further enhanced by the reduction in the cost of interest-bearing liabilities, which decreased to $2.13 \%$ in 2004 from $2.63 \%$ in 2003.

Net Interest Income. Net interest income increased $\$ 4.1$ million from $\$ 7.9$ million in 2003 to $\$ 12.0$ million in 2004. Total interest income benefited from strong growth in average earning assets combined with an increase in net interest margin from $3.42 \%$ in 2003 to $3.56 \%$ in 2004 .

Total average earning assets increased $\$ 106.6$ million or $46 \%$ from an average of $\$ 230.7$ million in 2003 to an average of $\$ 337.3$ million in 2004. The acquisition of First National added $\$ 65.5$ million of the $\$ 106.6$ million increase, consisting of $\$ 56.0$ million in average loans, $\$ 7.0$ million in average investments and $\$ 2.5$ million in average interest bearing deposits. Bancshares experienced strong loan growth during 2004 with average loan balances increasing by $\$ 92.9$ million. The increase in the average balances for investment securities and interest-earning deposits was $\$ 13.6$ million. Total interest income increased $\$ 5.2$ million due to an increase in average earning assets of $\$ 106.6$ million, offset by a decrease in yield on earning assets from $5.66 \%$ in 2003 to $5.40 \%$ in 2004. Average total interest-bearing liabilities increased by $\$ 95.9$ million during 2004, consisting of a $\$ 71.0$ million increase in average interest-bearing deposits while average borrowings increased $\$ 24.9$ million.

Net interest margin is interest income earned on loans, securities and other earning assets, less interest expense paid on deposits and borrowings, expressed as a percentage of total average earning assets. The net interest margin for the year ended 2004 was $3.56 \%$ compared to $3.42 \%$ for 2003. The increase in net interest margin resulted from the differences between the terms and conditions of earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. Interest rates on a significant portion of our earning assets, such as certain loans and short-term investments, are tied to index rates, including the prime lending rate and the Federal Funds rate. Conversely, rates on a significant portion of interest-bearing liabilities such as certificates of deposits and borrowings remain fixed until maturity. During the second half of 2004, the Federal Reserve Open Market Committee increased short-term interest rates five times for a total of 125 basis points. When an interest rate increase occurs, yields on certain assets are increased immediately while the impact on deposits and borrowings is delayed until such time as these instruments mature and are replaced with instruments that reflect the interest rate increase. The average yield on earning assets for 2004 was $5.40 \%$ or 26 basis points lower than the $5.66 \%$ for 2003 . The 2004 average cost of interest-bearing liabilities was $2.13 \%$ or 50 basis points lower than the $2.63 \%$ for 2003 . As a result, the interest rate spread, which is the difference between the average yield on earning assets and the cost of interest-bearing funds, increased 24 basis points from $3.03 \%$ in 2003 to $3.27 \%$ in 2004.

Provision for Loan Losses. Bancshares provision for loan losses for 2004 was $\$ 574,000$, representing a $\$ 210,000$ or $26.8 \%$ decrease from the $\$ 784,000$ recorded for 2003. Provisions for loan losses are charged to income to bring the allowance for loan losses to a level deemed appropriate by management based on factors discussed under Analysis of Loan Losses. Under American Community s loan grading system, loans classified as especially mentioned, substandard, doubtful or loss (which includes non-performing loans) actually decreased from $3.83 \%$ of total loans at December 31, 2003 to $2.58 \%$ of total loans at December 31, 2004 resulting in a decrease in current year provision and allowance for loan losses. The allowance for loan losses was $\$ 3.5$ million at December 31, 2004, representing $1.13 \%$ of total outstanding loans and $396 \%$ of non-performing loans. The allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2003 was $\$ 2.5$ million, representing $1.24 \%$ of total outstanding loans at that date and $766 \%$ of non-performing loans.

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Non-interest Income. Non-interest income increased by $\$ 693,000$ or $26 \%$ to $\$ 3.3$ million for the year ended December 31, 2004 compared with $\$ 2.6$ million for the prior period. The largest components of non-interest income were service charges on deposit accounts of $\$ 2.3$ million in 2004 as compared to $\$ 1.7$ million in 2003, a $35 \%$ increase, fees from mortgage banking operations of $\$ 365,000$ in 2004 as compared to $\$ 517,000$ in 2003, a $29 \%$ decrease, and fees from accounts receivable financing of $\$ 85,000$ in 2004 as compared to $\$ 94,000$ in 2003, a $10 \%$ decrease. Service charge income increased as a result of the $\$ 49.4$ million or $64 \%$ increase in deposit transaction accounts from $\$ 76.8$ million at December 31, 2003 to $\$ 126.2$ million at December 31, 2004. The acquisition of First National accounted for $\$ 363,000$ of the $\$ 566,000$ increase in service charge income. Fees from mortgage banking operations decreased due to the increasing interest rate environment in 2004. Fees from accounts receivable financing decreased due to the decreased emphasis placed on this type of lending by management during the year.

Non-interest Expenses. Total non-interest expense increased from $\$ 7.6$ million in 2003 to $\$ 10.2$ million in 2004. This $34 \%$ increase was primarily due to the acquisition of FNB, increases in compensation associated with branch expansion and other growth, increases in occupancy and equipment expenses, and other expenses which include a $\$ 600,000$ charge for the settlement of a customer lawsuit. Salaries and benefits expense was $\$ 4.9$ million for the year ended December 31, 2004, representing a $\$ 1.0$ million or $26 \%$ increase over the $\$ 3.9$ million recorded for the prior year. Occupancy and equipment costs were $\$ 1.8$ million for the year ended December 31, 2003 representing a $\$ 393,000$ or $29 \%$ increase over the $\$ 1.4$ million for the prior year. Data processing cost was $\$ 554,000$ for the year ended December 31, 2004 representing a $\$ 19,000$ or $4 \%$ increase over the $\$ 535,000$ for the prior year.

Provision for Income Taxes. Bancshares had tax expense of $\$ 1.6$ million, or $37.1 \%$ of income before income taxes, for the year ended December 31, 2004 compared to an income tax expense of $\$ 807,000$ in 2003 or $36.7 \%$ of income before income taxes.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

Maintaining adequate liquidity while managing interest rate risk is the primary goal of Bancshares asset and liability management strategy. Liquidity is the ability to fund the needs of Bancshares borrowers and depositors, pay operating expenses, and meet regulatory liquidity requirements. Maturing investments, loan and mortgage-backed security principal repayments, deposit growth and borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank and other lenders are presently the main sources of Bancshares liquidity. Bancshares primary uses of liquidity are to fund loans, operating expenses, deposit withdrawals, repay borrowings and to make investments.

As of December 31, 2005, liquid assets (cash and due from banks, interest-earning deposits with banks, and investment securities available for sale) were approximately $\$ 79.1$ million, which represents $18 \%$ of total assets and $21 \%$ of total deposits and borrowings. Supplementing this liquidity, Bancshares has lines of credit from correspondent banks of approximately $\$ 24.7$ million and an additional line of credit with the FHLB equal to $15 \%$ of assets (subject to available qualified collateral, with borrowings of $\$ 11.1$ million outstanding from the FHLB at December 31, 2005). At December 31, 2005, outstanding commitments to extend credit were $\$ 8.5$ million and available line of credit balances totaled $\$ 50.6$ million. Management believes that the combined aggregate liquidity position of Bancshares is sufficient to meet the funding requirements of loan demand and deposit maturities and withdrawals in the near term.

Certificates of deposit represented $58.5 \%$ of Bancshares total deposits at December 31, 2005 a slight decrease from 58.9\% at December 31, 2004. Bancshares growth strategy will include efforts focused on increasing the relative volume of transaction deposit accounts. Certificates of deposit of $\$ 100,000$ or more represented $33.0 \%$ of Bancshares total deposits at December 31, 2005. These deposits are generally considered rate sensitive, but management believes most of them are relationship-oriented. While Bancshares will need to pay competitive rates to retain these deposits at maturity, there are other subjective factors that will determine Bancshares continued retention of those deposits.

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Banks and bank holding companies, as regulated institutions, must meet required levels of capital. The FDIC and the Federal Reserve, the primary regulators of the Bank and Bancshares, respectively, have adopted minimum capital regulations or guidelines that categorize components and the level of risk associated with various types of assets. Financial institutions are expected to maintain a level of capital commensurate with the risk profile assigned to its assets in accordance with these guidelines. At December 31, 2005, Bancshares maintained capital levels exceeding the minimum levels for adequately capitalized bank holding companies and banks.

## Capital Ratios

Bancshares and the Bank are subject to minimum capital requirements. As the following table indicates, at December 31, 2005, we exceeded our regulatory capital requirements.

|  | At December 31, 2005 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Well- |
|  | Actual | Minimum | Capitalized |
|  | Ratio | Requirement | Requirement |
| American Community Bank: |  |  |  |
| Total risk-based capital ratio | 11.49\% | 8.00\% | 10.00\% |
| Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio | 10.26\% | 4.00\% | 5.00\% |
| Leverage ratio | 8.49\% | 4.00\% | 5.00\% |
| American Community Bancshares: |  |  |  |
| Total risk-based capital ratio | 16.64\% | 8.00\% | NA |
| Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio | 15.41\% | 4.00\% | NA |
| Leverage ratio | 12.78\% | 4.00\% | NA |

On July 2, 2003, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve issued a letter, SR 03-13, stating that trust preferred securities, such as those issued by American Community Capital Trust I and American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd., will continue to be included in Tier 1 capital until notice is given to the contrary. Accordingly, the above reflects those trust preferred securities. There can be no assurance that the Federal Reserve will continue to allow institutions to include trust preferred securities in Tier I capital for regulatory capital purposes. In the event of a disallowance, there would be a reduction in the Company s consolidated capital ratios. However, the Company believes that the Bank would still exceed the regulatory required minimums for capital adequacy purposes.

## Asset/Liability Management

Bancshares asset/liability management, or interest rate risk management, program is focused primarily on evaluating and managing the composition of its assets and liabilities in view of various interest rate scenarios. Factors beyond Bancshares control, such as market interest rates and competition, may also have an impact on Bancshares interest income and interest expense.

Interest Rate Gap Analysis. As a part of its interest rate risk management policy, Bancshares calculates an interest rate gap. Interest rate gap analysis is a common, though imperfect, measure of interest rate risk, which measures the relative dollar amounts of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, which reprice within a specific time period, either through maturity or rate adjustment. The gap is the difference between the amounts of such assets and liabilities that are subject to repricing. A positive gap for a given period means that the amount of interest-earning assets maturing or otherwise repricing within that period exceeds the amount of interest-bearing liabilities maturing or otherwise repricing within the same period. Accordingly, in a declining interest rate environment, an institution with a positive gap would generally be expected, absent the effects of other factors, to experience a decrease in the yield on its assets greater than the decrease in the cost of its liabilities and its income should be negatively affected. Conversely, the cost of funds for an institution with a positive gap would generally be expected to increase more slowly than the yield on its assets in a rising interest rate environment, and such institution s net interest income generally would be expected to be positively affected by rising interest rates. Changes in interest rates generally have the opposite effect on an institution with a negative gap.

The following table sets forth the amounts of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities outstanding at December 31, 2005, which are projected to reprice or mature in each of the future time periods shown. Except as stated below, the amounts of assets and liabilities shown which reprice or mature within a particular period were determined in accordance with the contractual terms of the assets or liabilities. Loans with adjustable rates are shown as being due at the end of the next upcoming adjustment period. Money market deposit accounts and negotiable

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or other transaction accounts are assumed to pay out over a decay schedule. In making the gap computations, standard assumptions regarding prepayment rates and deposit decay rates have been used for interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. In addition, the table reflects scheduled principal payments, which will be received throughout the lives of the loans. The interest rate sensitivity of Bancshares assets and liabilities illustrated in the following table would vary substantially if different assumptions were used or if actual experience differs from that indicated by such assumptions.

|  | 3 Months or Less | Terms to Repricing at December 31, 2005 |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | More Than 3 Months to 6 Months |  | More Than 6 Months to 12 Months llars in thousands) |  |  | Over Months |  |
| INTEREST EARNING-ASSETS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans receivable: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Real estate mortgage loans | \$ 90,702 | \$ | 4,431 | \$ | 6,455 | \$ | 56,076 | \$ 157,664 |
| Home equity lines of credit | 27,732 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 27,732 |
| Commercial and industrial loans | 65,721 |  | 4,396 |  | 8,193 |  | 18,887 | 97,197 |
| Loans to individuals | 13,978 |  | 3,155 |  | 4,439 |  | 14,369 | 35,941 |
| Lease financing, net | 1,415 |  | 1,240 |  | 2,521 |  | 9,017 | 14,193 |
| Interest earning deposits with banks | 4,454 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4,454 |
| Investment securities | 4,000 |  | 2,000 |  | 1,999 |  | 56,308 | 64,307 |
| Non-marketable equity securities |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1,996 | 1,996 |
| Total interest-earning assets | \$ 208,002 | \$ | 15,222 | \$ | 23,607 |  | 156,653 | \$ 403,484 |
| INTEREST-BEARING LIABILITIES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Deposits: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest-bearing demand | \$ 28,060 | \$ | 1,461 | \$ | 2,922 |  | 52,766 | \$ 85,209 |
| Time | 46,336 |  | 31,043 |  | 69,921 |  | 54,838 | 202,138 |
| Borrowings (1) | 17,844 |  |  |  |  |  | 6,702 | 24,546 |
| Junior subordinated debentures | 10,310 |  |  |  |  |  | 3,608 | 13,918 |
| Total interest-bearing liabilities | \$ 102,550 | \$ | 32,504 | \$ | 72,843 |  | 117,914 | \$ 325,811 |
| INTEREST SENSITIVITY GAP PER PERIOD | \$ 105,452 | \$ | $(17,282)$ | \$ | $(49,236)$ | \$ | 38,739 | \$ 77,673 |
| CUMULATIVE INTEREST SENSITIVITY GAP | \$ 105,452 | \$ | 88,170 | \$ | 38,934 |  | 77,673 | \$ 77,673 |
| CUMULATIVE GAP AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL INTEREST-EARNING ASSETS | 26.14\% |  | 21.85\% |  | 9.65\% |  | 19.25\% | 19.25\% |
| CUMULATIVE INTEREST-EARNING ASSETS AS A PERCENTAGE OF CUMULATIVE INTEREST BEARING |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LIABILITIES | 202.83\% |  | 165.28\% |  | 118.73\% |  | 123.84\% | 123.84\% |

(1) Includes advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank, securities sold under agreement to repurchase, federal funds purchased and capital lease obligations.

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## Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Bancshares discussion and analysis of its financial condition and results of operations are based upon its consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires Bancshares to make estimates and judgments regarding uncertainties that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. On an ongoing basis, Bancshares evaluates its estimates which are based upon historical experience and on other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Bancshares significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements. Bancshares considers the following accounting policies to be most critical in their potential effect on its financial position or results of operations:

## Allowance for Loan Losses

The most critical estimate concerns Bancshares allowance for loan losses. Bancshares records provisions for loan losses based upon known problem loans and estimated deficiencies in the existing loan portfolio. Bancshares methodology for assessing the appropriations of the allowance for loan losses consists of two key components, which are a specific allowance for identified problem or impaired loans and a formula allowance for the remainder of the portfolio.

Identified problem and impaired loans are measured for impairment based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan $s$ effective interest rate, the loan $s$ observable market price or the fair value of the collateral, if the loan is collateral dependent. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires material estimates that may be susceptible to significant change. The adequacy of the allowance is also reviewed by management based upon its evaluation of then-existing economic and business conditions affecting the key lending areas of Bancshares and other conditions, such as new loan products, collateral values, loan concentrations, changes in the mix and volume of the loan portfolio; trends in portfolio credit quality, including delinquency and charge-off rates; and current economic conditions that may affect a borrower s ability to repay. Although management believes it has established and maintained the allowance for loan losses at appropriate levels, future adjustments may be necessary if economic, real estate and other conditions differ substantially from the current operating environment.

## Interest Income Recognition

Interest on loans is included in income as earned based upon interest rates applied to unpaid principal. Interest is generally not accrued on loans 120 days or more past due unless the loans are adequately secured and in the process of collection. Interest is not accrued on other loans when management believes collection is doubtful. All loans considered impaired are non-accruing. Interest on non-accruing loans is recognized as payments are received when the ultimate collectibility of interest is no longer considered doubtful. When a loan is placed on non-accrual status, all interest previously accrued is reversed against current-period interest income.

## Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill arose from the 2004 purchase of First National Bank of the Carolinas. Pursuant to Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, goodwill acquired will not be amortized but will be subject to an annual impairment test. The impairment test is a two-step process that begins with a comparison of book value and stock price. If the initial evaluation suggests that an impairment of the asset value exists, the second step would determine the amount of the impairment, if any. If the tests conclude that goodwill is impaired, the carrying value would be adjusted, and an impairment loss would be recorded. As of December 31, 2005 goodwill was not impaired. The Company reviews other identified intangible assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. If the sum of the expected future cash flows is less than the carrying amount of the asset, an impairment loss is recognized.

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## Contractual Obligations

The following table reflects the contractual obligations of the Company outstanding as of December 31, 2005.

|  | On Demand or Less than 1 Year | Payments Due by Period |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1-3 Years <br> (Dol | 4-5 Years ars in thous | After <br> 5 Years <br> ds) | Total |
| Borrowings | \$ 111 | \$ | \$ | \$ 11,000 | \$ 11,111 |
| Securities sold under agreement to repurchase and federal funds sold | 11,733 |  |  |  | 11,733 |
| Capital lease obligation | - 8 | 19 | 33 | 1,642 | 1,702 |
| Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures |  |  |  | 13,918 | 13,918 |
| Operating leases | 511 | 784 | 769 | 2,523 | 4,587 |
| Other contractual obligations | 196 |  |  |  | 196 |
| Total contractual cash obligations, excluding deposits | 12,559 | 803 | 802 | 29,083 | 43,247 |
| Deposits | 290,565 | 43,654 | 11,182 |  | 345,401 |
| Total contractual cash obligations, including deposits | \$ 303,124 | \$ 44,457 | \$ 11,984 | \$ 29,083 | \$ 388,648 |

The $\$ 11.0$ million in borrowings that matures in the After 5 Years column above includes long-term debt that has a call option whereby the lender (the FHLB ) may call the debt in 2006.

It has been the experience of Bancshares that deposit withdrawals are generally replaced with new deposits, thus not requiring any net cash outflow. Based on that assumption, management believes that it can meet its contractual cash obligations from normal operations.

## Commitments, Contingencies and Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

Bancshares is a party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk including commitments to extend credit under existing lines of credit. These instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheet.

Off-balance sheet financial instruments whose contract amounts represent credit and interest rate risk are summarized as follows:

|  | Amount of Commitment Expiration Per Period (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | After |  |  |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Less } \\ \text { than } 1 \text { Year } \end{gathered}$ | 1-3 Years | 4-5 Years | 5 Years | Total |
| Capital South Partnership commitment | 250 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 250 |
| Standby letters of credit | 3,151 |  |  |  | 3,151 |
| Commitments to extend credit | 8,504 |  |  |  | 8,504 |
| Undisbursed lines of credit | 15,510 | 8,264 | 3,480 | 21,720 | 48,974 |
| Undisbursed portion of construction loans | 24,168 |  |  |  | 24,168 |
| Total off-balance sheet commitments | \$ 51,583 | \$ 8,264 | \$ 3,480 | \$ 21,720 | \$ 85,047 |

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Bancshares does not have any special purpose entities or other similar forms of off-balance sheet financing arrangements.

Commitments to originate loans or to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Loan commitments generally expire within 30 to 45 days. Most equity line commitments are for a term of 15 years, and commercial lines of credit are generally renewable on an annual basis. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. Bancshares evaluates each customer screditworthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amounts of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary by Bancshares upon extension of credit, is based on management $s$ credit evaluation of the borrower.

## Related Party Transactions

Bancshares related party transactions for the same three year period have been limited to 1) loans made to executive officers and directors in the ordinary course of business and 2) the lease of certain buildings at prevailing market rates. At December 31, 2005, Bancshares had loans outstanding to executive officers and directors totaling approximately $\$ 10.0$ million. These loans were made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other non-related borrowers. Management does not believe these loans involve more than the normal risk of collectibility or present other unfavorable features. The $\$ 10.0$ million in outstanding related party loans represents $3.0 \%$ of Bancshares total loan portfolio. Bancshares has never charged-off a loan to a related party.

## Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In November 2003, the Emerging Issues Task Force ( EITF ) issued EITF Issue No. 03-1, The Meaning of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment and Its Application to Certain Investments ( EITF 03-1 ). EITF 03-1 provided guidance for evaluating whether an investment is other-than-temporarily impaired and requires certain disclosures with respect to these investments. In September 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued a FASB Staff Position ( FSP EITF 03-1-b ) to delay the requirement to record impairment losses EITF 03-1. The guidance also included accounting considerations subsequent to the recognition of an other-than-temporary impairment and requirements for disclosures about unrealized losses that have not been recognized as other-than-temporary impairments. In November 2005, the FASB issued FSP FAS 115-1 and FAS 124-1, which addresses the determination as to when an investment is considered impaired. This FSP nullifies certain requirements of EITF 03-1 and supersedes EITF Topic No. D-44, Recognition of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment upon the Planned Sale of a Security Whose Cost Exceeds Fair Value. This FSP is to be applied to reporting periods beginning after December 15. 2005. The Company is in process of evaluating the impact of this FSP.

In December 2004, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123(r) ( SFAS No. 123(r) ), Share-Based Payment, which is a revision of FASB Statement No. 123 Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation and supersedes APB Opinion No. 25 Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees . SFAS No. 123(r) requires companies to recognize in the income statement the grant-date fair value of stock options and other equity-based compensation issued to employees over the period during which an employee is required to provide service in exchange for the award, which will often be the shorter of the vesting period of the period the employee will be retirement eligible. SFAS No. 123(r) sets accounting requirements for share-based compensation to employees, including employee-stock purchase plans ( ESPPs ). Awards to most nonemployee directors will be accounted for as employee awards. This Statement was to be effective for public companies that do not file as small business issuers as of the beginning of interim or annual reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2005. In April 2005, the Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ) issued Release No. 2005-57, which defers the effective date of SFAS No. 123(r) for many registrants. Registrants that do not file as small business users must adopt SFAS No. 123(r) as of the beginning of their first annual period beginning after June 15, 2005. Accordingly, the Company will adopt SFAS No. 123(r) on January 1, 2006, and is currently evaluating the effect on its consolidated financial statements. If we had included the cost of employee stock option compensation in our consolidated financial statements, our net income for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 would have decreased by approximately $\$ 51,000, \$ 79,000$ and $\$ 105,000$, respectively. Accordingly, the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R) is not expected to have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

In March 2005, the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 107 ( SAB 107 ), which contains guidance on applying the requirements in SFAS No. 123(r). SAB 107 provides guidance on valuation techniques, development of assumptions used in valuing employee share options and related MD\&A disclosures. SAB 107 is effective for the period in which SFAS No. 123(r) is adopted. The Company will adopt SAB 107 on January 1, 2006, and is currently evaluating the effect on its consolidated financial statements.

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In May 2005, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 154 ( SFAS No. 154 ), Accounting Changes and Error Corrections , which replaces APB Opinion No. 20 Accounting Changes and FASB Statement No. 3 Reporting Accounting Changes in Interim Financial Statements . SFAS No. 154 changes the requirements for the accounting for and reporting of a change in an accounting principle. SFAS No. 154 requires retrospective application for voluntary changes in an accounting principle unless it is impracticable to do so. SFAS No. 154 is effective for accounting changes made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. The Company will adopt SFAS No. 154 on January 1, 2006 with no expected material effect on its consolidated financial statements.

From time to time, the FASB issues exposure drafts for proposed statements of financial accounting standards. Such exposure drafts are subject to comment from the public, to revisions by the FASB and to final issuance by the FASB as statements of financial accounting standards. Management considers the effect of the proposed statements on the consolidated financial statements of the Company and monitors the status of changes to and proposed effective dates of exposure drafts.

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## ITEM 7A QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risk reflects the risk of economic loss resulting from adverse changes in market price and interest rates. This risk of loss can be reflected in diminished current market values and/or reduced potential net interest income in future periods. Our market risk arises primarily from interest rate risk inherent in our lending and deposit-taking activities. The structure of our loan and deposit portfolios is such that a significant decline in interest rates may adversely impact net market values and net interest income. We do not maintain a trading account nor are we subject to currency exchange risk or commodity price risk. Interest rate risk is monitored as part of the Bank s asset/liability management functions. The following table presents information about the contractual maturities, average interest rates and estimated fair values of our financial instruments that are considered market risk sensitive at December 31, 2005.

|  | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 <br> Dollars in | Beyond Five Years ousands) | Total | Average Interest Rate | Estimated <br> Fair Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FINANCIAL ASSETS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment securities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Available for sale | \$ | \$ 1,853 | \$ 3,158 | \$ 4,000 | \$ 6,859 | \$ 47,455 | \$ 63,325 | 4.38\% | \$ 62,127 |
| Held to maturity |  |  |  |  |  | 2,180 | 2,180 | 3.98\% | 2,173 |
| Non-marketable equity |  |  |  |  |  | 1,468 | 1,468 |  | 1,468 |
| Loans | 129,871 | 30,040 | 37,980 | 51,978 | 41,068 | 41,790 | 332,727 | 7.51\% | 333,987 |
| Total | \$ 129,871 | \$ 31,893 | \$ 41,138 | \$ 55,978 | \$ 47,927 | \$ 92,893 | \$ 399,700 |  | \$ 399,755 |

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| Interest-bearing demand accounts | $\$ 32,445$ | $\$ 5,846$ | $\$ 5,846$ | $\$ 5,846$ | $\$ 5,846$ | $\$ 29,380$ | $\$ 85,209$ | $1.27 \%$ | $\$ 80,864$ |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Time deposits | 147,300 | 36,456 | 6,764 | 7,731 | 3,887 |  | 202,138 | $3.54 \%$ | 200,307 |  |
| Borrowings | 11,852 | 8 | 10 | 14 | 19 | 26,561 | 38,464 | $5.15 \%$ | 38,590 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | $\$ 191,597$ | $\$ 42,310$ | $\$ 12,620$ | $\$ 13,591$ | $\$ 9,752$ | $\$ 55,941$ | $\$ 325,811$ |  | $\$ 319,761$ |  |

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ITEM 8 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

AMERICAN COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC.

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors

American Community Bancshares, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Monroe, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of American Community Bancshares, Inc. and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders equity and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2005. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Company s internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of American Community Bancshares, Inc. and Subsidiaries at December 31, 2005 and 2004 and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2005 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Charlotte, North Carolina

March 14, 2006

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## AMERICAN COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

## December 31, 2005 and 2004

|  | 2005 | 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASSETS |  |  |
| Cash and due from banks | \$ 12,495,073 | \$ 9,511,148 |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 4,454,263 | 6,521,007 |
| Investment securities available for sale, at fair value (cost of \$63,324,908 and \$52,002,147 at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively) | 62,127,266 | 51,832,859 |
| Investment securities held to maturity, at cost (fair value approximates \$2,173,261 and \$2,193,268 at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively) | 2,180,222 | 2,185,951 |
| Loans | 332,707,645 | 307,987,863 |
| Allowance for loan losses | $(4,331,154)$ | $(3,487,548)$ |
| NET LOANS | 328,376,491 | 304,500,315 |
| Accrued interest receivable | 2,432,213 | 1,696,701 |
| Bank premises and equipment | 9,659,897 | 8,740,588 |
| Foreclosed real estate | 386,358 | 311,071 |
| Non-marketable equity securities, at cost | 1,995,874 | 2,040,299 |
| Goodwill | 9,838,173 | 9,838,173 |
| Other assets | 2,725,405 | 2,279,530 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ 436,671,235 | \$ 399,457,642 |

## LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

| Deposits |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Demand - noninterest-bearing | $58,054,320$ | $\$ 45,501,369$ |
| Savings | $11,509,864$ | $11,501,456$ |
| Money market and NOW | $73,699,214$ | $69,168,911$ |
| Time | $202,137,861$ | $180,493,620$ |
|  |  |  |
| TOTAL DEPOSITS | $345,401,259$ | $306,665,356$ |
| Borrowings | $11,111,111$ | $12,777,778$ |
| Securities sold under agreement to repurchase and federal funds purchased | $11,732,738$ | $25,762,879$ |
| Capital lease obligation | $1,702,350$ | $1,709,896$ |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities | $1,919,290$ | $1,651,357$ |
| Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures | $13,918,260$ | $13,918,260$ |

TOTAL LIABILITIES
385,785,008 362,485,526

| Stockholders Equity |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Preferred stock, no par value, $1,000,000$ shares authorized; none issued |  |  |
| Common stock, $\$ 1$ par value, $9,000,000$ shares authorized, $4,568,673$ and $3,489,249$ shares issued and |  |  |
| outstanding at | $4,568,673$ | $3,489,249$ |
| December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively | $38,881,954$ | $29,054,479$ |
| Additional paid-in capital | $8,178,434$ | $4,531,618$ |
| Retained earnings | $(742,834)$ | $(103,230)$ |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss |  |  |


| TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS | EQUITY | $50,886,227$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |

See accompanying notes.

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## AMERICAN COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

## Years Ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

|  | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INTEREST INCOME |  |  |  |
| Loans, including fees | \$ 23,062,245 | \$ 16,387,241 | \$ 11,760,641 |
| Investment securities: |  |  |  |
| Taxable | 2,051,393 | 1,617,946 | 1,165,636 |
| Tax-exempt | 177,539 | 122,121 | 53,907 |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 293,136 | 89,276 | 74,781 |
| TOTAL INTEREST INCOME | 25,584,313 | 18,216,584 | 13,054,965 |
| INTEREST EXPENSE |  |  |  |
| Money market, NOW and savings deposits | 1,049,189 | 404,119 | 313,515 |
| Time deposits | 6,240,853 | 4,058,070 | 3,707,276 |
| Borrowings | 483,940 | 545,181 | 579,540 |
| Securities sold under agreement to repurchase and federal funds purchased | 300,573 | 292,543 | 83,521 |
| Capital lease obligation | 140,512 | 140,688 | 140,506 |
| Junior subordinated debentures | 965,055 | 779,595 |  |
| Trust preferred securities |  |  | 344,751 |
| TOTAL INTEREST EXPENSE | 9,180,122 | 6,220,196 | 5,169,109 |
| NET INTEREST INCOME | 16,404,191 | 11,996,388 | 7,885,856 |
| PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES | 809,248 | 573,502 | 783,611 |
| NET INTEREST INCOME AFTER |  |  |  |
| PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES | 15,594,943 | 11,422,886 | 7,102,245 |
| NON-INTEREST INCOME |  |  |  |
| Service charges on deposit accounts | 2,305,475 | 2,305,688 | 1,739,835 |
| Mortgage banking operations | 384,633 | 364,506 | 516,942 |
| Accounts receivable financing | 109,502 | 85,194 | 93,680 |
| Gain on sale of investment securities | 10,200 | 106,290 |  |
| Gain on sale of assets | 68,210 | 27,504 |  |
| Rental income | 93,816 | 80,320 | 63,821 |
| Other | 322,020 | 367,964 | 230,190 |
| TOTAL NON-INTEREST INCOME | 3,293,856 | 3,337,466 | 2,644,468 |


| NON-INTEREST EXPENSE |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Salaries and employee benefits | $5,738,770$ | $4,860,411$ | $3,854,140$ |
| Occupancy and equipment | $2,150,584$ | $1,755,367$ | $1,362,645$ |
| Other | $3,852,910$ | $3,784,705$ | $2,334,913$ |
| TOTAL NON-INTEREST EXPENSE | $11,742,264$ | $10,400,483$ | $7,551,698$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES | $7,146,535$ | $4,359,869$ | $2,195,015$ |


| INCOME TAXES | 2,639,000 |  | 1,616,665 |  | 807,000 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NET INCOME | \$ | 4,507,535 | \$ | 2,743,204 | \$ | 1,388,015 |
| NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | . 71 | \$ | . 56 | \$ | . 33 |
| Diluted | \$ | . 66 | \$ | . 50 | \$ | . 32 |
| WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic |  | 6,364,336 |  | 4,912,256 |  | 4,236,564 |
| Diluted |  | 6,819,523 |  | 5,513,361 |  | 4,315,951 |

See accompanying notes.

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## AMERICAN COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

## Years Ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

|  | Common stock | Additional |  | Accumulated <br> other | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

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## AMERICAN COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

## Years Ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

|  | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$ 4,507,535 | \$ 2,743,204 | \$ 1,388,015 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: |  |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | 1,219,199 | 1,202,223 | 1,003,987 |
| Provision for loan losses | 809,248 | 573,502 | 783,611 |
| Deferred income taxes | 558,104 | 36,842 | 142,939 |
| Gain on sale of investment securities | $(10,200)$ | $(106,290)$ |  |
| Loss on sale of foreclosed real estate | 116,133 | 6,599 | 22,882 |
| (Gain) loss on disposal of fixed assets |  | $(26,856)$ | 760 |
| Increase (decrease) in capital lease obligation | $(7,546)$ | 2,317 | 2,134 |
| Change in assets and liabilities: |  |  |  |
| Increase in accrued interest receivable | $(735,512)$ | $(319,870)$ | $(176,457)$ |
| Decrease (increase) in other assets | $(722,028)$ | 632,557 | $(260,132)$ |
| Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses and other liabilities | 267,933 | 34,845 | $(351,513)$ |
| NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES | 6,002,866 | 4,779,073 | 2,556,226 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES |  |  |  |
| Purchases of securities available for sale | $(25,574,332)$ | $(22,299,658)$ | $(55,073,513)$ |
| Purchases of securities held to maturity |  | $(300,000)$ | $(1,894,095)$ |
| Proceeds from sales of securities available for sale | 2,801,183 | 10,837,401 |  |
| Proceeds from maturities, calls and principal re-payments of securities available for sale | 11,227,575 | 16,593,908 | 31,782,975 |
| Net increase in loans from originations and repayments | $(25,168,109)$ | $(47,206,857)$ | $(39,588,410)$ |
| Purchases of bank premises and equipment | $(1,866,423)$ | $(1,151,381)$ | $(1,206,596)$ |
| Proceeds from sale of bank premises and equipment |  | 148,554 |  |
| Proceeds from sale of foreclosed real estate | 364,721 | 89,401 | 98,837 |
| Investment in non-marketable equity securities | $(98,875)$ | $(582,438)$ | $(341,700)$ |
| Redemption of non-marketable equity securities | 143,300 |  |  |
| Net cash disbursed in business combination |  | $(2,706,716)$ |  |
| NET CASH USED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES | $(38,170,960)$ | (46,577,786) | $(66,222,502)$ |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES |  |  |  |
| Net increase in demand deposits | 17,091,662 | 24,312,865 | 23,807,079 |
| Net increase in time deposits | 21,644,241 | 12,921,709 | 10,041,274 |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock | 10,906,899 | 327,673 | 11,197 |
| Proceeds from issuance of trust preferred securities |  |  | 10,000,000 |
| Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank |  |  | 7,000,000 |
| Repayment of Federal Home Loan Bank advances | $(1,666,667)$ | $(2,666,666)$ | $(2,555,556)$ |
| Cash dividends paid on common stock | $(860,719)$ | $(282,571)$ | $(225,950)$ |
| Net increase (decrease) in securities sold under agreement to repurchase and federal funds purchased | (14,030,141) | 4,876,248 | 17,091,628 |
| NET CASH PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES | 33,085,275 | 39,489,258 | 65,169,672 |
| NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN |  |  |  |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS | 917,181 | $(2,309,455)$ | 1,503,396 |


| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING | $16,032,155$ | $18,341,610$ | $16,838,214$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, ENDING | $\$ 16,949,336$ | $\$ 16,032,155$ | $\$ 18,341,610$ |

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

## Years Ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

|  | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION: |  |  |  |
| Purchase of FNB Bancshares, Inc. |  |  |  |
| Loans, net of reserves | \$ | \$ (56,153,741) | \$ |
| Investment securities available for sale |  | $(7,421,103)$ |  |
| Non-marketable equity securities |  | $(416,161)$ |  |
| Bank premises and equipment |  | $(3,070,947)$ |  |
| Deferred tax asset |  | $(108,308)$ |  |
| Other assets acquired |  | $(1,409,580)$ |  |
| Goodwill |  | $(9,838,173)$ |  |
| Deposits |  | 61,267,531 |  |
| Securities sold under agreement to repurchase |  | 1,219,406 |  |
| Borrowings |  | 2,000,000 |  |
| Other liabilities assumed |  | 1,035,098 |  |
| Fair value of options exchanged |  | 1,615,865 |  |
| Issuance of stock |  | 8,573,397 |  |
| Net cash distributed in business combination | \$ | \$ (2,706,716) | \$ |
| Cash paid during the year for: |  |  |  |
| Interest | \$ 9,046,935 | \$ 6,046,108 | \$ 5,132,471 |
| Income taxes | 1,572,000 | 1,168,952 | 1,130,523 |
| SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES: |  |  |  |
| Transfer of loans to foreclosed assets | \$ 482,685 | \$ 290,461 | 116,610 |
| Change in unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities, net of tax | $(639,604)$ | $(194,109)$ | $(60,810)$ |
| See accompanying notes. |  |  |  |

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## AMERICAN COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

## NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

In April 2000, American Community Bancshares, Inc. ( Bancshares ) was formed as a holding company for American Community Bank. Upon formation, one share of Bancshares \$1 par value common stock was exchanged for each of the then outstanding $1,492,063$ shares of American Community Bank s $\$ 5$ par value common stock. Bancshares currently has no material operations and conducts no business on its own other than owning its wholly owned subsidiary, American Community Bank.

American Community Bank ( American Community ) was incorporated on November 13, 1998 and began banking operations on November 16, 1998. The Bank is engaged in general commercial and retail banking in Union and Mecklenburg Counties of North Carolina and Cherokee and York Counties of South Carolina, operating under the banking laws of North Carolina and the rules and regulations of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the North Carolina Commissioner of Banks. The Bank undergoes periodic examinations by those regulatory authorities.

First National Bank of the Carolinas ( First National ) commenced operations on October 18, 1996 and was purchased by Bancshares on April 15, 2004. First National was merged into American Community on April 1, 2005.

## NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of American Community Bancshares, Inc. and American Community Bank, together referred to herein as the Company. All significant inter-company transactions and balances are eliminated in consolidation.

## Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements 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 relate to the determination of the allowance for loan losses.

## Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the statements of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents are defined as those amounts included in the balance sheet captions cash and due from banks and interest-earning deposits with banks.

## Investment Securities

Investment securities for which the Company has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity are reported at cost, adjusted for premiums and discounts that are recognized in interest income using the interest method over the period to maturity. Available-for-sale securities are reported at fair value and consist of securities not classified as trading securities or as held-to-maturity securities. Unrealized holding gains and losses on available-for-sale securities, net of deferred income taxes, are reported as a net amount in other comprehensive income. Gains and losses on the sale of available-for-sale securities are determined using the specific-identification method.

Declines in the fair value of individual held-to-maturity and available-for-sale securities below their cost that are other than temporary would result in write-downs of the individual securities to their fair value. Such write-downs would be included in earnings.

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Premiums and discounts are recognized in interest income using the interest method over the period to maturity.

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## NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Loans

Loans that management has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity are reported at their outstanding principal adjusted for any charge-offs, the allowance for loan losses, and any deferred fees or costs on originated loans and unamortized premiums or discounts on purchased loans. Interest on loans is accrued on the unpaid principal balance outstanding. Loan origination fees and certain direct origination costs are capitalized and recognized as an adjustment of the yield of the related loan. The accrual of interest on impaired/non-accrual loans is discontinued when, in management s opinion, the borrower may be unable to meet payments as they become due. When interest accrual is discontinued, all unpaid accrued interest is reversed. Interest income is subsequently recognized only to the extent cash payments are received after the principal balance has been fully collected. Loans are removed from non-accrual status when they become current as to both principal and interest and when concern no longer exists as to the collectibility of principal and interest. In all cases, loans are placed on non-accrual or charged off at an earlier date if collection of principal or interest is considered doubtful.

## Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is established as probable losses are estimated to have occurred through a provision for loan losses charged to earnings. The provision for loan losses is based upon management $s$ best estimate of the amount needed to maintain the allowance for loan losses at an adequate level. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectibility of a loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance.

The allowance for loan losses is evaluated on a regular basis by management and is based upon management speriodic review of the collectibility of the loans in light of the current status of the portfolio, historical experience, the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrower s ability to repay, estimated value of any underlying collateral, and prevailing economic conditions. Management segments the loan portfolio by loan type in considering each of the aforementioned factors and their impact upon the level of the allowance for loan losses. While management uses the best information available to make evaluations, future adjustments to the allowance may be necessary if conditions differ substantially from the assumptions used in making the evaluations. In addition, regulatory examiners may require American Community Bank to recognize changes to the allowance for loan losses based on their judgments about information available to them at the time of their examination.

Loans are considered impaired when it is probable that all amounts due under the contractual terms of the loan will not be collected. The measurement of impaired loans is generally based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the historical effective interest rate, or upon the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. If the recorded investment in the loan exceeds the measure of fair value, a valuation allowance is established as a component of the allowance for loan losses.

## Foreclosed Real Estate

Real estate acquired through, or in lieu of, loan foreclosure is held for sale and is initially recorded at fair value at the date of foreclosure, establishing a new cost basis. Subsequent to foreclosure, valuations are periodically performed by management and the assets are carried at the lower of carrying amount or fair value less cost to sell. Revenue and expenses from operations are included in other expenses.

## Bank Premises and Equipment

Bank premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line method over the shorter of the estimated useful lives of the assets or, for those assets leased under capital leases, the lease term. Estimated useful lives are 30 years for buildings and 3 to 7 years for furniture and equipment. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the terms of the respective leases or the estimated useful lives of the improvements, whichever is shorter. Repairs and maintenance costs are charged to operations as incurred, and

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additions and improvements to premises and equipment are capitalized. Upon sale or retirement, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any gains or losses are reflected in current operations.

Non-marketable equity securities

As a requirement for membership, the Bank invests in stock of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta ( FHLB ), Bankers Bank, and the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. In addition, the Bank also invests in other equity investments for which the stock is not publicly traded. These investments are carried at cost.

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## NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Intangible Assets

Goodwill, which represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of net assets acquired in a business combination, is tested at least annually for impairment. The impairment test is a two-step process that begins with a comparison of book value and stock price. If the initial evaluation suggests that an impairment of the asset value exists, the second step would determine the amount of the impairment, if any. If the tests conclude that goodwill is impaired, the carrying value would be adjusted, and an impairment loss would be recorded. Subject to the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, other intangible assets, which consist entirely of deposit base premiums acquired through business acquisitions, are amortized over the lives of the related acquired deposit relationships. In accordance with the Company s estimate of approximate lives of the acquired deposit relationships, an 8 year straight-line amortization schedule has been established for the other intangible assets. The Company will continue to evaluate amortization periods and such amortization periods could be revised downwards (but not upwards) in the future if circumstances warrant.

## Income Taxes

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax consequences attributable to differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. Deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance if it is more likely than not that the tax benefits will not be realized.

## Stock Compensation Plans

SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, encourages all entities to adopt a fair value based method of accounting for employee stock compensation plans, whereby compensation cost is measured at the grant date based on the value of the award and is recognized over the service period, which is usually the vesting period. However, it also allows an entity to continue to measure compensation cost for those plans using the intrinsic value based method of accounting prescribed by Accounting Principles Board ( APB ) Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, whereby compensation cost is the excess, if any, of the quoted market price of the stock at the grant date (or other measurement date) over the amount an employee must pay to acquire the stock. Stock options issued under the Company s stock option plans have no intrinsic value at the grant date and, under Opinion No. 25, no compensation cost is recognized for them. The Company has elected to continue with the accounting methodology in Opinion No. 25 and, as a result, has provided pro forma disclosures of net income and earnings per share and other disclosures as if the fair value based method of accounting had been applied.

At December 31, 2005, the Company had four stock-based compensation plans which are more fully described in Note 17. The Company accounts for compensation costs related to the Company s stock option plans using the intrinsic value method. Therefore, no compensation costs have been recognized for stock option awards because the options are granted at exercise prices based on the market value of the Company s stock on the date of grant. Had compensation costs for the Company s stock option plans been determined using the fair value method, the Company s pro forma net income would have been as follows:

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ <br> (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net income: | $\$ 4,508$ | $\$ 2,743$ | $\$ 1,388$ |
| As reported | $\$ 003$ |  |  |
| Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value method for all awards, <br> net of related tax effects | $(51)$ | (79) | (105) |

Pro forma $\quad \$ 4,457 \quad \$ 2,664 \quad \$ 1,283$

Basic net income per share:

| As reported | $\$ 0.71$ | $\$$ | 0.56 | $\$$ | 0.33 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Proforma | 0.70 |  | 0.54 | 0.30 |  |
| Diluted net income per share: | $\$ 0.66$ | $\$ 0.50$ | $\$ 0.32$ |  |  |
| As reported | 0.65 | 0.48 | 0.30 |  |  |
| Proforma |  |  |  |  |  |

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## NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Comprehensive Income

Accounting principles generally require that recognized revenue, expenses, gains and losses be included in net income. Although certain changes in assets and liabilities, such as unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities, are reported as a separate component of the equity section of the balance sheet, such items, along with net income, are components of comprehensive income. The Company s only component of accumulated other comprehensive income is unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities.

The components of other comprehensive income and related tax effects are as follows:

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Unrealized holding losses on available-for-sale securities | $\$(1,018,154)$ | $\$(207,647)$ | $\$(81,941)$ |
| Tax effect | 384,894 | 78,906 | 21,131 |
| Net of tax amount | $(633,260)$ | $(128,741)$ | $(60,810)$ |
| Reclassification adjustment for gains realized in income | $(10,200)$ | $(106,290)$ |  |
| Tax effect | 3,856 | 40,922 |  |
| Net of tax amount | $(6,344)$ | $(65,368)$ |  |
| Total net of tax amount | $\$(639,604)$ | $\$(194,109)$ | $\$(60,810)$ |

## Per Share Results

Basic and diluted net income per common share have been computed by dividing net income for each period by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during each period after retroactively adjusting for the stock dividends.

Basic earnings per common share represents income available to common stockholders divided by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per common share reflect additional common shares that would have been outstanding if dilutive potential common shares had been issued, as well as any adjustment to income that would result from the assumed issuance. Potential common shares that may be issued by the Company relate solely to outstanding stock options and warrants and are determined using the treasury stock method.

Basic and diluted net income per share have been computed based upon net income as presented in the accompanying statements of operations divided by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding or assumed to be outstanding as summarized below:

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 3}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Weighted average number of common shares used in computing basic net income per share | $6,364,336$ | $4,912,256$ | $4,236,564$ |
| Effect of dilutive stock options and warrants | 455,187 | 601,105 | 79,387 |

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Weighted average number of common shares and dilutive potential common shares used in computing diluted net income per share

For the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, there were no options that were anti-dilutive for the year. For the year ended December 31, 2003, there were 19,000 options that were anti-dilutive since the exercise price exceeded the average market price for the year. Anti-dilutive options are omitted from the calculation of diluted earnings per share.

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## NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Segment Reporting


#### Abstract

SFAS No. 131, Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information, requires management to report selected financial and descriptive information about reportable operating segments. It also establishes standards for related disclosures about products and services, geographic areas, and major customers. Generally, disclosures are required for segments internally identified to evaluate performance and resource allocation. In all material respects, the Company s operations are entirely within the commercial banking segment, and the consolidated financial statements presented herein reflect the results of that segment. The Company has no foreign operations or customers.


## Recent Accounting Pronouncements

## FIN 46

In January 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued FASB interpretation No. (FIN) 46, Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities. This interpretation addresses the consolidation by business enterprises of variable interest entities as defined in the interpretation. In December 2003, the FASB issued a revision to FIN 46 (FIN 46R) to clarify some of the provision of FIN 46 and to exempt certain entities from its requirements. FIN 46R is effective for public entities that have interests in structures that are commonly referred to as special-purpose entities for periods ending after December 15, 2003. Application by small business issuers to variable interest entities other than special-purpose entities is required for periods ending after December 15, 2004. FIN 46R may be applied prospectively with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date it is first applied, or by restating previously issued financial statements with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the beginning of the first year restated. FIN 46R also required certain disclosures of an entity s relationship with variable interest entities.

The Company s adoption of FIN 46R resulted in deconsolidation of the Company s trust preferred subsidiaries, American Community Capital Trust I ( Capital Trust I ) and American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd ( Capital Trust II ) which were created for the sole purpose of issuing trust preferred securities. Historically, the junior subordinated debentures issued by the Company to the Trusts were included in trust preferred securities in the consolidated balance sheets. As a result of the implementation of FIN 46R, the Company s investment in the common equity of the trusts is now included in the consolidated balance sheets in other assets. In addition, trust preferred securities have been deconsolidated and junior subordinated debentures are now reflected on the balance sheet.

## EITF 03-01

In November 2003, the Emerging Issues Task Force ( EITF ) issued EITF Issue No. 03-1, The Meaning of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment and Its Application to Certain Investments ( EITF 03-1 ). EITF 03-1 provided guidance for evaluating whether an investment is other-than-temporarily impaired and requires certain disclosures with respect to these investments. In September 2004, the FASB issued a FASB Staff Position ( FSP EITF 03-1-b ) to delay the requirement to record impairment losses EITF 03-1. The guidance also included accounting considerations subsequent to the recognition of an other-than-temporary impairment and requirements for disclosures about unrealized losses that have not been recognized as other-than-temporary impairments. In November 2005, the FASB issued FSP FAS 115-1 and FAS 124-1, which addresses the determination as to when an investment is considered impaired. This FSP nullifies certain requirements of EITF 03-1 and supersedes EITF Topic No. D-44, Recognition of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment upon the Planned Sale of a Security Whose Cost Exceeds Fair Value. This FSP is to be applied to reporting periods beginning after December 15. 2005. The Company is in process of evaluating the impact of this FSP.

## SFAS 123(r)

In December 2004, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123(r) ( SFAS No. 123(r) ), Share-Based Payment, which is a revision of FASB Statement No. 123 Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation and supersedes APB Opinion No. 25 Accounting for Stock

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Issued to Employees. SFAS No. 123(r) requires companies to recognize in the income statement the grant-date fair value of stock options and other equity-based compensation issued to employees over the period during which an employee is required to provide service in exchange for the award, which will often be the shorter of the vesting period or the period until the employee will be retirement eligible. SFAS No. 123(r) sets accounting requirements for share-based compensation to employees, including employee-stock purchase plans ( ESPPs ). Awards to most nonemployee directors will be accounted for as employee awards. This Statement was to be effective for public companies that do not file as small business issuers as of the beginning of interim or annual reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2005. In April 2005, the Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ) issued Release No. 2005-57, which defers the effective date of SFAS No. 123(r) for many registrants. Registrants that do not file as small business users must adopt SFAS No. 123(r) as of the beginning of their

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first annual period beginning after June 15, 2005. Accordingly, the Company will adopt SFAS No. 123(r) on January 1, 2006, and is currently evaluating the effect on its consolidated financial statements. If the Company had included the cost of employee stock option compensation in the consolidated financial statements, net income for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 would have decreased by approximately $\$ 51,000, \$ 79,000$ and $\$ 105,000$, respectively. Accordingly, the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R) is not expected to have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

## SAB 107

In March 2005, the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 107 ( SAB 107 ), which contains guidance on applying the requirements in SFAS No. 123(r). SAB 107 provides guidance on valuation techniques, development of assumptions used in valuing employee share options and related MD\&A disclosures. SAB 107 is effective for the period in which SFAS No. 123(r) is adopted. The Company will adopt SAB 107 on January 1, 2006, and is currently evaluating the effect on its consolidated financial statements.

## SFAS 154

In May 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections, which replaces APB Opinion No. 20 Accounting Changes and FASB Statement No. 3 Reporting Accounting Changes in Interim Financial Statements. SFAS No. 154 changes the requirements for the accounting for and reporting of a change in an accounting principle. SFAS No. 154 requires retrospective application for voluntary changes in an accounting principle unless it is impracticable to do so. SFAS No. 154 is effective for accounting changes made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. The Company will adopt SFAS No. 154 on January 1, 2006 with no expected material effect on its consolidated financial statements.

## Reclassifications

Certain amounts in the 2004 and 2003 consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2005 presentation. The reclassifications had no effect on net income or stockholders equity as previously reported.

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## Years Ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

## NOTE 3 - INVESTMENT SECURITIES

The following is a summary of the securities portfolio by major classification at December 31, 2005 and 2004:

|  | 2005 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Amortized Cost |  | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | Fair Value |
| Securities available for sale: |  |  |  |  |  |
| U. S. Government agencies | \$ 15,769,977 | \$ | 21,373 | \$ 129,351 | \$ 15,661,999 |
| Mortgage-backed securities | 42,791,059 |  | 15,899 | 1,082,183 | 41,724,775 |
| State and municipal bonds 4, 4,357,064 17,361 44,081 4,330,344 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 62,918,100 |  | 54,633 | 1,255,615 | 61,717,118 |
| Marketable equity securities | 406,808 |  | 3,340 |  | 410,148 |
| Total securities available for sale | \$ 63,324,908 |  | 57,973 | \$ 1,255,615 | \$ 62,127,266 |


|  |  | Gross <br> Amortized <br> Costrealized <br> Gains | Gross <br> Unrealized <br> Losses | Value |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Securities held to maturity: | $\$ 2,180,222$ | $\$$ | 7,634 | $\$$ | 14,595 | $\$$ | $2,173,261$ |
| State and municipal bonds | $\$ 2,180,222$ | $\$$ | 7,634 | $\$$ | 14,595 | $\$$ | $2,173,261$ |


|  | 2004 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Amortized Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains |  | Gross nrealized Losses | Fair Value |
| Securities available for sale: |  |  |  |  |  |
| U. S. Government agencies | \$ 5,802,765 | 1,501 | \$ | 26,181 | \$ 5,778,085 |
| Mortgage-backed securities | 44,690,312 | 85,199 |  | 262,564 | 44,512,947 |
| State and municipal bonds | 1,102,262 | 30,242 |  |  | 1,132,504 |
|  | 51,595,339 | 116,942 |  | 288,745 | 51,423,536 |
| Marketable equity securities | 406,808 | 2,515 |  |  | 409,323 |
| Total securities available for sale | \$ 52,002,147 | \$ 119,457 | \$ | 288,745 | \$ 51,832,859 |


|  |  |  | Gross <br> Unortized <br> Caized <br> Cost | Gross <br> Unrealized <br> Losses | Value |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

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## NOTE 3 - INVESTMENT SECURITIES (Continued)

The amortized cost and fair values of securities (excluding marketable equity securities) at December 31, 2005 by contractual maturity are shown below. Actual expected maturities may differ from contractual maturities because issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations.

|  | At December 31, 2005 <br> Fair |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | Amortized <br> Cost | Value |
| Due within one year | $\$$ | $\$$ |
| Due after one year through five years | $15,262,888$ | $15,137,052$ |
| Due after five years through ten years | $13,382,372$ | $13,050,855$ |
| Due after ten years | $36,453,062$ | $35,702,472$ |
|  |  |  |
| Total | $\$ 65,098,322$ | $\$ 63,890,379$ |

For purposes of the maturity table, mortgage-backed securities, which are not due at a single maturity date, have been allocated over maturity groupings based on the weighted-average contractual maturities of underlying collateral. The mortgage-backed securities may mature earlier than their weighted-average contractual maturities because of principal prepayments.

For the year ended December 31, 2005, proceeds from sales of investment securities available for sale amounted to $\$ 2,801,183$. Gross realized gains in 2005 from these sales amounted to $\$ 10,200$. For the year December 31 2004, proceeds from sales of investment securities available for sale amounted to $\$ 10,837,401$. Gross realized gains in 2004 from these sales amounted to $\$ 106,290$. There were no sales of investment securities for the year ended December 31, 2003.

Securities with carrying values of $\$ 4,832,475$ and $\$ 5,953,562$ at December 31,2005 and 2004, respectively, were pledged to secure public monies on deposit as required by law.

The following tables show investment gross unrealized losses and fair values, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, at December 31, 2005 and 2004. The unrealized losses relate to debt securities that have incurred fair value reductions due to higher market interest rates since the securities were purchased. The unrealized losses are not likely to reverse unless and until market interest rates decline to the levels that existed when the securities were purchased. Since none of the unrealized losses relate to the marketability of the securities or the issuer s ability to honor redemption obligations, none of the securities are deemed to be other than temporarily impaired.

|  | 2005 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Less Than 12 Months Fair |  |  | 12 Months or More Fair |  |  |  | Fair Total |  |
|  | value |  | nrealized losses |  | value |  | nrealized losses | value | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Unrealized } \\ & \text { losses } \end{aligned}$ |
| Securities available for sale: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. government agencies | \$ 12,246,249 | \$ | 103,701 | \$ | 974,350 | \$ | 25,650 | \$ 13,220,599 | \$ 129,351 |
| Mortgage-backed securities | 15,800,761 |  | 353,295 |  | 23,460,919 |  | 728,888 | 39,261,680 | 1,082,183 |

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| State and municipal bonds | $3,168,349$ | 44,081 | $3,168,349$ | 44,081 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Held to maturity: | $1,412,188$ | 14,595 | $1,412,188$ | 14,595 |  |
| State and municipal bonds |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total temporarily impaired securities | $\$ 32,627,547$ | $\$ 515,672$ | $\$ 24,435,269$ | $\$ 754,538$ | $\$ 57,062,816$ | $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 2 7 0 , 2 1 0}$

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## NOTE 3 - INVESTMENT SECURITIES (Continued)

|  | Less Than 1 Fair |  | 12 Months or More Fair |  | Fair ${ }^{\text {To }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | value | Unrealized losses | value | Unrealized losses | value | Unrealized losses |
| Securities available for sale: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. government agencies | \$ 3,778,705 | \$ 26,181 | \$ | \$ | \$ 3,778,705 | \$ 26,181 |
| Mortgage-backed securities | 35,187,866 | 248,105 | 1,135,379 | 14,459 | 36,323,245 | 262,564 |
| Held to maturity: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| State and political | 1,124,466 | 4,815 |  |  | 1,124,466 | 4,815 |
| Total temporarily impaired securities | \$ 40,091,037 | \$ 279,101 | \$ 1,135,379 | \$ 14,459 | \$ 41,226,416 | \$ 293,560 |

## NOTE 4 NON-MARKETABLE EQUITY SECURITIES CARRIED AT COST

The aggregate cost of the Company s cost method investments totaled $\$ 1,995,874$ at December 31, 2005. Investments with an aggregate cost of $\$ 527,737$ were not evaluated for impairment because (a) the Company did not estimate the fair value of those investments in accordance with paragraphs 14 and 15 of Statement 107 and (b) the Company did not identify any events or changes in circumstances that may have had a significant adverse effect on the fair value of those investments. Of the remaining $\$ 1,468,137$ of investments, securities in the Federal Home Loan Bank and The Bankers Bank amounted to $\$ 1,383,900$ and $\$ 84,237$, respectively, at December 31, 2005. Because of the redemption provisions of issuers, the Company estimated that the fair value equaled or exceeded the cost of these investments and the investments were not impaired.

## NOTE 5 - LOANS AND THE ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES

Following is a summary of loans at December 31, 2005 and 2004:

|  |  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ <br> Amount | Percent | Amount |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Percent |  |  |  |  |

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| Allowance for loan losses | $(4,331,154)$ | $(3,487,548)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Net unamortized deferred costs | $(19,368)$ | $(114,158)$ |
| Total | $\$ 328.376,491$ | $\$ 304,500,315$ |

Loans are primarily made in Union and Mecklenburg Counties of North Carolina and Cherokee and York Counties of South Carolina. Real estate loans can be affected by the condition of the local real estate market. Commercial and installment loans can be affected by the local economic conditions.

At December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively, there were $\$ 1,402,001$ and $\$ 1,116,893$ of loans past due 90 days or more which were still accruing interest. Impaired loans consist entirely of non-accrual loans and leases which aggregated $\$ 951,094$ and $\$ 881,280$ and had related allowances for loan losses of $\$ 296,095$ and $\$ 121,678$ at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively. The average recorded investment in impaired loans during the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 was $\$ 851,000$ and $\$ 518,000$, respectively. Non-accrual loans did not materially affect interest income for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003.

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## NOTE 5 - LOANS AND THE ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

The Company has granted loans to certain directors and executive officers of the Bank and their related interests. Such loans are made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other borrowers and, in management s opinion, do not involve more than the normal risk of collectibility. All loans to directors and executive officers or their interests are submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. A summary of loans to directors, executive officers and their related interests follows:

| Loans to directors and officers as a group at January 1, 2005 | $\$ 7,310,905$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Disbursements during the year ended December 31, 2005 | $5,607,861$ |
| Amounts collected during the year ended December 31, 2005 | $(2,944,002)$ |
|  |  |
| Loans to directors and officers as a group at December 31, 2005 | $\$ 9,974,764$ |

At December 31, 2005, the Company had pre-approved but unused lines of credit totaling $\$ 2,534,062$ to directors, executive officers and their related interests.

An analysis of the allowance for loan losses follows:

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balance at beginning of year | $\$ 3,487,548$ | $\$ 2,528,825$ | $\$ 2,375,000$ |
| Provision charged to operations | 809,248 | 573,502 | 783,611 |
| Charge-offs | 80,848 | 339,980 | 664,741 |
| Recoveries | $(115,206)$ | $(40,124)$ | $(34,955)$ |
| Net charge-offs (recoveries) | $(34,358)$ | 299,856 | 629,786 |
| Allowance acquired from First National merger |  | 685,077 |  |
| Balance at end of year | $\$ 4,331,154$ | $\$ 3,487,548$ | $\$ 2,528,825$ |

## NOTE 6 - BANK PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

Following is a summary of bank premises and equipment at December 31, 2005 and 2004:

| Land | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ |  |
| $1,667,740$ | $\$ \quad 1,711,328$ |


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| :--- | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Buildings and leasehold improvements | $7,129,445$ | $5,917,184$ |  |
| Furniture and equipment | $4,029,610$ | $3,348,280$ |  |
| Construction in progress |  | 59,872 |  |
|  | $12,826,795$ | $11,036,664$ |  |
| Accumulated depreciation and amortization | $(3,166,898)$ | $(2,296,076)$ |  |
| Total | $\$ 9,659,897$ | $\$ 8,740,588$ |  |

Depreciation and amortization expense amounting to $\$ 873,658, \$ 769,584$ and $\$ 505,528$ for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively, is included in occupancy and equipment expense.

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## NOTE 7 - DEPOSITS

Time deposits in denominations of $\$ 100,000$ or more were $\$ 114,102,020$ and $\$ 96,903,175$ at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

At December 31, 2005, the scheduled maturities of certificates of deposit were as follows:

|  | \$100,000 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 100,000 \end{aligned}$ |  | or more | Total |
| 2006 | \$ 62,529,419 | \$ | 84,771,802 | \$ 147,301,221 |
| 2007 | 18,008,606 |  | 18,881,689 | 36,890,295 |
| 2008 | 4,044,423 |  | 2,719,465 | 6,763,888 |
| 2009 | 2,128,569 |  | 5,597,332 | 7,725,901 |
| 2010 | 1,324,824 |  | 2,131,732 | 3,456,556 |
| Thereafter |  |  |  |  |
| Total | \$88,035,841 |  | 14,102,020 | \$ 202,137,861 |

## NOTE 8 - BORROWINGS

Borrowings consist of advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta, securities sold under agreements to repurchase, federal funds purchased, and obligations under a capitalized lease for the Bank s main office facility. At December 31, 2005 and 2004, Federal Home Loan Bank advances were as follows:

| $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ |  | Call Feature | Amount | Rate |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Due on February 24, 2006 | None | $\$$ | 111,111 | $2.16 \%$ Fixed |
| Due on December 19, 2011 | Callable by FHLB on December 19, 2006 | $5,000,000$ | $4.85 \%$ Fixed |  |
| Due on July 16, 2012 | Callable by FHLB on January 18, 2005 | $1,000,000$ | $3.90 \%$ Fixed |  |
| Due on February 25, 2013 | Callable by FHLB on February 25, 2005 | $5,000,000$ | $3.45 \%$ Fixed |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Total FHLB borrowings/weighted average rate |  | $\$ 11,111,111$ | $4.11 \%$ |  |


| 2004 |  | Call Feature | Amount |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Due on October 3, 2005 | None | $\$ 1,000,000$ | $2.00 \%$ Fixed |
| Due on February 24, 2006 | None | 777,778 | $2.16 \%$ Fixed |
| Due on December 19, 2011 | Callable by FHLB on December 19, 2006 | $5,000,000$ | $4.85 \%$ Fixed |
| Due on July 16, 2012 | Callable by FHLB on January 18, 2005 | $1,000,000$ | $3.90 \%$ Fixed |
| Due on February 25, 2013 | Callable by FHLB on February 25, 2005 | $5,000,000$ | $3.45 \%$ Fixed |
|  |  |  |  |
| Total FHLB borrowings/weighted average rate |  | $\$ 12,777,778$ | $3.84 \%$ |

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Pursuant to a collateral agreement with the FHLB, advances are collateralized by all the Company s FHLB stock of $\$ 1,383,900$, qualifying first mortgage loans and qualifying commercial real estate. The balance of qualifying first mortgage loans and qualifying commercial real estate as of December 31, 2005 was approximately $\$ 21,601,000$. This agreement with the FHLB provides for a line of credit up to $15 \%$ of the Bank sassets.

The Company also had available lines of credit totaling $\$ 24.7$ million from correspondent banks at December 31, 2005.

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## NOTE 9 - LEASES

## Operating Leases

The Company has entered into non-cancelable operating leases for the land on which its main office is located and for other branch facilities and equipment. These leases have terms from five to thirty years. In 2002, the Company entered into a sale-leaseback arrangement. Under the arrangement, the Company sold its Marshville branch property and leased it back for a period of ten years with two renewal options for five years each. The leaseback has been accounted for as an operating lease. The gain of $\$ 147,156$ realized in this transaction has been deferred and is being amortized to income in proportion to rental expense over the term of the lease. Future rentals under these leases are as follows:

|  | Related party | Other | Total |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| 2006 | $\$ 254,050$ | $\$$ | 256,947 | $\$ 510,997$ |
| 2007 | 222,813 | 169,327 | 392,140 |  |
| 2008 | 222,813 | 169,327 | 392,140 |  |
| 2009 | 222,813 | 169,327 | 392,140 |  |
| 2010 | 222,813 | 153,700 | 376,513 |  |
| $2011-2020$ | $1,866,766$ | 656,648 | $2,523,414$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | $\$ 3,012,068$ | $\$ 1,575,276$ | $\$ 4,587,344$ |  |

Total rent expense under operating leases was approximately $\$ 721,000, \$ 623,000$ and $\$ 582,000$ for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

## Capital Lease Obligation

The Company leases its main office facility under a capital lease. Leases that meet the criteria for capitalization are recorded as assets and the related obligations are reflected as capital lease obligations on the accompanying balance sheets. Amortization of property under capital lease is included in depreciation expense. Included in premises and equipment at December 31, 2005 and 2004 is $\$ 1.7$ million as the capitalized cost of the Company s main office and accumulated amortization of $\$ 261,588$ and $\$ 217,990$ at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

At December 31, 2005, aggregate future minimum lease payments due under this capital lease obligation are as follows:

| 2006 | 148,057 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 2007 | 148,057 |
| 2008 | 148,057 |
| 2009 | 148,057 |
| 2010 | 158,421 |
| $2011-2029$ | $3,358,491$ |
|  |  |
| Total minimum lease payments | $4,109,140$ |
| Less amount representing interest | $(2,406,790)$ |

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Present value of net minimum lease payments
\$ 1,702,350
Both the land lease and capital leases for the Company s main office discussed above are leased from a director. Prior to the main facility being completed in November 2000, the Company leased land for its temporary banking facility from that same director. In addition, the Marshville facility is leased from another director. In January 2003, the Company signed an operating lease for a new branch facility in Mint Hill, North Carolina, with another director. The lease has an initial term of ten years with two renewal options for five years each. Total lease payments of $\$ 457,002, \$ 419,553$, and $\$ 464,755$ were paid to these directors under these leases during 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

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## NOTE 10 JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEFERRABLE INTEREST DEBENTURES

In 2004, the Company adopted FIN 46R, with no restatement of prior periods, resulting in the deconsolidation of American Community Capital Trust I and American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd, statutory trusts (the Trusts ), which were created for the sole purpose of issuing trust preferred securities. The implementation of FIN 46R resulted in the Company s $\$ 418,260$ investment in the common equity of the Trusts being included in the condensed consolidated balance sheets as other assets with a corresponding increase in junior subordinated debentures. The Company is now recording greater interest expense and income received from the Trusts with no effect on net income. The income and interest expense received from and paid to the Trusts, respectively, is being included in the consolidated statements of operations as other non-interest income and expense.

The Company has Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures (the Junior Subordinated Debentures ) outstanding. The Junior Subordinated Debentures were issued from funds invested from the sale of trust preferred securities by American Community Capital Trust I and American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd., both of which are wholly owned by the Company.

On December 31, 2001 and March 1, 2002, $\$ 2.0$ million and $\$ 1.5$ million, respectively, of trust preferred securities were placed through American Community Capital Trust I ( Capital Trust I ). The preferred securities pay cumulative cash distributions quarterly at an annual rate of $9 \%$. The dividends paid to holders of the capital trust preferred securities, which will be recorded as interest expense, are deductible for income tax purposes. The quarterly distributions may, at the option of the Company, be deferred up to five years. Unpaid distributions will be accrued as a component of interest expense. The preferred securities issued in 2001 and 2002 are redeemable on March 1, 2007 or afterwards at the par of $\$ 1,000$ per share. Redemption is mandatory at March 1, 2032. The proceeds of the preferred securities were invested by Capital Trust I in $\$ 3.5$ million principal amount of $9 \%$ junior subordinated debentures of the Company due March 1, 2032.

On December 15, 2003, $\$ 10.0$ million of trust preferred securities were placed through American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd. ( Capital Trust II ). The preferred securities pay cumulative cash distributions quarterly at a rate priced off 90-day LIBOR plus 280 basis points. The dividends paid to holders of the capital trust preferred securities, which will be recorded as interest expense, are deductible for income tax purposes. The preferred securities issued in 2003 are redeemable on December 15, 2008 or afterwards at par. Redemption is mandatory at December 15, 2033. The proceeds of the preferred securities were invested by Capital Trust II in $\$ 10.0$ million principal amount of junior subordinated debentures of the Company due December 15, 2033.

The Company fully and unconditionally guarantees the preferred securities through the combined operation of the debentures and other related documents. The Company s obligation under the guarantee is unsecured and subordinate to senior and subordinated indebtedness of the Company. A portion of the preferred securities qualify as Tier I capital for regulatory capital purposes.

A description of the Junior Subordinated Debentures outstanding is as follows:

|  | Date of | Shares | Interest | Maturity | Principal Amount |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Issuing Entity | Issuance | Issued | Rate | Date | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ |
| American Community | $12 / 31 / 2001$ | 2,000 | $9.00 \%$ | $03 / 01 / 2032$ | $\$ 2,061,863$ | $\$ 2,061,863$ |
| Capital Trust I | $03 / 01 / 2002$ | 1,500 | $9.00 \%$ | $03 / 01 / 2032$ | $1,546,397$ | $1,546,397$ |
| American Community | $12 / 15 / 2003$ | 10,000 | $6.82 \%$ | $12 / 15 / 2033$ | $10,310,000$ | $10,310,000$ |
| Capital Trust I |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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Total

## NOTE 11 - OTHER CONTRACTS

The Company entered into a non-cancelable contract with a third party for data processing services. The future minimum payment required under this contract for the year ending December 31, 2005 is as follows:

$$
2006 \quad \$ 196,000
$$

The above future payments are based upon the anticipated future growth of the Company and can therefore vary from the above estimates in any year.

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## NOTE 12 - INCOME TAXES

The significant components of the provision for income taxes for the periods ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 are as follows:

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ <br> (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current tax provision: | $\$ 1,657$ | $\$ 1,300$ | $\$ 537$ |
| Federal | 423 | 280 | 127 |
| State | 2,080 | 1,580 | 664 |
|  |  |  |  |
| Deferred tax provision (benefit): | 557 | 61 | 117 |
| Federal | 2 | $(24)$ | 26 |
| State | 559 | 37 | 143 |
|  | $\$ 2,639$ | $\$ 1,617$ | $\$ 807$ |

The difference between the provision for income taxes and the amounts determined by applying the statutory federal income tax rate of $34 \%$ to income before income taxes is summarized below:

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ <br> (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Benefits computed at statutory rate of $34 \%$ | $\$ 2,430$ | $\$ 1,482$ | $\$ 746$ |
| Effect of state income taxes | 280 | 184 | 101 |
| U. S. Government interest | $(75)$ | $(57)$ | $(30)$ |
| Other | 4 | 8 | $(10)$ |
| Net provision for income taxes | $\$ 2,639$ | $\$ 1,617$ | $\$ 807$ |

Significant components of deferred taxes at December 31, 2005 and 2004 are as follows:

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ <br> (Dollars in thousands) |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Deferred tax assets: | $\$ 1,482$ | $\$ 1,140$ |
| Allowance for loan losses | 102 | 88 |
| Capital lease | 33 | 39 |

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| Income from deferred data processing payment | 72 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nondeductible accrued expenses | 3 | 231 |
| Net unrealized losses on available-for-sale securities | 454 | 66 |
| Other | 24 | 20 |
| Total deferred tax assets | 2,170 | 1,584 |
| Deferred tax liabilities: |  |  |
| Premises and equipment | (126) | (288) |
| Leased property | (967) |  |
| Core deposit intangible | (259) | (265) |
| Prepaid expenses | (72) | (114) |
| Total deferred tax liabilities | $(1,424)$ | (667) |
| Net recorded deferred tax assets | \$ 746 | \$ 917 |

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## NOTE 13 - OTHER NON-INTEREST EXPENSE

The major components of other non-interest expense for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 are as follows:

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 3}$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Postage, printing and office supplies | $\$ 428,781$ | $\$$ | 317,654 | $\$$ |
| 315,447 |  |  |  |  |
| Advertising and promotion | 274,264 | 134,581 | 139,874 |  |
| Travel, meals, dues and subscriptions | 200,269 | 180,588 | 161,591 |  |
| Telephone | 171,055 | 168,765 | 111,451 |  |
| Data processing and technology | 536,923 | 553,614 | 535,298 |  |
| Professional fees and contracted services | 964,601 | 841,414 | 444,915 |  |
| Lawsuit settlement charge | $1,277,017$ | 60,000 | 988,089 | 626,337 |
| Other |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\$ 3,852,910$ | $\$ 3,784,705$ | $\$ 2,334,913$ |  |

## NOTE 14 - REGULATORY MATTERS

The Company (on a consolidated basis) and the Bank are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the 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 Company $s$ and Bank $s$ financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Company and the Bank must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of their assets, liabilities and certain off-balance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors.

The primary sources of funds for the payment of dividends by American Community Bancshares, Inc. are interest and dividends received from its subsidiary, American Community Bank, combined with the proceeds from stock sold by the Company. American Community, as a North Carolina banking corporation, may pay dividends only out of undivided profits as determined pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes Section 53-87. However, regulatory authorities may limit payment of dividends by any bank when it is determined that such limitation is in the public interest and is necessary to ensure a bank sfinancial soundness.

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require the Company and its bank subsidiary to maintain minimum amounts and ratios (set forth in the following table) of total and Tier 1 capital (as defined in the regulations) to risk-weighted assets (as defined) and of Tier 1 capital (as defined) to average assets (as defined). Management believes, as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, that the Company and the Bank met all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject.

As of December 31, 2005, the most recent notification from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation categorized American Community Bank as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as well capitalized, an institution must maintain minimum total risk-based, Tier 1 risk-based and Tier 1 leverage ratios as set forth in the following tables. There are no conditions or events since the notification that management believes have changed the Bank s category. Prompt corrective action provisions are not applicable to bank holding companies.

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## NOTE 14 - REGULATORY MATTERS (Continued)

The Company s and the Bank s actual capital amounts and ratios as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 are presented in the following table.


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## NOTE 15 COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES AND OFF-BALANCE SHEET RISK

The Company is a party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet credit risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of its customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. Those instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized in the balance sheet. The contract or notional amounts of those instruments reflect the extent of involvement the Company has in particular classes of financial instruments. The Company uses the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as it does for on-balance sheet instruments.

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of conditions established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since some of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. The Company evaluates each customer s creditworthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary by the Company, upon extension of credit is based on management $s$ credit evaluation of the borrower. Collateral obtained varies but may include real estate, stocks, bonds, and certificates of deposit.

A summary of the contract amounts of the Company s exposure to off-balance sheet credit risk as of December 31, 2005 is as follows:

| Financial instruments whose contract amounts represent credit risk: | $\mathbf{2 5 0 , 0 0 0}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Capital South Partnership commitment | $3,151,129$ |
| Standby letters of credit | $8,503,718$ |
| Commitments to extend credit | $48,974,179$ |
| Undisbursed lines of credit | $24,168,046$ |

In the normal course of business, the Company is involved in various legal proceedings. The amount of any liability that may result from those proceedings in which the Company is currently involved cannot be determined at this time.

## NOTE 16 - DISCLOSURES ABOUT FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial instruments for which fair value disclosures are required include cash and due from banks, interest-earning deposits with banks, investment securities, loans, Federal Home Loan Bank and Bankers Bank stock, accrued interest, deposits, borrowings, securities sold under agreements to repurchase, trust preferred securities and junior subordinated debentures. Fair value estimates are made at a specific moment in time, based on relevant market information and information about the financial instrument. These estimates do not reflect any premium or discount that could result from offering for sale at one time the Company s entire holdings of a particular financial instrument. Because no active market readily exists for a portion of the Company s financial instruments, fair value estimates are based on judgments regarding future expected loss experience, current economic conditions, risk characteristics of various financial instruments, and other factors. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and, therefore, cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value:

Cash and Due from Banks and Interest-earning Deposits with Banks

The carrying amounts for cash and due from banks and interest-earning deposits with banks approximate fair value because of the short maturities of those instruments.

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## Investment Securities

Fair values for investment securities are based on quoted market prices, where available. If quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on quoted market prices of comparable instruments.

## Loans

For certain homogenous categories of loans, such as residential mortgages, fair value is estimated using the quoted market prices for securities backed by similar loans, adjusted for differences in loan characteristics. The fair value of other types of loans is estimated by discounting the future cash flows using the current rates at which similar loans would be made to borrowers with similar credit ratings and for the same remaining maturities.

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## NOTE 16 - DISCLOSURES ABOUT FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

## Non-marketable Equity Securities

The carrying value of Federal Home Loan Bank stock and Bankers Bank stock approximates fair value based on the redemption provisions of the Banks.

Accrued Interest

The carrying amount is a reasonable estimate of fair value.

## Deposits

The fair value of demand deposits, savings, money market, and NOW accounts is the amount payable on demand at the reporting date. The fair value of time deposits is estimated by discounting expected cash flows using the rates currently offered for instruments of similar remaining maturities.

Borrowings, Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase, Federal Funds Sold and Junior Subordinated Debentures

The fair values are based on discounting expected cash flows at the interest rate for debt with the same or similar remaining maturities and collateral requirements.

Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Risk

With regard to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk discussed in Note 15, it is not practicable to estimate the fair value of future financing commitments. The large majority of commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit are at variable rates and/or have relatively short terms to maturity. Therefore, the fair value for these financial instruments is considered to be immaterial.

The carrying amounts and estimated fair values of the Company s financial instruments, none of which are held for trading purposes, are as follows at December 31, 2005 and 2004:

|  | 2005 |  | 2004 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Carrying amount | Estimated fair value (Dollars in | Carrying amount ousands) | Estimated fair value |
| Financial assets |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and due from banks | \$ 12,495 | \$ 12,495 | \$ 9,511 | \$ 9,511 |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 4,454 | 4,454 | 6,521 | 6,521 |
| Securities available for sale | 62,127 | 62,127 | 51,833 | 51,833 |
| Securities held to maturity | 2,180 | 2,173 | 2,186 | 2,193 |
| Loans | 328,376 | 328,318 | 304,500 | 305,009 |
| Accrued interest receivable | 2,432 | 2,432 | 1,697 | 1,697 |
| Non-marketable equity securities | 1,468 | 1,468 | 1,512 | 1,512 |

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| Deposits | 345,401 | 303,630 | 306,665 | 284,540 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Borrowings | 11,111 | 10,856 | 12,778 | 12,899 |
| Capital lease obligation | 1,702 | 1,702 | 1,710 | 1,710 |
| Securities sold under agreement to repurchase and federal funds sold | 11,733 | 11,733 | 25,763 | 25,763 |
| Junior subordinated debentures | 13,918 | 14,299 | 13,918 | 13,471 |

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## NOTE 17 - EMPLOYEE AND DIRECTOR BENEFIT PLANS

## 401(k) Retirement Plan

The Company has adopted a $401(\mathrm{k})$ retirement plan that covers all eligible employees. The Company matches contributions of $3.0 \%$ of each employee s salary. Contributions are funded when accrued. Expenses totaled $\$ 87,483, \$ 68,430$ and $\$ 54,494$ for the years ended December 31, 2005,2004 and 2003, respectively.

## Stock Option Plans

The Company has four stock option plans; the 1999 Employee Stock Option Plan (the Employee Plan ), the 1999 Director Stock Option Plan (the Director Plan ), the 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan (the Incentive Plan ), and the 2002 Non-statutory Stock Option Plan (the Non-statutory Plan ). The 1999 plans each make available options to purchase 246,191 shares of the Company s common stock for an aggregate number of common shares reserved for options under these plans of 492,382 . The options granted under the Director Plan vested immediately at the time of grant, while the options granted under the Employee Plan vest over a five-year period. The Incentive Plan makes available options to purchase 210,300 shares of the Company s common stock at a price not less than the fair value of the Company s common shares on the date of grant. The options granted under the Incentive Plan vest over a five-year period. During 2002 the Company adopted, with shareholder approval, the Non-statutory Plan. The Non-statutory plan makes available options to purchase 37,500 shares on the date of grant. The options granted to directors under the Non-statutory Option Plan vest over a three-year period, beginning one year from the date of grant.

Unexercised options for all of the aforementioned plans expire ten years after the date of grant. The exercise price of all options granted to date is the fair value of the Company s common shares on the date of grant. A summary of the Company soption plans as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003 after retroactively adjusting for the stock dividend paid in February 2006, is as follows:

|  | Shares |  | OutstandingOptions <br> Weighted <br> average |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | available |  |  |  |

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Options granted

| Options exercised |  | $(137,418)$ | 3.89 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Options forfeited | 81,078 | $(81,078)$ | 8.92 |
|  |  |  |  |
| At December 31, 2005 | 172,776 | 643,131 | $\$$ |


|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Assumptions in estimating option values: | $\mathbf{2 0 0 3}$ |  |
| Risk-free interest rate | $2.25 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 . 2 5 \%}$ |
| Dividend yield | $.97 \%$ | $.97 \%$ |
| Volatility | $14.50 \%$ | $14.70 \%$ |
| Expected life | 7 years | 7 years |

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At December 31, 2005, there were 566,573 exercisable options with a weighted average exercise price of $\$ 5.25$. At December 31, 2004, there were 729,600 exercisable options with a weighted average exercise price of $\$ 4.95$. Of the total options outstanding at December 31, 2005 and 2004, the remaining average contractual lives were five years. The range of exercise prices associated with options outstanding at December 31, 2005 was $\$ 3.70$ to $\$ 5.55$ and $\$ 5.60$ to $\$ 8.92$.

## Employment Agreement

The Company has entered into employment agreements with certain officers to ensure a stable and competent management base. These agreements provide for terms ranging from three to five years, with automatic extension for an additional year at the end of the initial term and annually thereafter. The agreements provide for benefits as spelled out in the contract and cannot be terminated by the Board of Directors, except for cause, without prejudicing the officer s right to receive certain vested rights, including compensation. In the event of a change in control of the Company and in certain other events, as defined in the agreements, the Company or any successor to the Company will be bound to the terms of the contracts.

## NOTE 18 - SALE OF COMMON STOCK AND EXERCISE OF WARRANTS

The Company completed the sale of $1,000,500$ units, which consisted of one share of common stock and one warrant to buy one share of common stock, at $\$ 9.00$ per share on April 29, 2002. Expenses associated with the sale amounted to $\$ 1,016,001$ resulting in net proceeds from the offering of $\$ 7,988,499$. The warrants entitled the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $\$ 10.50$ per share and expired on April 30, 2005. As a result of warrants exercised in 2005 and 2004, 999,012 common shares were issued and total capital received was $\$ 10,489,626$.

## NOTE 19 - PARENT COMPANY FINANCIAL DATA

Following are condensed financial statements of American Community Bancshares, Inc. as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 and for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003:

## Condensed Statements of Financial Condition

December 31, 2005 and 2004

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Assets: | $\mathbf{2 0 7 , 7 2 8}$ | $\$ \mathbf{1 4 2 , 9 8 3}$ |
| Cash and due from banks | $16,193,700$ | $7,696,900$ |
| Interest earning deposits with banks | 403,469 | 403,469 |
| Investment in securities available for sale | $46,037,722$ | $23,213,898$ |
| Investment in American Community Bank | $18,318,937$ |  |
| Investment in First National Bank of the Carolinas | 108,260 | 108,260 |
| Investment in American Community Capital Trust I | 310,000 | 310,000 |
| Investment in American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd. | $1,543,608$ | 650,969 |
| Due from American Community Bank | 256,182 |  |
| Other assets | $\$ 64,804,487$ | $\$ 51,101,598$ |


| Liabilities and Stockholders Equity: |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Liabilities: |  |  |
| Due to American Community Capital Trust I | $\$ 3,608,260$ | $\$ 3,608,260$ |
| Due to American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd. | $10,310,000$ | $10,310,000$ |
| Due to First National Bank of the Carolinas | 211,222 |  |
|  |  |  |
| Total Liabilities | $13,918,260$ | $14,129,482$ |
|  |  |  |
| Stockholders Equity: | $4,568,673$ | $3,489,249$ |
| Common stock | $38,881,954$ | $29,054,479$ |
| Additional paid-in capital | $8,178,434$ | $4,531,618$ |
| Retained earnings | $(742,834)$ | $(103,230)$ |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | $50,886,227$ | $36,972,116$ |
| Total stockholders equity | $\$ 64,804,487$ | $\$ 51,101,598$ |

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## NOTE 19 - PARENT COMPANY FINANCIAL DATA (Continued)

## Condensed Statements of Operations

## Years Ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

|  | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Interest income: |  |  |  |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | \$ 810,969 | \$ 664,925 | \$ 341,346 |
| Interest expense: |  |  |  |
| Junior subordinated debentures issued to American Community Capital Trust I and II | 965,055 | 779,595 | 344,751 |
| Non-interest income: |  |  |  |
| Equity in earnings of American Community Bank | 4,644,491 | 2,162,823 | 1,440,542 |
| Equity in earnings of First National Bank of the Carolinas |  | 677,000 |  |
| Total non-interest income | 4,644,491 | 2,839,823 | 1,440,542 |
| Non-interest expense: |  |  |  |
| Professional fees | 41,851 | 18,138 | 27,380 |
| Other | 27,019 | 30,811 | 21,742 |
| Total non-interest expense | 68,870 | 48,949 | 49,122 |
| Income before taxes | 4,421,535 | 2,676,204 | 1,388,015 |
| Income tax benefit | $(86,000)$ | $(67,000)$ |  |
| Net income | \$4,507,535 | \$2,743,204 | \$ 1,388,015 |

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## NOTE 19 - PARENT COMPANY FINANCIAL DATA (Continued)

## Condensed Statements of Cash Flows

## Years Ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | $\$ 4,507,535$ | $\$$ | $2,743,204$ |
| Net income | $\$$ | $1,388,015$ |  |
| Equity in earnings of subsidiaries | $(4,644,491)$ | $(2,839,823)$ | $(1,440,542)$ |
| Decrease (increase) in other assets | $(1,287,426)$ | 195,835 | $(918,743)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| Net cash provided (used) by operating activities | $(1,424,382)$ | 99,216 | $(971,270)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | $(500,000)$ | $(2,700,000)$ |  |
| Purchases of investments available for sale |  | $(7,434,275)$ |  |
| Investment in American Community Bank |  | $(3)$ |  |

Investment in American Community Capital Trust II
$(310,000)$
Net cash used by investing activities $\quad(310,000)$

| Cash flows from financing activities: |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Junior subordinated debentures issued to American Community Capital Trust II |  |  |  |
| Repayment of advances from subsidiaries | 439,747 | 211,222 | $10,310,000$ |
| Proceeds from advances from subsidiaries | $10,906,899$ | 327,673 | 11,197 |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock | $(860,719)$ | $(282,571)$ | $(225,950)$ |
| Cash dividends paid on common stock | $10,485,927$ | 256,324 | $10,095,247$ |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | $8,561,545$ | $(10,182,204)$ | $8,813,977$ |
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | $7,839,883$ | $18,022,087$ | $9,208,110$ |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning | $\$ 16,401,428$ | $\$ 7,839,883$ | $\$ 18,022,087$ |

## NOTE 20 - BUSINESS COMBINATION

On November 5, 2003, the Company entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger with FNB Bancshares, Inc., a bank holding company headquartered in Gaffney, SC, which is the parent company of First National Bank of the Carolinas. The acquisition was approved at a special shareholders meeting on March 4, 2004 and the transaction took place effective at the close of business on April 15, 2004. First National shareholders could elect to receive $\$ 22.64$ in cash for each share of First National stock they owned, exchange each share of First National stock for 1.6347 shares of American Community Bancshares, Inc. stock, or a combination of stock and cash. As a result of the combination, the Company paid $\$ 7.1$ million for shares exchanged for cash and has issued 619,044 additional shares of stock. The acquisition was accounted for

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using the purchase method of accounting, with the operating results of First National subsequent to April 15, 2004 included in the Company s consolidated financial statements.

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## NOTE 20 - BUSINESS COMBINATION (Continued)

A summary of the total purchase price of the transaction is as follows:

|  | (Dollars in thousands) |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Fair value of common stock issued | $\$, 574$ |  |
| Cash paid for shares | 7,080 |  |
| Fair value of stock options exchanged | 1,616 |  |
| Transaction costs | 392 |  |
|  |  |  |
| Total purchase price | $\$$ | 17,662 |

A summary of the estimated fair value of the First National assets acquired and liabilities assumed is as follows:

|  | (Dollars In thousands) |
| :--- | ---: |
| Cash and cash equivalents | $\$, 374$ |
| Investment securities available for sale | 7,421 |
| Non-marketable securities | 416 |
| Loans receivable | 56,839 |
| Allowance for loan losses | $(685)$ |
| Premises and equipment | 3,071 |
| Deferred tax asset | 108 |
| Goodwill | 9,838 |
| Other assets | 1,410 |
| Deposits | $(61,268)$ |
| Borrowings | $(2,000)$ |
| Securities sold under agreement to repurchase | $(1,219)$ |
| Other liabilities | $(1,035)$ |
|  | 17,270 |
| Net assets acquired | 392 |
| Transaction costs | $\$$ |
| Total purchase price | $\$ 7,662$ |

The following table reflects the unaudited pro forma combined results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, assuming the acquisition had occurred at the beginning of the fiscal year 2003.

|  | 2004 <br> (In thousands, except per share data) |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net interest income | $\$$ | 12,897 | $\$$ |
| Net income | 3,947 |  |  |

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Net income per common share - basic
Net income per common share - diluted . 53
.53 . 35
The pro forma net income for the twelve months ended December 31, 2004 does not reflect approximately $\$ 398,000$ in acquisition related costs incurred by First National. In management sopinion, these unaudited results are not necessarily indicative of what actual combined results of operations might have been if the acquisition had been effective at the beginning of fiscal year 2004.

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## NOTE 21 GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill arose from the 2004 purchase of First National. Pursuant to SFAS No. 142, goodwill acquired will not be amortized but will be subject to an annual impairment test. Goodwill recorded by the Company in conjunction with the business combination of First National amounted to $\$ 9,838,173$ as of December 31, 2005.

Other intangible assets were acquired in conjunction with the purchase of First National. The initial deposit premium associated with the purchase of First National was $\$ 854,329$. Amortization of these other intangible assets amounted to $\$ 106,800$ and $\$ 75,650$ for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively. The estimated amortization expense on intangible assets acquired from First National for the years ending December 31, 2006 through 2008 is $\$ 106,800$ annually. The Company had no other intangible assets.

## NOTE 22 SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On January 25, 2006, the Company declared a three-for-two stock split in the form of a $50 \%$ stock dividend to shareholders of record on February 7, 2006 and payable on February 21, 2006. All references to net income per share and weighted average shares outstanding have been adjusted for the effect of this stock split.

## NOTE 23 QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, selected information from our consolidated quarterly financial information. This information is derived from our unaudited financial statements, which include, in the opinion of management, all normal recurring adjustments which management considers necessary for a fair presentation of the results for such periods.

|  | Year Ended December 31, 2005 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Fourth <br> Quarter <br> (In th | Third Quarter usands exc | Second <br> Quarter <br> pt per sha | First Quarter edata) |
| Interest income | \$ 7,112 | \$ 6,797 | \$ 6,003 | \$ 5,672 |
| Interest expense | 2,615 | 2,468 | 2,116 | 1,981 |
| Net interest income | 4,497 | 4,329 | 3,887 | 3,691 |
| Provision for loan losses | 294 | 224 | 182 | 109 |
| Net interest income after provision for loan loss | 4,203 | 4,105 | 3,705 | 3,582 |
| Non-interest income | 838 | 829 | 880 | 747 |
| Total non-interest expense | 3,135 | 3,063 | 2,896 | 2,648 |
| Income before income taxes | 1,906 | 1,871 | 1,689 | 1,681 |
| Provision for income taxes | 697 | 686 | 623 | 633 |
| Net income | \$ 1,209 | \$ 1,185 | \$ 1,066 | \$ 1,048 |
| Net income per share |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ 0.18 | \$ 0.17 | \$ 0.17 | \$ 0.19 |

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| Diluted | 0.17 |  | 0.17 | 0.16 | 0.17 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Common stock price | $\$ 12.51$ | $\$ 11.47$ | $\$ 11.53$ | $\$$ | 9.53 |
| High | 12.07 | 11.44 | 11.33 | 9.46 |  |

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## NOTE 23 QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

|  | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Year Ended December 31, 2004 } \\ \text { Third } \\ \text { Second } \\ \text { Quarter }\end{array}$ |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Quarter |  |  |$)$

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ITEM 9 CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Not Applicable.

## ITEM 9A CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Management, including the Company s President and Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of the Company s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon that evaluation, the Company s President and Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures were effective, in all material respects, to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports the Company files and submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported as and when required.

There have been no changes in the Company s internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation that occurred during the Company s last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or that is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

## ITEM 9B OTHER INFORMATION

Not applicable.

## PART III

## ITEM 10 DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE REGISTRANT

The information contained in the sections captioned Proposal 2: Election of Directors, Executive Officers, and Required Reports of Beneficial Ownership in the 2006 Annual Meeting Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

The Company has adopted a code of ethics that applies, among others, to its principal executive officer and principal financial officer. The Company s code of ethics is available at http://www.americancommunitybank.com.

## ITEM 11 EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information contained in the sections captioned Director Compensation and Executive Compensation in the 2006 Annual Meeting Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

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## ITEM 12 SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information contained in the sections captioned Ownership of Voting Securities in the 2005 Annual Meeting Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

Set forth below is certain information regarding the Registrant s various stock option plans.


## ITEM 13 CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

The information contained in the sections captioned Director Relationships and Indebtedness of and Transactions with Management in the 2006 Annual Meeting Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

## ITEM 14 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

The information contained in the sections captioned Report of the Audit Committee and Proposal 3: Ratification of Independent Public Accountants in the 2006 Annual Meeting Proxy Statement are incorporated herewith by reference.

## PART IV

## ITEM 15 EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) Index to Exhibits

## EXHIBIT

| NUMBER | DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBIT |
| :---: | :--- |
| 3.1 | Registrant s Articles of Incorporation* |
| 3.2 | Registrant s Bylaws* |
| 4.1 | Specimen Stock Certificate* |

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| 4.2 | Specimen Warrant Certificate** |
| :---: | :---: |
| 4.3 | Warrant Agreement** |
| 10.1 | Employment Agreement of Randy P. Helton* |
| 10.2 | 1999 Incentive Stock Option Plan* |
| 10.3 | 1999 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan* |
| 10.4 | 401(k) Plan* |
| 10.5(i) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Indenture, dated December 31, 2001** |
| 10.5(ii) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: |
|  | Expense Agreement, dated December 31, 2001** |
| 10.5(iii) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated March 1, 2002** |
| 10.5(iv) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Supplemental Indenture, dated March 1, 2002** |
| 10.5(v) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Subordinated Debenture, dated March 1, $2002(\$ 2,061,860)$ ** |
| 10.5(vi) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Subordinated Debenture, dated March 1, $2002(\$ 1,546,000)$ ** |
| 10.5(vii) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Amended and Restated Preferred Securities Guarantee Agreement, dated March 1, 2002** |
| 10.5(viii) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd.: Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust, dated December 15, 2003*** |
| 10.5(ix) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd.: Indenture, dated December 15, 2003*** |

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| 10.5(x) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd.: Guarantee Agreement, dated December 31, 2003*** |
| :---: | :---: |
| 10.5(xi) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd.: Form of Floating Rate Junior Subordinated Debenture of American Community Bancshares, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit A of Exhibit 10.5(ix)) *** |
| 10.6 | 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan**** |
| 10.7 | 2002 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan***** |
| 10.8 | Dividend Reinvestment and Common Stock Purchase Plan******* |
| 21 | Subsidiaries of Registrant (Filed herewith) |
| 31(i) | Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act (Filed herewith) |
| 31(ii) | Certification of Principal Accounting Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act (Filed herewith) |
| 32(i) | Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act (Filed herewith) |
| 32(ii) | Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act (Filed herewith) |
| 99 | Registrant s Definitive Proxy Statement****** |

* Incorporated by reference from exhibits to Registrant s Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-31148)
** Incorporated by reference from exhibits to Registrant s Registration Statement on Form SB-2 (File No. 333-84484)
*** Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 18, 2003 (File No. 000-30517)
**** Incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.5 to Registrant s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000.
***** Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-101208)
****** Filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 14a-6.
******* Incorporated by reference from Exhibit 99.1 to Registrant s Statement on Form S-3D (File No. 333-129991)


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In accordance with Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

## /s/ Randy P. Helton

March 25, 2006

Randy P. Helton, President,
Chief Executive Officer and Director
/s/ Dan R. Ellis, Jr.
March 25, 2006

Dan R. Ellis, Jr., Chief Financial Officer
/s/ Robert D. Dinsmore
March 25, 2006

Robert D. Dinsmore, Director
/s/ Frank L. Gentry March 25, 2006
Frank L. Gentry, Director
/s/ Thomas J. Hall
March 25, 2006

Thomas J. Hall, Director
/s/ Larry S. Helms
March 25, 2006
Larry S. Helms, Director
/s/ Bill H. Mason March 25, 2006
Bill H. Mason, Director
/s/ V. Stephen Moss
March 25, 2006
V. Stephen Moss, Director
/s/ Peter A. Pappas March 25, 2006
Peter A. Pappas, Director
/s/ L. Steven Phillips March 25, 2006
L. Steven Phillips, Director
/s/ Alison J. Smith March 25, 2006
Alison J. Smith, Director
/s/ L. Carlton Tyson March 25, 2006
L. Carlton Tyson, Director
/s/ David D. Whitley
March 25, 2006

David D. Whitley, Director
/s/ Gregory N. Wylie
March 25, 2006

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| EXHIBIT |  |
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| NUMBER | DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBIT |
| 3.1 | Registrant s Articles of Incorporation * |
| 3.2 | Registrant s Bylaws * |
| 4.1 | Specimen Stock Certificate* |
| 4.2 | Specimen Warrant Certificate** |
| 4.3 | Warrant Agreement** |
| 10.1 | Employment Agreement of Randy P. Helton* |
| 10.2 | 1999 Incentive Stock Option Plan* |
| 10.3 | 1999 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan* |
| 10.4 | 401(k) Plan* |
| 10.5(i) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Indenture, dated December 31, 2001** |
| 10.5(ii) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: |
|  | Expense Agreement, dated December 31, 2001** |
| 10.5(iii) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated March 1, 2002** |
| 10.5(iv) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Supplemental Indenture, dated March 1, 2002** |
| 10.5(v) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Subordinated Debenture, dated March 1, $2002(\$ 2,061,860)$ ** |
| 10.5(vi) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Subordinated Debenture, dated March 1, $2002(\$ 1,546,000)$ ** |
| 10.5(vii) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust I: Amended and Restated Preferred Securities Guarantee Agreement, dated March 1, 2002** |
| 10.5(viii) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd.: Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust, dated December 15, 2003*** |
| 10.5(ix) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd.: Indenture, dated December 15, 2003*** |
| 10.5(x) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd.: Guarantee Agreement, dated December 31, 2003*** |
| 10.5(xi) | Issuance of Trust Preferred Securities by American Community Capital Trust II, Ltd.: Form of Floating Rate Junior Subordinated Debenture of American Community Bancshares, Inc. (included as Exhibit A of Exhibit 10(ix))*** |
| 10.6 | 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan**** |
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10.8 Dividend Reinvestment and Common Stock Purchase Plan *******

21 Subsidiaries of Registrant (Filed herewith)
99 Registrant s Definitive Proxy Statement ******
31(i) Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act (Filed herewith)

31(ii) Certification of Principal Accounting Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act (Filed herewith)

32(i) Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act (Filed herewith)

32(ii) Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act (Filed herewith)

* Incorporated by reference from exhibits to Registrant s Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-31148)
** Incorporated by reference from exhibits to Registrant s Registration statement on Form SB-2 (File No. 333-84484)
*** Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 18, 2003 (File No. 000-30517)
**** Incorporated by reference from exhibit 10.5 to Registrant s Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2000 on Form 10-KSB.
***** Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-101208)
****** Filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 14a-6.
******* Incorporated by reference from Exhibit 99.1 to Registrant s Statement on Form S-3D (File No. 333-129991)


[^0]:    Gregory N. Wylie, Director

