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FORM 10-QSB

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2004

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number 000-31957

ALPENA BANCSHARES, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

United States 38-3567362
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer
incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

100 S. Second Avenue, Alpena, Michigan 49707
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (989) 356-9041

Check whether the issuer has filed all reports required to be filed
by section 13 or 15 (d) of the Exchange Act during the past 12 months (or for
such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports) and
has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes X No

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the
registrant's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Common Stock, Par Value \$1.00 Outstanding at October 31, 2004
(Title of Class) 1,659,180 shares

Transitional Small Business Disclosure Format: Yes No X

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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When used in this Form 10-QSB or future filings by Alpena Bancshares, Inc. (the "Company") with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), in the Company's press releases or other public or stockholder communications, or in oral statements made with the approval of an authorized executive officer, the words or phrases "would be," "will allow," "intends to," "will likely result," "are expected to," "will continue," "is anticipated," "estimate," "project," or similar expressions are intended to identify "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

The Company wishes to caution readers not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made, and to advise readers that various factors, including regional and national economic conditions, changes in levels of market interest rates, credit and other risks of lending and investment activities and competitive and regulatory factors, could affect the Company's financial performance and could cause the Company's actual results for future periods to differ materially from those anticipated or projected.

The Company does not undertake, and specifically disclaims any obligation, to update any forward-looking statements to reflect occurrences or unanticipated events or circumstances after the date of such statements.

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION
ITEM 1 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
Alpena Bancshares, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Balance Sheet

September 30, 2004

(Unaudited)

ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash on hand and due from banks	\$ 4,726
Overnight deposits with FHLB	96
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Total cash and cash equivalents	4,823
Securities AFS	41,080
Securities HTM	1,800
Loans held for sale	655
Loans receivable, net of allowance for loan losses of \$1,151,559 and \$1,035,726 as of September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, respectively.....	187,099
Foreclosed real estate and other repossessed assets	1
Real estate held for investment	562
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	4,617
Premises and equipment	6,431
Accrued interest receivable	1,221
Intangible assets	3,668
Other assets	2,515
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Total assets	\$254,476
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Liabilities:

Deposits	\$182,428
Advances from borrowers for taxes and insurance	292
Federal Home Loan Bank advances and Note Payable	47,303
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	2,392
Deferred income taxes	124
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Total liabilities	232,540
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Commitments and contingencies

Stockholders' equity:

Common stock (\$1.00 par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized, 1,659,180 and 1,657,480 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, respectively)	1,659
Additional paid-in capital	5,354
Retained earnings, restricted	5,060
Retained earnings	9,729
Accumulated other comprehensive income	133
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Total stockholders' equity	21,936
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Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$254,476
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Alpena Bancshares, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statement of Income

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Ended Se
	2004	2003	2004
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)
Interest income:			
Interest and fees on loans	\$ 2,996,936	\$ 2,825,548	\$ 8,447,329
Interest and dividends on investments	396,283	522,944	1,184,959
Interest on mortgage-backed securities	52,593	65,138	166,095
Total interest income	3,445,812	3,413,630	9,798,383
Interest expense:			
Interest on deposits	961,131	885,340	2,620,483
Interest on borrowings	661,266	690,797	1,950,887
Total interest expense	1,622,397	1,576,137	4,571,370
Net interest income	1,823,415	1,837,493	5,227,013
Provision for loan losses	67,600	11,000	213,600
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	1,755,815	1,826,493	5,013,413
Non interest income:			
Service charges and other fees	259,934	225,869	748,658
Mortgage banking activities	210,836	403,937	460,691
Gain on sale of available-for-sale investments	6,968	--	102,637
Net gain on sale of premises and equipment, real estate owned and other repossessed assets ..	(13,370)	(2,458)	(19,699)
Other (See Note 5)	23,176	(5,844)	73,276
Insurance and brokerage commissions	764,557	745,238	2,233,607
Total noninterest income	1,252,101	1,366,742	3,599,170
Non interest expenses:			
Compensation and employee benefits	1,474,165	1,521,912	4,460,147
SAIF insurance premiums	5,618	5,627	20,580
Advertising	52,643	60,847	177,385
Occupancy	309,664	301,510	966,868
Amortization of intangible assets	74,922	77,359	230,109
Service Bureau Charges	88,326	76,364	250,335
Insurance and brokerage commission expense	335,876	341,005	970,289
Professional services	35,728	36,876	155,427
Other (See Note 6)	264,649	352,097	882,409

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Other expenses	2,641,591	2,773,597	8,113,549
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Income before income tax expense	366,325	419,638	499,034
Income tax expense	122,455	139,650	167,060
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Net income	\$ 243,870	\$ 279,988	\$ 331,974
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Per share data:			
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.20
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	1,659,180	1,654,313	1,658,889
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.20
Weighted average number of shares outstanding, including dilutive stock options	1,671,216	1,662,527	1,671,665
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.100	\$ 0.125	\$ 0.275

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Alpena Bancshares, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity (Unaudited)
For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004

	Common Stock	Paid-in Capital	Additional Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensi Income (los
Balance at December 31, 2003	\$ 1,657,480	\$ 5,337,882	\$ 14,660,663	\$ 295,019
Stock issued upon exercise of stock options (1700 shares)	1,700	16,312	--	--
Net income for the period	--	--	331,974	--
Changes in unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities	--	--	--	(161,362)
Total comprehensive income	--	--	--	--
Dividends declared	--	--	(203,225)	--
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Balance at September 30, 2004	\$ 1,659,180	\$ 5,354,194	\$ 14,789,412	\$ 133,657
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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	For the Nine Month	
	September 30	
	2004	
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	(Unaudited)	
Net income	\$ 331,974	\$
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash from operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization of core deposit intangible	397,210	
Amortization of Intangible Assets	182,685	
Provision for loan losses	197,281	
Accretion of discounts, amortization of premiums, and other deferred yield items, net	308,244	
Principal amount of loans sold	19,521,972	71
Originations of loans held for sale	(19,246,947)	(71)
(Gain) loss on sale of real estate held for investment	--	
real estate owned and other repossessed assets	--	
Net Changes:		
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest receivable and other assets ..	(344,432)	
Increase (decrease) in accrued interest and other liabilities	(416,543)	
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Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	931,444	2
(Increase) decrease in net loans receivable	(23,835,975)	(11)
Proceeds from sales or maturity of:		
Investment securities AFS and HTM	29,253,390	17
Real estate held for investment	--	
Real estate owned, other repossessed assets and premises & equipment ...	197,281	
Purchases of:		
Investment securities AFS and HTM	(38,016,336)	(15)
Premises and equipment	(1,012,273)	(1)
FHLB Stock	(157,200)	
Real estate held for investment	(123,252)	
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Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(33,694,365)	(11)
Proceeds from Federal Home Loan Bank advances	--	
Repayments of Federal Home Loan Bank advances	144,623	4
Increase (decrease) in deposits	30,725,968	(4)
Advances from borrowers	195,950	
Dividend paid on common stock	(203,225)	
Issuance of common stock	18,012	
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Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	30,881,328	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(1,881,593)	(10)

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Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	6,705,125	15
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Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 4,823,532	\$ 4
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Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Cash paid during the period for income taxes	\$ --	\$
	=====	=====
Cash paid during the period for interest	\$ 4,451,898	\$ 4
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ALPENA BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

Note 1--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis of accounting and include the accounts of Alpena Bancshares, Inc. (the "Company") and its wholly-owned subsidiary, First Federal of Northern Michigan (the "Bank") and its wholly owned subsidiaries Financial Service and Mortgage Corporation ("FSMC") and the InsuranCenter of Alpena ("ICA"). FSMC invests in real estate that includes leasing, selling, developing, and maintaining real estate properties. ICA is a licensed insurance agency engaged in the business of property, casualty and health insurance. All material intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in the consolidation.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of American (GAAP) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-QSB and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. To the extent that information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements are contained in or are consistent with the audited financial statements incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-KSB for the year ended December 31, 2003, such information and footnotes have not been duplicated herein.

These interim financial statements are prepared without audit and reflect all adjustments, which, in the opinion of management, are necessary to present fairly the consolidated financial position of the Company at September 30, 2004, and its results of operations and statement of cash flows for the periods presented. All such adjustments are normal and recurring in nature. The accompanying consolidated financial statements do not purport to contain all the necessary financial disclosures required by generally accepted accounting principles that might otherwise be necessary and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto of the Company included in the Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2003. Results for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2004.

Critical Accounting Policies - The Company's critical accounting policies relate

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to the allowance for losses on loans, mortgage servicing rights and impairment of intangibles.

Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses - The Company has established a systematic method of periodically reviewing the credit quality of the loan portfolio in order to establish an allowance for losses on loans. The allowance for losses on loans is based on management's current judgments about the credit quality of individual loans and segments of the loan portfolio. The allowance for losses on loans is established through a provision for loan losses based on management's evaluation of the risk inherent in the loan portfolio, and considers all known internal and external factors that affect loan collectability as of the reporting date. Such evaluation, which includes a review of all loans on which full collectability may not be reasonably assured, considers among other matters, the estimated net realizable value or the fair value of the underlying collateral, economic conditions, historical loan loss experience, management's knowledge of inherent risks in the portfolio that are probable and reasonably estimable and other factors that warrant recognition in providing an appropriate loan loss allowance. This evaluation involves a high degree of complexity and requires management to make subjective judgments that often require assumptions or estimates about uncertain matters.

Mortgage Servicing Rights - In 2000, the Bank began selling to investors a portion of its originated residential mortgage loans. The mortgage loans serviced for others are not included in the consolidated statements of financial condition.

When the Bank acquires mortgage servicing rights through the origination of mortgage loans and sells those loans with servicing rights retained, it allocates the total cost of the mortgage loans to the mortgage servicing rights based on their relative fair value. As of September 30, 2004, the Bank was servicing loans sold to others totaling \$140.4 million. Capitalized mortgage servicing rights are amortized as a reduction of servicing fee income in proportion to, and over the period of, estimated net servicing income by use of a method that approximates the level-yield method. Capitalized mortgage servicing rights are periodically evaluated for impairment using a model that takes into account several variables. If impairment is identified, the amount of impairment is charged to earnings with the establishment of a valuation allowance against the capitalized mortgage servicing rights asset. In general, the value of mortgage servicing rights increases as interest rates rise and decreases as interest rates fall. This is because the estimated life and estimated income from a loan increase as interest rates rise and decrease as interest rates fall. The last evaluation was performed

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as of December 31, 2003. The key economic assumptions made in determining the fair value of the mortgage servicing rights included the following:

Annual Constant Prepayment Speed (CPR):	13.89%
Weighted Average Life Remaining (in months):	253.3
Discount Rate used:	7.36%

At the December 31, 2003 valuation, the mortgage servicing rights value was calculated, based on the above assumptions, to be \$1,421,175. The book value as of December 31, 2003 was \$993,108. Because the fair value exceeded the book value, there was no adjustment required. Due to the significant cushion that existed on December 31, 2003, management elected to not have an independent valuation performed. The book value of the Mortgage Servicing Rights on September 30, 2004 was \$898,152 which was \$94,956 lower than the December 31, 2003 book value.

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Impairment of intangibles - In connection with the purchase of the InsuranCenter of Alpena (ICA), the Company allocated the excess of the purchase price paid over the fair value of net assets acquired to intangible assets including goodwill. These intangible assets included the customer list and the Blue Cross Blue Shield Contract. The unallocated portion of the excess purchase price became true goodwill. The Company is amortizing the value assigned to the customer list and the Blue Cross contract over a 20 year period. Additionally, the Company is testing each of those assets for impairment on an ongoing basis. If, through testing, it was determined that there was significant runoff of the customer list or material changes to the Blue Cross contract, then there might be a need to further write down the value of those intangible assets. Writing down the assets would create expense to the Company and negatively impact earnings. In 2003, there was no impairment based upon the testing. The goodwill, which is not amortized, must also be tested for impairment on an ongoing basis. Based upon management's review on September 30, 2004, it was determined that there was no impairment of the customer list, the Blue Cross contract or to the goodwill.

Real Estate Held for Sale - FSMC is engaged in the development and sale of real estate. Land held for sale or development is carried at cost, including development costs, not in excess of fair value less costs to sell determined on an individual project basis.

Other Comprehensive Income - Accounting principles generally require that recognized revenue, expenses, gains and losses be included in net income. Certain changes in assets and liabilities, however, such as unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities, are reported as a separate component in the equity section of the consolidated balance sheet. Such items along with net income are components of comprehensive income.

Income Taxes - The provision for income taxes is based upon the effective tax rate expected to be applicable for the entire year.

Earnings per Share - Basic earnings per share is based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding in each period. Fully diluted earnings per share is based on weighted average shares outstanding assuming the exercise of the dilutive stock options, which are the only potential stock of the Company as defined in Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 128, Earnings per Share. The Company uses the treasury stock method to compute fully diluted earnings per share, which assumes proceeds from the assumed exercise of stock options would be used to purchase common stock at the average market price during the period.

Note 2--REORGANIZATION.

The Company was formed as the Bank's holding company on November 14, 2000 pursuant to a plan of reorganization adopted by the Bank and its stockholders. Pursuant to the reorganization, each share of the Bank's stock held by existing stockholders of the Bank was exchanged for a share of common stock of the Company by operation of law. The reorganization had no financial statement impact. Approximately 56% of the Company's capital stock is owned by Alpena Bancshares M.H.C. ("the M.H.C."), a mutual holding company. The remaining 44% of the Company's stock is owned by the general public. The activity of the M.H.C. is not included in these financial statements.

Note 3--DIVIDENDS.

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Payment of dividends on the common stock is subject to determination and declaration by the Board of Directors and depends upon a number of factors, including capital requirements, regulatory limitations on the payment of dividends, the Company's results of operations and financial condition, tax considerations and general economic conditions. The M.H.C. (the majority shareholder of the Company) filed a notice with the Office of Thrift Supervision (the "OTS") requesting approval to waive receipt of cash dividends from the Company for each quarterly dividend to be paid for the year ending December 31, 2004. In a letter dated February 26, 2004, the OTS did not object to the dividend waiver request for the four quarters ending December 31, 2004.

On September 21, 2004, the Company declared a cash dividend on its common stock, payable on or about October 22, 2004, to shareholders of record as of September 30, 2004, equal to \$0.10 per share. The dividend on all shares outstanding totaled \$165,918, of which \$73,918 was paid to shareholders. Because the OTS has agreed to allow the M.H.C. to waive receipt of its dividend (amounting to \$92,000), this dividend was not paid.

Note 4--1996 STOCK OPTION PLAN AND 1996 RECOGNITION AND RETENTION PLAN

At September 30, 2004 the Company had outstanding stock options for 26,711 shares with a weighted average exercise price of \$10.48 compared to outstanding options for 29,011 shares at a weighted exercise price of \$10.57 at December 31, 2003. During the nine months ended September 30, 2004, the Board of Directors granted no options. At September 30, 2004, options had exercise prices ranging from \$9.625 to \$13.75 per share and a weighted average remaining contractual life of 3.47 years.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2004 the Company did not award any shares under the Recognition and Retention Plan ("RRP"). Shares issued under the RRP and issued pursuant to the exercise of stock option plan may be either authorized but unissued shares or reacquired shares held by the Company as treasury stock.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, options for 1,000 shares vested. The expense associated with those vested options would have been \$1,040 had the Company elected to adopt FAS 148 (see below).

Note 5 - OTHER INCOME

For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, other income totaled \$73,000 as compared to \$179,000 for the nine month period ended September 30, 2003. This was mainly comprised of appreciation of the cash value of the Director Benefit Plan which was \$56,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 compared to \$44,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2003. For the nine months ended September 30, 2003 there was also a settlement of an insurance claim for \$100,000.

Note 6 - OTHER EXPENSES

For the nine months ended September 30, 2004 other expenses totaled \$882,409. This was comprised of several larger expenses including printing, computer and office supplies of \$132,000, communication costs of \$97,000 and SBT expense of \$76,500. The balance of the total was comprised of expenses lower than \$60,000.

Note 7 - RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In November 2002, FASB issued Interpretation No. 45, Guarantor's Accounting and

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Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others (FIN 45). FIN 45 requires disclosures be made by a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its obligations under certain guarantees that it has issued. It also requires the recognition of a liability by a guarantor at the inception of certain guarantees that it has issued and that a guarantor recognize, at the inception of a guarantee, a liability for the fair value of the obligation undertaken in issuing the guarantee. The initial recognition and initial measurement provisions of this interpretation are applicable on a prospective basis to guarantees issued or modified after December 31, 2002. The disclosure requirements are effective for financial statements of

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interim or annual periods ending after December 15, 2002. The adoption of FIN 45 did not have a material effect on the Company's financial statements since the Company does not issue such guarantees.

In December 2002, the FASB issued Statement No. 148, Accounting for Stock-based Compensation-transition and Disclosure, which amends FASB 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation. Statement No.148 is effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2002. Statement No. 148 provides alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value-based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. In addition, Statement No. 148 amends the disclosure requirements of Statement No. 123. The Company has not adopted the fair value-based method of accounting for stock-based compensation as of September 30, 2004; therefore, there was no impact to the Company's financial statements.

In April 2003, the FASB issued Statement No. 149, Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities. Statement No. 149 amends SFAS No. 133 for certain decisions made by the Financial Accounting Standards Board as part of the Derivatives Implementation Group process and to clarify the definition of a derivative. This statement is effective for contracts entered into or modified after June 30, 2003, except for certain specific issues already addressed by the Derivatives Implementation Group and declared effective that are included in the statement. The adoption of the provisions of this statement did not have a material impact on the financial statements of the Company.

In May 2003, the FASB issued Statement No. 150, Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity. Statement No. 150 establishes standards for how to classify and measure certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. This statement is effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise is effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. The adoption of the provisions of this statement did not have a material impact on the financial statements of the Company.

In January 2003, FASB issued Interpretation No. 46, Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities an Interpretation of ARB No. 51 (FIN 46). FIN 46 addresses consolidation by business enterprises of variable interest entities. The Company does not have any variable interest entities as defined by this Interpretation and therefore, the adoption of the provisions of this FASB Interpretation did not have a material effect on the financial position or results of operations of the Company.

In March 2004, the Securities and Exchange Commission issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 105, Application of Accounting Principles to loan Commitments. This Staff Accounting Bulletin summarizes the views of the staff regarding the application of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of

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America to loan commitments accounted for as derivative instruments. The provisions of this Staff Accounting Bulletin are effective after March 31, 2004. The adoption of this Staff Accounting Bulletin did not have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Company.

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PART E - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 2 - MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion compares the financial condition of the Company consolidated with its wholly owned direct and indirect subsidiaries at September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, and the results of operations for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003. This discussion should be read in conjunction with the interim financial statements and footnotes included herein.

OVERVIEW

For the quarter ended September 30, 2004, the Company's earnings were \$244,000 compared to income of \$280,000 one year earlier, a decline of \$36,000 for the quarter. Year to date 2004, net income was \$332,000 compared to the first nine months of 2003 when net income was \$791,000. This represented a decline of \$459,000 or 58.1%. The Bank's return on average assets (ROA) for the trailing twelve months ended September 30, 2004 was 32 basis points compared to 48 basis points for the same period one year earlier. Management uses ROA as a tool to measure the performance of the Bank. ROA is reviewed on a trailing twelve-month basis each month by management and the Board of Directors. The earnings deterioration can be broken down into two key areas: the decline in Net Interest Margin (N.I.M.) and the slow down in mortgage banking activities.

Net Interest Margin - The Company's Net Interest Margin (N.I.M.), which represents net interest income divided by average interest earning assets, declined from 3.24% for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 to 3.04% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The decline was due to the interest rate environment that existed in 2003 which resulted in significant net interest margin compression. Many loans that were in portfolio in 2003 were refinanced and subsequently sold into the secondary market in 2003 and early 2004 thereby reducing the overall yield of the Bank's loan portfolio. The yield on interest earning assets declined from 6.35% at September 30, 2003 to 5.73% at September 30, 2004 due to the lower yield on the mortgage portfolio which fell 103 basis points from 7.58% at September 30, 2003 to 6.55% at September 30, 2004. Through the third quarter of 2004, the Bank was able to reduce the overall cost of funds from 3.36% as of September 30, 2003 to 2.90% as of September 30, 2004. However, since the reduction in yield exceeded the reduction in the cost of funds, the NIM declined when compared to the same period one year earlier. The conversion of cash, a lower yielding asset, into commercial and consumer loans, which carry higher yields when compared to the overnight rates earned by the cash, has helped to offset some of the pressure on the NIM.

Mortgage Banking - The Company generated lower income from mortgage banking activity in the nine months ended September 30, 2004 when compared to the same period in 2003. In the first quarter of 2003, interest rates began their descent toward 45 year lows which caused a significant wave of refinance

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activity during the first nine months of 2003. This heavy activity in 2003 produced income from loan fees and gains once these loans were sold into the secondary market. Mortgage banking income declined for the quarter by \$193,000 and for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 was down \$831,000.

Management has placed a focus on growth of the balance sheet in 2004 to get back to the interest earning asset levels that existed before the refinance boom began. With the pressure on margins created by the existing interest rate environment, management has focused on measured and controlled growth of interest earning assets to help offset the lower rates and the slowdown of mortgage lending activity.

FINANCIAL CONDITION

ASSETS: Total assets have grown \$30.6 million, or 13.6%, to \$254.5 million at September 30, 2004 from \$223.9 million at December 31, 2003. Cash and cash equivalents decreased by \$1.9 million or 28.1%, to \$4.8 million at September 30, 2004 from \$6.7 million at December 31, 2003 as excess cash was invested into bonds which provide higher yields than the overnight rates earned at the Federal Reserve Bank. Investment securities increased \$8.2 million, or 23.7% in the first nine months. Net loans receivable increased \$23.6 million, or 14.5%, to \$187.1 million at September 30, 2004 from \$163.5 million at December 31, 2003. The growth of net loans was attributable to growth across all lending areas. The mortgage loan portfolio grew primarily as the result of the purchase of \$9.1 million in mortgage loans from another Michigan bank of which \$7.8 million remained on our books as of September 30, 2004. All of the loans purchased were secured by real estate

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within the state of Michigan except a single loan that was secured by real estate in Indiana. Growth in both the commercial and consumer loan portfolios was the result of a concerted effort to further develop the Bank's penetration into those areas.

LIABILITIES: Deposits increased \$30.7 million or 20.3% to \$182.4 million as of September 30, 2004 from \$151.7 million at December 31, 2003. This increase was primarily attributable to the \$12.1 million in deposits acquired in the acquisition of two branches in May 2004 from North Country Bank and Trust. These acquired branches are located in Mancelona and Alanson, Michigan. The Bank was also successful in attracting deposit through various time deposit promotions which provided new funds to the Bank. Borrowings in the form of Federal Home Loan Bank advances increased \$250,000, or 1%, to \$46.1 million as of September 30, 2004 from \$45.8 million at December 31, 2003.

EQUITY: Stockholders' equity decreased by \$15,000 to \$21.94 million at September 30, 2004 from \$21.95 million at December 31, 2003. The decrease was due to lower market values on our investment portfolio. Compared to December 31, 2003, the net unrealized gain on available for sale securities decreased \$161,362 as of September 30, 2004 due to the rise in market interest rates.

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Three Months Ended September 30, 2004 Compared to Three Months Ended September 30, 2003

General: Net income for the quarter decreased by \$36,000 or 12.9% to \$244,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2004 from \$280,000 for the same quarter one year earlier. The decrease for the three month period was primarily due to

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the decrease in mortgage lending activity. Net interest income was slightly lower than the same quarter one year earlier; non-interest income was also lower as the volume of mortgage refinance deals slowed significantly. Mortgage refinancing provides income to the Bank in the form of fees and, if the loan is sold, a gain on sale plus loan servicing income. Compared to the third quarter of 2003, the volume of mortgage originations has significantly declined from \$39.3 million for the third quarter 2003, of which \$20.9 million were sold, to \$18.3 million for the third quarter 2004, of which \$8.0 million were sold.

Interest Income: Interest income was \$3.45 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004, compared to \$3.41 million for the comparable period in 2003. The slight increase in interest income for the three month period was primarily due to the increase in the Company's interest earning assets. The sale of longer term fixed rate mortgage loans and the subsequent reinvestment of these proceeds into lower yielding assets (investment securities and shorter duration non-mortgage loans) caused an overall decline in the yield of the Bank's loan portfolio. Overall, the total interest earning assets grew by \$27.6 million to \$240.4 million at September 30, 2004 compared to \$212.8 million at September 30, 2003. The mortgage loan portfolio experienced an increase in the average balance due to the purchase of \$9.1 million in loans in May 2004. Overall the average balance of the mortgage portfolio grew by \$10.3 million or 10.3% for the three month period ended September 30, 2004 compared to the same period one year earlier. Non mortgage loans also experienced increases in average balances of \$19.5 million, or 33.2%. This growth was attributed to an increase in lending in both the consumer and commercial lending areas of the Bank. During this same period, there was a decrease in the average balance of other investments of \$2.3 million, or 4.2%, for the three month period ended September 30, 2004, compared to the same period in the prior year. This decline in other investments related to cash and investments which were redeployed to fund the increases in non-mortgage loans during the quarter. The overall average yield on earning assets was 5.72% for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 compared to 6.23% for the quarter ended September 30, 2003.

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Interest Expense: Interest expense was \$1.62 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2004 compared to \$1.58 million for the same period in 2003. The 2.9% increase in interest expense was attributable to the increase in the average balances on these liabilities for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 compared to the quarter ended September 30, 2003. The average balance of deposits and FHLB borrowings increased from \$195.9 million to \$222.8 million for the periods ended September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2004, respectively. Of this \$26.9 million increase, \$19.2 million related to interest-bearing deposits, which increased from a \$147.0 million average balance for the quarter ended September 30, 2003 to \$166.0 million average balance for the quarter ended September 30, 2004. This increase in the average balance of interest bearing deposits can be attributed to the branch acquisition that occurred in May 2004 when the Bank acquired an additional \$12.1 million in liabilities from North Country Bank and Trust. The overall composite cost of deposits fell to 2.30% for the three months ended September 30, 2004 from 2.40% for the three months ended September 30, 2003. Total borrowings increased \$1.8 million to \$56.7 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 compared to \$49.0 million for the same

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period one year earlier. FHLB advances were used to fund loans and bond purchases. The overall cost of borrowings for the three months ended September 30, 2004 was 4.56% compared to 5.52% for the three months ended September 30, 2003 due to the repricing of higher cost maturing advances at lower market rates plus the addition of new borrowings at lower rates during the quarter. Overall the cost of these borrowings declined 96 basis points when compared to the same quarter one year earlier.

Net Interest Income: Net interest income decreased slightly by \$14,000 or .8% to \$1.82 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2004 from \$1.84 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2003. For the three months ended September 30, 2004, average interest-earning assets increased \$27.6 million, or 13.0% when compared to the same period in 2003. Average interest-bearing liabilities increased \$26.9 million, or 13.8% for the same period. The yield on average interest-earning assets declined 51 basis points to 5.72% for the three month period ended September 30, 2004 from 6.23% for the three month period ended September 30, 2003. The cost of average interest-bearing liabilities declined 30 basis points to 2.88% from 3.18% for the three month periods ended September 30, 2004 and September 30, 2003, respectively.

As a result of the decrease in the yield exceeding the reduction in cost of funds, the NIM declined to 3.05% for the three month period ended September 30, 2004, from 3.30% for the same period in 2003. In spite of the reduction of the overall NIM, the Bank was able to nearly offset this compression through the growth of the both the investment and loan portfolios.

Provision for Loan Losses: The allowance for loan losses is established through a provision for loan losses charged to earnings. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectability 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's periodic review of the collectability of the loans in light of 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. This evaluation is inherently subjective, as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available. The provision for loan losses amounted to \$68,000 for the three month period ended September 30, 2004 and \$11,000 for the comparable period in 2003.

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Non Interest Income: Non interest income was \$1.3 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2004, compared to \$1.4 million for the same period in 2003. This represented a decrease of \$115,000 or 8.4%. The biggest reason for the decline was in the mortgage lending area. Mortgage banking activities income for the quarter was lower by \$193,000. This represented a decrease of 47.8% over the quarter ended September 30, 2003. This decrease related to the reduction in gain on sale of mortgages sold into the secondary market. This was a function of the decreased volume of refinance activity when compared to the same period one year earlier. The InsuranCenter of Alpena provided \$765,000 of revenue from insurance and brokerage fees for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 which was

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\$19,000 higher than the same period last year. Other Income was \$29,000 more for the same time period last year. Service charges and other fees were \$34,000 higher. The increase was primarily related to Bounce Protection which generated \$30,000 of additional income for the third quarter of 2004 compared to the same quarter in 2003.

Non Interest Expenses: Non interest expenses were \$2.6 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2004, compared to \$2.8 million for the same period in 2003. The \$132,000 decrease represented a 4.8% reduction for the period. Compensation and employee benefits were lower for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 by \$48,000 when compared to the same quarter last year. This reduction was a result of lower commission expenses associated with mortgage lending activities. Other expenses were lower by \$87,000 for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 when compared to the same period one year earlier. This reduction relates to a decrease in professional services and consulting costs. Insurance and brokerage commission expense associated with the InsuranCenter of Alpena totaled \$336,000 for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 which was \$5,000 lower than the same period last year.

Income Taxes: Federal income taxes decreased to \$122,000 for the three month period ended September 30, 2004 compared to \$140,000 for the same period in 2003. The effective tax rate for both time periods was 33.5%. The reduction in income tax was a reflection of lower pre tax earnings for the quarter.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003

General: Net income decreased 58.1% to \$332,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 from \$791,000 for the same period ended September 30, 2003. The decrease for the nine month period was primarily due to the significant decrease in mortgage lending activity. While net interest income was slightly higher than the same period one year earlier, non-interest income was lower by \$293,000. Mortgage banking activities were \$831,000 lower for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 when compared to the same period last year due to the reduction in the volume of mortgage refinance activity. This decrease was partially offset by the increase in insurance and brokerage commissions of \$493,000 related to ICA. The increase was due to the inclusion of a full nine months of ICA ownership in 2004 compared to seven months of ownership in 2003.

Interest Income: Interest income was \$9.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, compared to \$10.1 million for the comparable period in 2003. The decrease of \$326,000 (or 3.2%) in interest income for the nine month period from the prior year was primarily due to the sale of longer term fixed rate mortgage loans and the subsequent reinvestment of these proceeds into lower yielding assets (investment securities and shorter duration non-mortgage loans) which caused an overall decline in the yield of the Bank's loan portfolio. The mortgage loan portfolio experienced an increase in the average balance for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 compared to the same period one year earlier. The increase was due to the purchase of \$9.1 million in mortgage loans in May 2004. Overall the average mortgage balance increased \$4.3 million or 4.3% for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 when compared to the period ended September 30, 2003. While the average balance increased,

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the overall average yield of the mortgage portfolio fell 103 basis points to 6.55% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The decline in yield was a function of the refinance and subsequent sale of loans within the mortgage portfolio in 2003. The non mortgage loans average balance increased during the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 by \$18.9 million, or 36.0%. This increase related to commercial and consumer lending which have both seen increases in loan balances when compared to the same period one year earlier. The average balance for commercial loans has grown to \$48.8 million compared to \$32.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2003. This represented an increase of \$16.0 million or 48.6%. The yield for commercial loans over this same period has declined 21 basis points to 5.75% from 5.96% at September 30, 2003. The consumer loan portfolio has grown by \$3.0 million or 15.1% when compared to the same period one year earlier. The yield of the consumer loan portfolio has also declined over this same period by 123 basis points to 6.96% from 8.19% at September 30, 2003. The reason for the decline in yield of this portfolio can be attributed to the growth which was centered on a home equity loan promotion which offered a sub prime introductory interest rate. The growth of these loans with this low rate pulled down the average yield of the consumer portfolio when compared to the same period one year earlier. Other investments have decreased by \$9.4 million, or 16.0%, for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004, compared to the same period in the prior year. This decrease in other investments related to cash which has been redeployed into higher yielding loans. The overall effect of these changes was a reduction of \$326,000 in interest income when compared to the nine month period ended September 30, 2003. Overall, the composite yield of earning assets was 58 basis points lower than the same period one year earlier. The overall yield was 5.73% for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 compared to 6.31% for the same period ended September 30, 2003.

Interest Expense: Interest expense was \$4.6 million for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 compared to \$4.9 million for the same period in 2003. The reduction in interest expense was \$359,000 or a 7.3% decline. The reduction was attributable to lower interest rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities compared to the same 2003 period. The average balance of deposits and borrowings increased in total from \$195.4 million to \$209.3 million for the period ended September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2004, respectively. Of this \$13.9 million increase, \$7.0 million was related to FHLB borrowings, which increased from a \$48.0 million average balance for the period ended September 30, 2003 to \$55.0 million average balance for the period ended September 30, 2004. The reduction in the overall interest expense related to the decrease in the cost of the liabilities. The average cost of deposits for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 was 2.27% versus 2.61% for the same period one year earlier. The average costs of borrowings were 4.66% for the period ended September 30, 2004 versus 5.66% for the same period one year earlier. This 100 basis point reduction in the cost of these funds was the result of additional shorter term borrowings at lower rates and the repricing of higher cost advances late in 2003. The overall composite costs of funds declined 46 basis points from 3.36% at September 30, 2003 to 2.90% at September 30, 2004.

Net Interest Income: Net interest income increased by \$33,000 for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 compared to the same period in 2003. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, average interest-earning assets increased \$13.9 million, or 6.5% when compared to the same period in 2003. Average interest-bearing liabilities increased \$13.1 million, or 7.1% for the same period. The yield on average interest-earning assets declined 58 basis points to 5.73% for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 from 6.31% for the nine month period ended September 30, 2003. The cost of average interest-bearing liabilities declined 46 basis points to 2.90% from 3.36% for the nine month periods ended September 30, 2004 and September 30, 2003, respectively. While the

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overall net interest margin declined 18 basis points for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 from 3.22% to 3.04%, the increase in the amount of interest earning assets was enough to more than compensate for the overall decline in N.I.M.

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Delinquent Loans and Nonperforming Assets. The following table sets forth information regarding loans delinquent 90 days or more and REO/ORR by the Bank at the dates indicated. As of the dates indicated, the Bank did not have any material restructured loans within the meaning of SFAS 15.

	September 30, 2004	December 31, 2003
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Total non-accrual loans (3)	\$ 480	\$1,291
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Accrual loans delinquent 90 days or more:		
One- to four-family residential	910	617
Other real estate loans	--	77
Consumer/Commercial	370	134
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Total accrual loans delinquent 90 days or more	\$1,280	\$ 828
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Total nonperforming loans (1)	1,760	2,119
Total real estate owned (2)	1	199
	=====	=====
Total nonperforming assets	\$1,761	\$2,318
	=====	=====
Total nonperforming loans to net loans receivable .	0.94%	1.30%
Total nonperforming loans to total assets	0.69%	0.95%
Total nonperforming assets to total assets	0.69%	1.04%

- (1) All the Bank's loans delinquent 90 days or more are classified as nonperforming.
- (2) Represents the net book value of property acquired by the Bank through foreclosure or deed in lieu of foreclosure. Upon acquisition, this property is recorded at the lower of its fair market value or the principal balance of the related loan.
- (3) For the Nine months ended September 30, 2004 and the twelve months ended December 31, 2003, the interest that would have been reported was \$ 62,328 and \$181,450 respectively were these loans not in non-accrual status.

Provision for Loan Losses: The allowance for loan losses is established through a provision for loan losses charged to earnings. 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's periodic review of the collectability of the loans in light of historical experience, the nature and volume of the loan portfolio,

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adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay, estimated value of any underlying collateral and prevailing economic conditions. This evaluation is inherently subjective, as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available. The provision for loan losses amounted to \$214,000 for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 and \$238,000 for the comparable period in 2003. At September 30, 2004, the percent of nonperforming loans decreased to 94 basis points from 130 basis points at December 31, 2003. As a percent of total assets, nonperforming loans decreased to 69 basis points at September 30, 2004 from 95 basis points at December 31, 2003.

Non Interest Income: Non interest income was \$3.6 million for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004, compared to \$3.9 million for the same period in 2003. This represented a decrease of \$293,000 or 7.5%. When compared to the same period of 2003, mortgage banking activities income was lower by \$831,000. This represented a decrease of 64.3% over the nine months ended September 30, 2003. This decrease related to the gain on sale of mortgages sold in the secondary market which was \$636,000 lower than the same period one year earlier. The revenue associated with mortgage servicing rights was also \$177,000 lower than last year. This reduction stemmed from fewer loans being sold in 2004 compared to the first nine months of 2003.

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These mortgage revenue declines were offset by the inclusion of the InsuranCenter of Alpena insurance and brokerage commissions which were \$2.2 million for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2004 compared \$1.7 million for the same period one year earlier. This is an increase of \$493,392 or 28.4%. This increase for ICA related to nine full months of commissions in 2004 compared to only seven months in 2003. That difference related to the purchase agreement for ICA which had an effective date for the transaction of March 1, 2003.

Non Interest Expenses: Non interest expenses were \$8.1 million for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004, compared to \$7.7 million for the same period in 2003. The additional \$450,000 represented an increase of 5.9% for the nine month period. The primary issue causing the increase in non interest expenses related to having an additional two months of expenses associated with ICA. Insurance and brokerage commission expense for the InsuranCenter of Alpena totaled \$970,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 compared to \$771,000, a \$199,000 increase, for the seven months that were included in the 2003 results. Compensation and employee benefits also increased \$218,000 over the same period. This increase was mainly due to the two additional months of ICA's compensation expense totaling \$227,000. In addition, the Bank's Financial Institutions Retirement Fund (FIRF) expense was increased to make up for a shortfall in the pension plan funding. This added an additional expense of \$113,000 for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 when compared to the same period last year. As of September 30, 2004, the plan was fully funded.

Income Taxes: Federal income taxes decreased to \$167,060 for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 compared to \$393,420 for the same period in 2003. The effective tax rate for both time periods was 33.5%. The reduction in income tax is a reflection of lower earnings year to date.

LIQUIDITY

The Company's primary sources of funds are deposits, FHLB advances, and proceeds from principal and interest payments and prepayments on loans and mortgage-backed and investment securities. While maturities and scheduled amortization of loans and mortgage-backed securities are a predictable source of

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funds, deposit flows and mortgage prepayments are greatly influenced by general interest rates, economic conditions and competition.

Liquidity represents the amount of an institution's assets that can be quickly and easily converted into cash without significant loss. The most liquid assets are cash, short-term U.S. Government securities, U.S. Government agency securities and certificates of deposit. The Company is required to maintain sufficient levels of liquidity as defined by the OTS regulations. This requirement may be varied at the direction of the OTS. Regulations currently in effect require that the Company must maintain sufficient liquidity to ensure its safe and sound operation. The Company's objective for liquidity is to be above 20%. Liquidity as of September 30, 2004 was \$86.0 million, or 46.8%, compared to \$85.4 million, or 54.4% at December 31, 2003. The levels of these assets are dependent on the Company's operating, financing, lending and investing activities during any given period. The liquidity calculated by the Company includes additional borrowing capacity available with the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB). This borrowing capacity is limited to the lowest of the capacity limitations based on the Bank's Board Resolution, FHLB stock owned by the Bank, or the Bank's pledged collateral. As of September 30, 2004, the Bank had unused borrowing capacity based on collateral of \$20.5 million. The Bank can pledge additional collateral in the form of investment securities to increase the borrowing capacity up to the level established by Board resolution.

The Company intends to retain for the portfolio certain originated residential mortgage loans (primarily adjustable rate, balloon and shorter term fixed rate mortgage loans) and to generally sell the remainder in the secondary market. The Company will from time to time participate in or originate commercial real estate loans, including real estate development loans. During the nine month period ended September 30,

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2004 the Company originated \$49.1 million in residential mortgage loans, of which \$29.8 million were retained in portfolio while the remainder were sold in the secondary market or are being held for sale. This compares to \$115.4 million in originations during the first nine months of 2003 of which \$44.6 million were retained in portfolio. The Company also originated \$26.1 million of commercial loans and \$13.1 million of consumer loans in the first nine months of 2004 compared to \$27.7 million of commercial loans and \$14.4 million of consumer loans for the same period in 2003. Of total loans receivable, excluding loans held for sale, mortgage loans comprised 56.9% and 60.9%, commercial loans 29.8% and 26.4% and consumer loans 13.3% and 12.7% at September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, respectively. At September 30, 2004, the Company had outstanding loan commitments of \$43.8 million. These commitments included \$12.3 million for permanent one-to-four family dwellings, \$10.6 million for non-residential loans, \$3.9 million of undisbursed loan proceeds for construction of one-to-four family dwellings, \$8.6 million of undisbursed lines of credit on home equity loans, \$1.1 million of unused credit card lines and \$6.5 million of unused commercial lines of credit, \$802,000 of undisbursed, Commercial construction.

Deposits are a primary source of ; funds for use in lending and for other general business purposes. At September 30, 2004 deposits funded 71.6% of the

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report, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports the Company files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified by the SEC's rules and forms and in timely alerting them to material information relating to the Company (or its consolidated subsidiaries) required to be included in its periodic SEC filings.

There has been no change in the Company's internal control over the financial reporting during the Company's second quarter of fiscal year 2004 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

- Item 1 - Legal Proceedings:
Not applicable.
- Item 2 - Changes in Securities and Use of Proceeds:
Not applicable.
- Item 3 - Defaults upon Senior Securities:
Not applicable.
- Item 4 - Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders:
None
- Item 5 - Other Information:
Not applicable
- Item 6 - Exhibits:
Exhibits:
Exhibit 31.1 Certification by Chief Executive Officer pursuant to section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Exhibit 31.2 Certification by Chief Financial Officer pursuant to section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Exhibit 32.1 Statement of Chief Executive Officer furnished pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Exhibit 32.2 Statement of Chief Financial Officer furnished pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

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SIGNATURES

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

ALPENA BANCSHARES, INC.

By: /a/Martin A. Thomson

Martin A. Thomson
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: Nov. 15, 2004

By: /s/Michael W. Mahler

Michael W. Mahler
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: Nov. 15, 2004