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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2015

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 No. 001-35399

CHEVIOT FINANCIAL CORP.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland	90-0789920
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

3723 Glenmore Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45211
(Address of principal executive office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 661-0457

N/A
Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report

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

Yes No

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

Yes No

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

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer

Small business issuer

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

Yes No

As of November 9, 2015, the latest practicable date, 6,802,954 shares of the registrant's common stock, $.01 par value, were issued and outstanding.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014
(In thousands, except share data)

	September 30, 2015 (Unaudited)	**December 31, 2014**
ASSETS		
Cash and due from banks	$ 35,132	$ 22,757
Federal funds sold	-	14,941
Interest-earning deposits in other financial institutions	17,841	4,741
Cash and cash equivalents	52,973	42,439
Investment securities available for sale - at fair value	96,568	126,999
Mortgage-backed securities available for sale - at fair value	7,925	9,400
Loans receivable - net	362,274	335,763
Loans held for sale - at lower of cost or market	2,821	1,332
Real estate acquired through foreclosure - net	1,432	1,815
Office premises and equipment - at depreciated cost	11,070	11,428
Federal Home Loan Bank stock - at cost	8,651	8,651
Accrued interest receivable on loans	1,065	1,031
Accrued interest receivable on mortgage-backed securities	28	35
Accrued interest receivable on investments and interest-earning deposits	363	735
Goodwill	10,309	10,309
Core deposit intangible	302	391
Prepaid expenses and other assets	4,346	3,915
Bank-owned life insurance	16,294	15,960
Prepaid federal income taxes	54	12
Deferred federal income taxes	88	1,022
Total assets	**$ 576,563**	**$ 571,237**
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Deposits	$ 459,856	$ 451,784
Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank	12,849	14,851
Advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance	1,734	2,651
Accrued interest payable	52	58
Accounts payable and other liabilities	5,182	5,711

Total liabilities	479,673	475,055
Shareholders' equity		
Preferred stock - authorized 5,000,000 shares, $.01 par value; none issued Common stock - authorized 30,000,000 shares, $.01 par value; 6,802,954 and 6,718,795 shares issued at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014	68	67
Additional paid-in capital	56,698	55,980
Shares acquired by stock benefit plans	(1,449)	(1,470)
Retained earnings - restricted	42,062	43,151
Accumulated comprehensive loss, unrealized losses on securities available for sale, net of related tax benefit	(489)	(1,546)
Total shareholders' equity	96,890	96,182
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	**$ 576,563**	**$ 571,237**

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)

For the nine and three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Nine months ended September 30,		Three months ended September 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Interest income				
Loans	$11,161	$11,063	$3,747	$3,619
Mortgage-backed securities	115	199	35	87
Investment securities	1,994	2,326	618	778
Interest-earning deposits and other	285	267	100	89
Total interest income	13,555	13,855	4,500	4,573
Interest expense				
Deposits	2,263	2,279	732	741
Borrowings	327	413	107	127
Total interest expense	2,590	2,692	839	868
Net interest income	10,965	11,163	3,661	3,705
Provision for losses on loans	1,083	810	660	255
Net interest income after provision for losses on loans	9,882	10,353	3,001	3,450
Other income				
Rental	77	80	25	24
(Loss) gain on sale of real estate acquired through foreclosure	(47)	84	(39)	59
Gain on sale of office premises and equipment	7	-	-	-
Gain on sale of loans	726	414	260	247
Gain on sale of investment securities designated as available-for-sale	-	795	-	74
Earnings on bank-owned life insurance	334	349	113	116
Service fee income	1,109	1,171	387	399
Other operating	7	8	4	4
Total other income	2,213	2,901	750	923
General, administrative and other expense				
Employee compensation and benefits	5,387	4,288	1,511	1,406
Occupancy and equipment	968	1,080	322	348

Property, payroll and other taxes	972	840	328	271
Data processing	617	479	221	160
Legal and professional	651	638	193	174
Advertising	225	225	75	75
FDIC expense	252	308	83	92
ATM processing expense	324	282	120	99
Real estate owned impairment	128	547	10	54
Core deposit intangible amortization	89	115	27	34
Other operating	1,182	1,250	397	349
Total general, administrative and other expense	10,795	10,052	3,287	3,062
Earnings before income taxes	1,300	3,202	464	1,311
Federal income taxes (benefit)				
Current	31	116	33	(29)
Deferred	390	843	101	438
Total federal income taxes	421	959	134	409
NET EARNINGS	**$879**	**$2,243**	**$330**	**$902**
EARNINGS PER SHARE				
Basic	**$.13**	**$.34**	**$.05**	**$.14**
Diluted	**$.13**	**$.34**	**$.05**	**$.14**
Dividends per common share	**$.29**	**$.27**	**$.10**	**$.09**

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) (UNAUDITED)

For the nine and three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014
(In thousands)

	For the nine months ended September 30,		**For the three months ended September 30,**	
	2015	**2014**	**2015**	**2014**
Net earnings for the period	$879	$2,243	$330	$902
Other comprehensive income, net of tax expense:				
Unrealized holding gains on securities during the period, net of tax expense of $545 and $2,730 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and $576 and $64 for the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively	1,057	5,299	1,118	124
Reclassification adjustment for gains on securities available for sale included in income, net of tax expense (benefit) of $0 and $(270) for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and $0 and $(25) for the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively	-	(525)	-	(49)
Comprehensive income	**$1,936**	**$7,017**	**$1,448**	**$977**
Accumulated comprehensive loss	**$(489)**	**$(2,455)**	**$(489)**	**$(2,455)**

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014
(In thousands)

	2015	2014
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net earnings for the period	$879	2,243
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Amortization of premiums and discounts on investment and mortgage-backed securities, net	(9)	(11)
Depreciation	484	538
Amortization of deferred loan origination costs - net	145	47
Amortization of intangible assets	89	115
Amortization of fair value adjustments	(240)	(341)
Proceeds from sale of loans in the secondary market	36,218	17,230
Loans originated for sale in the secondary market	(37,693)	(17,746)
Gain on sale of loans	(726)	(414)
Loss (gain) on sale of real estate acquired through foreclosure	47	(80)
Impairment on real estate acquired through foreclosure	128	547
Gain on sale of office premises and equipment	(7)	-
Gain on sale of investment securities designated as available-for-sale	-	(795)
Net increase in cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance	(334)	(349)
Amortization of expense related to stock benefit plans	69	45
Provision for losses on loans	1,083	810
Increase (decrease) in cash due to changes in:		
Accrued interest receivable on loans	(34)	127
Accrued interest receivable on mortgage-backed securities	7	(32)
Accrued interest receivable on investments and interest earning deposits	372	144
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(431)	(701)
Accrued interest payable	(6)	(11)
Accounts payable and other liabilities	(603)	(112)
Federal income taxes		
Current	(42)	1,017
Deferred	390	843
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(214)	3,114
Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities:		
Principal repayments on loans	59,761	49,789
Loan disbursements	(86,698)	(48,501)
Purchase of investment securities - available for sale	(29,996)	(14,978)
Proceeds from maturity of investment securities - available for sale	61,965	30,000
Proceeds from the sale of corporate securities	-	2,715
Purchase of mortgage-backed securities – available for sale	-	(10,095)

Principal repayments on mortgage-backed securities - available for sale	1,548	1,509
Principal repayments on mortgage-backed securities - held to maturity	-	347
Proceeds from sale of real estate acquired through foreclosure	361	1,034
Proceeds from bank-owned life insurance	-	237
Proceeds from sale of office premises and equipment	55	-
Purchase of office premises and equipment	(174)	(41)
Net cash provided by investing activities	6,822	12,016
Cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities:		
Net increase (decrease) in deposits	8,072	(13,304)
Repayments on Federal Home Loan Bank advances	(13,932)	(3,750)
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	12,000	-
Advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance	(917)	(654)
Stock option expense, net	136	39
Common stock issued	535	-
Common stock repurchased	-	(1,450)
Dividends paid on common stock	(1,968)	(1,825)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	3,926	(20,944)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	10,534	(5,814)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	42,439	22,112
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	**$52,973**	**$16,298**

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014
(In thousands)

	2015	2014
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Federal income taxes	**$26**	**$-**
Interest on deposits and borrowings	**$2,596**	**$2,703**
Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing activities:		
Transfer of loans to real estate acquired through foreclosure	**$162**	**$503**
Recognition of mortgage servicing rights	**$249**	**$104**
Deferred gain on real estate acquired through foreclosure	**$-**	**$4**

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

1. Basis of Presentation

Cheviot Financial Corp. ("Cheviot Financial" or the "Corporation") is a savings and loan holding company, the principal asset of which consists of its 100% ownership of Cheviot Savings Bank (the "Savings Bank"). The Savings Bank conducts a general banking business in southwestern Ohio which consists of attracting deposits and applying those funds primarily to the origination of real estate loans. The Savings Bank's profitability is significantly dependent on net interest income, which is the difference between interest income from interest-earning assets and the interest expense paid on interest-bearing liabilities. Net interest income is affected by the relative amount of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities and the interest received or paid on these balances.

On January 18, 2012, Cheviot Financial completed a second step reorganization and sale of common stock. Prior to the completion of the second step conversion, Cheviot Financial's predecessor was a federal corporation and mid-tier holding company. Following the reorganization Cheviot Financial is a Maryland corporation and the holding company of the Savings Bank.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with instructions for Form 10-Q and, therefore, do not include information or footnotes necessary for a complete presentation of financial position, results of operations and cash flows in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, these consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto of Cheviot Financial included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014. However, in the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of only normal recurring accruals) which are necessary for a fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements have been included. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the results which may be expected for the entire year.

Cheviot Financial evaluates subsequent events through the date of filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

2. Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements as of and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 include the accounts of the Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiary, the Savings Bank. All significant intercompany items have been eliminated.

3. Liquidity and Capital Resources

Liquidity is the ability to meet the financial obligations that arise in the ordinary course of business. Liquidity is primarily needed to meet the borrowing and deposit withdrawal requirements of customers and to fund current and planned expenditures. The Corporation's primary sources of funds are deposits, scheduled amortization and prepayments of loan principal and mortgage-backed securities, maturities and calls of securities and funds provided by operations. In addition, the Corporation may borrow from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati. At September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Corporation had $12.8 million and $14.9 million, respectively, in outstanding borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati and had the capacity to increase such borrowings at those dates by approximately $142.1 million and $132.1 million, respectively.

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3. Liquidity and Capital Resources (continued)

Loan repayments and maturing securities are a relatively predictable source of funds. However, deposit flows, calls of securities and prepayments of loans and mortgage-backed securities are strongly influenced by interest rates, general and local economic conditions and competition in the marketplace. These factors reduce the predictability of these sources of funds.

The Corporation's primary investing activities are the origination of one- to four-family real estate loans, commercial real estate, construction and consumer loans, and the purchase of securities. For the nine months ended September 30, 2015, loan originations totaled $124.4 million, compared to $66.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

Total deposits increased $8.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2015, while total deposits decreased $13.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2014. Deposit flows are affected by the level of interest rates, the interest rates and products offered by competitors and other factors.

The following table sets forth information regarding the Corporation's obligations and commitments to make future payments under contracts as of September 30, 2015.

	Payments due by period			
	Less than 1 year	More than 1-3 years	More than 4-5 years	More than 5 years	Total

	(In thousands)				
Contractual obligations:					
Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank	$41	$12,693	$115	$ -	$12,849
Certificates of deposit	103,731	55,010	44,980	-	203,721
Lease obligations	82	159	119	99	459
Amount of loan commitments and expiration per period:					
Commitments to originate one- to four-family loans	1,984	-	-	-	1,984
Commitments to originate commercial loans	16,725	-	-	-	16,725
Home equity lines of credit	25,309	-	-	-	25,309
Commercial lines of credit	15,581	-	-	-	15,581
Undisbursed loans in process	15,347	-	-	-	15,347
Total contractual obligations	**$178,800**	**$67,862**	**$45,214**	**$ 99**	**$291,975**

Cheviot Financial is committed to maintaining a strong liquidity position and management monitors the Corporation's liquidity position on a daily basis. The Corporation anticipates that it will have sufficient funds to meet current funding commitments. Based on deposit retention experience and current pricing strategy, its anticipated that a significant portion of maturing time deposits will be retained.

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3. Liquidity and Capital Resources (continued)

The following sets forth our regulatory capital position, compared to requirements to be considered "well-capitalized" as of September 30, 2015 under new Basel III regulatory capital requirements, and prior requirements as of December 31, 2014.

As of September 30, 2015
(Dollars in Thousands)

	Required Ratio		Actual Amount	Actual Ratio
Tier 1 Leverage	5.00	%	$ 79,352	13.8 %
Common Equity Tier 1 Risk-Based Capital	6.50	%	$ 79,352	22.4 %
Tier 1 Risk-Based Capital	8.00	%	$ 79,352	22.4 %
Total Risk-Based Capital	10.00	%	$ 82,344	23.3 %

As of December 31, 2014
(Dollars in Thousands)

	Required Ratio		Actual Amount	Actual Ratio
Tier 1 Leverage	5.00	%	$ 77,752	13.9 %
Tier 1 Risk-Based Capital	6.00	%	$ 77,752	24.5 %
Total Capital	10.00	%	$ 79,988	25.2 %

4. Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share is computed based upon the weighted-average common shares outstanding during the period, less shares in the ESOP that are unallocated and not committed to be released plus shares in the ESOP that have been allocated. Weighted-average common shares deemed outstanding gives effect to 158,950 and 168,300 unallocated shares held by the ESOP for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

	For the nine months ended September 30,		**For the three months ended September 30,**	
	2015	**2014**	**2015**	**2014**
Weighted-average common shares outstanding (basic)	6,611,062	6,599,772	6,636,500	6,539,499
Dilutive effect of assumed exercise of stock options	101,500	65,168	93,475	62,530
Weighted-average common shares outstanding (diluted)	**6,712,562**	**6,664,940**	**6,729,975**	**6,602,029**

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5. Equity Incentive Plan

The Corporation established stock incentive plans that provide for grants of up to 884,017 stock options. During 2015, 189,070 stock options were granted in accordance with the 2005 and 2013 Equity Incentive Plans subject to a five year vesting period in which the options granted will vest ratably annually beginning one year from the date of grant. As of September 30, 2015, all option shares have been granted in accordance with the 2005 and 2013 Equity Incentive Plans. During 2014, 400,000 stock options were granted in accordance with the 2013 Equity Incentive Plan subject to a five year vesting period in which the options granted will vest ratably annually beginning one year from the date of grant. The shares in the plan and shares granted prior to the second step conversion have been adjusted to reflect the exchange ratio of 0.857 for the second step conversion that occurred in 2012.

The Corporation follows Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standard Codification Topic 718 (ASC 718), "Compensation – Stock Compensation," for its stock option plans, and accordingly, the Corporation recognizes the expense of these grants as required. Stock-based employee compensation costs pertaining to stock options is reflected as a net increase in equity, for both any new grants, as well as for all unvested options outstanding, in both cases using the fair values established by usage of the Black-Scholes option pricing model, expensed over the vesting period of the underlying option.

The compensation cost recorded for unvested equity-based awards is based on their grant-date fair value. For the nine months ended September 30, 2015, the Corporation recorded $136,000 of compensation cost for equity-based awards that vested. The Corporation has $710,000 unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested equity-based awards granted under its stock incentive plan as of September 30, 2015, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average vesting period of approximately 4.1 years.

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5. Equity Incentive Plan (continued)

A summary of the status of stock options as of September 30, 2015 and changes during the period then ended are presented below:

	Nine months ended September 30, 2015		**Year ended December 31, 2014**	
	Shares	**Weighted-average exercise price**	**Shares**	**Weighted-average exercise price**
Outstanding at beginning of period	758,929	$12.67	369,921	$12.80
Granted	189,070	14.96	400,000	12.48
Exercised	(328,831)	13.01	(10,992)	9.94
Forfeited	(75,000)	12.48	-	-
Outstanding at end of period	**544,168**	**$13.29**	**758,929**	**$12.67**
Options exercisable at period-end	**112,264**	**$12.32**	**352,781**	**$12.86**
Options expected to be exercisable at year-end	**112,264**		**352,781**	
Weighted fair value of options granted		**$2.05**		**NA**

The following information applies to options outstanding at September 30, 2015:

Number outstanding	544,168
Exercise price	$8.30 - $15.90
Weighted-average exercise price	$13.29

Weighted-average remaining contractual life	8.8 years

The expected term of options is based on evaluations of historical and expected future employee exercise behavior. The risk free interest rate is based upon the U.S. Treasury rates at the date of grant with maturity dates approximately equal to the expected life at the grant date. Volatility is based upon the historical volatility of the Corporation’s stock.

The fair value of each option granted is estimated on the date of grant using the modified Black-Scholes options-pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions used for the July 7, 2015, May 4, 2015 and July 15, 2014 grants: dividend yield of 2.70%, 2.33% and 2.88%; expected volatility of 15.09%, 15.56% and 14.25%; risk-free interest rates of 2.27%, 2.16% and 2.55%; and expected lives of 10 years.

The effects of expensing stock options are reported in “cash provided by financing activities” in the consolidated statements of cash flows.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

6. Investment and Mortgage-backed Securities

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains, gross unrealized losses and estimated fair values of investment securities at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 are shown below.

	September 30, 2015			
	Amortized cost	**Gross unrealized gains**	**Gross unrealized losses**	**Estimated fair value**
		(In thousands)		
Available for Sale:				
U.S. Government agency securities	$ 95,669	$87	$ 940	$ 94,816
Municipal obligations	1,690	62	-	1,752
	$ 97,359	**$149**	**$ 940**	**$ 96,568**

	December 31, 2014			
	Amortized cost	**Gross unrealized gains**	**Gross unrealized losses**	**Estimated fair value**
		(In thousands)		
Available for Sale:				
U.S. Government agency securities	$ 127,607	$7	$ 2,391	$ 125,223
Municipal obligations	1,691	85	-	1,776
	$ 129,298	**$92**	**$ 2,391**	**$ 126,999**

The amortized cost of investment securities at September 30, 2015, by contractual term to maturity, are shown below.

	September 30, 2015 (In thousands)
Less than one year	$ 26,552
One to five years	45,830
Five to ten years	24,977
More than ten years	-
	$ 97,359

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

6. Investment and Mortgage-backed Securities (continued)

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains, gross unrealized losses and estimated fair values of mortgage-backed securities at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 are shown below.

	September 30, 2015			
	Amortized cost	Gross unrealized holding gains	Gross unrealized holding losses	Estimated fair value
	(In thousands)			
Available for sale:				
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation adjustable-rate participation certificates	**$7,874**	**$ 51**	**$-**	**$7,925**

	December 31, 2014			
	Amortized cost	Gross unrealized holding gains	Gross unrealized holding losses	Estimated fair value
	(In thousands)			
Available for sale:				
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation adjustable-rate participation certificates	**$9,443**	**$ -**	**$43**	**$9,400**

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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6. Investment and Mortgage-backed Securities (continued)

The amortized cost of mortgage-backed securities at September 30, 2015, by contractual terms to maturity, are shown below. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may generally prepay obligations without prepayment penalties.

	September 30, 2015 (In thousands)
Due in one year or less	$ 1,774
Due in one year through five years	4,311
Due in five years through ten years	1,727
Due in more than ten years	62
	$ 7,874

The table below indicates the length of time individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position at September 30, 2015:

	Less than 12 months			**12 months or longer**			**Total**		
Description of securities	**Number of investments**	**Fair value**	**Unrealized losses**	**Number of investments**	**Fair value**	**Unrealized losses**	**Number of investments**	**Fair value**	**Unrealized losses**
					(Dollars in thousands)				
U.S. Government agency securities	1	$9,993	$ 7	12	$54,743	$ 933	13	$64,736	$ 940
Municipal obligations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Mortgage-backed securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total temporarily impaired securities	**1**	**$9,993**	**$ 7**	**12**	**$54,743**	**$ 933**	**13**	**$64,736**	**$ 940**

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6. Investment and Mortgage-backed Securities (continued)

Management does not intend to sell any of the debt securities with an unrealized loss and does not believe that it is more likely than not that the Corporation will be required to sell a security in an unrealized loss position prior to a recovery in value. The decline in the fair value is primarily due to an increase in market interest rates. The fair values are expected to recover as securities approach maturity dates. The Corporation has evaluated these securities and has determined that the decline in their values is temporary.

7. Income Taxes

The Corporation uses an asset and liability approach to accounting for income taxes. The asset and liability approach requires the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets are recognized if it is more likely than not that a future benefit will be realized. The Corporation accounts for income taxes in accordance with FASB Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 740, Income Taxes, which prescribes the recognition and measurement criteria related to tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return.

The Corporation’s principal temporary differences between financial income and taxable income result mainly from different methods of accounting for Federal Home Loan Bank stock dividends, the general loan loss allowance, deferred compensation, stock benefit plans and fair value adjustments arising from the First Franklin Corporation acquisition. The Corporation has approximately $610,000 of net operating losses to carryforward for the next 18 years. These losses are subject to the Internal Revenue Code Section 382 limitations which allow approximately $1.1 million of the losses on an annual basis to offset current year taxable income.

The Corporation recognizes the financial statement benefit of a tax position only after determining that the relevant tax authority would more likely than not sustain the position following an audit. For tax positions meeting the

more-likely-than-not threshold, the amount recognized in the financial statements is the largest benefit that has a greater than 50 percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the relevant tax authority. At adoption date, January 1, 2007 the Corporation applied the standard to all tax positions for which the statute of limitations remained open and was not required to record any liability for unrecognized tax benefits as that date. There have been no material changes in unrecognized tax benefits since January 1, 2007. The known tax attributes which can influence the Corporation’s effective tax rate is the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards subject to the limitations under Internal Revenue Code section 382.

The Corporation is subject to income taxes in the U.S. federal jurisdiction, as well as various state jurisdictions. Tax regulations within each jurisdiction are subject to the interpretation of the related tax laws and regulations and require significant judgment to apply. With few exceptions, the Corporation is no longer subject to U.S. federal, state and local, or non U.S. income tax examinations by tax authorities for the years before 2012.

The Corporation will recognize, if applicable, interest accrued related to unrecognized tax liabilities in interest expense and penalties in operating expenses.

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7. Income Taxes (continued)

Federal income tax on earnings differs from that computed at the statutory corporate tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014:

	For the nine months ended September 30,	
	2015	**2014**
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Federal income taxes at statutory rate of 34%	$442	$1,089
Increase (decrease) in taxes resulting primarily from:		
Stock compensation	102	17
Nontaxable interest income	(16)	(29)
Cash surrender value of life insurance	(114)	(119)
Other	7	1
Federal income taxes per financial statements	**$421**	**$959**
Effective tax rate	**32.4 %**	**30.0 %**

8. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Fair value information about financial instruments, whether or not recognized in the balance sheet, for which it is practical to estimate the value, is based upon the characteristics of the instruments and relevant market information. Financial instruments include cash, evidence of ownership in an entity or contracts that convey or impose on an entity

the contractual right or obligation to either receive or deliver cash for another financial instrument. These fair value estimates are based on relevant market information and information about the financial instruments. Fair value estimates are intended to represent the price for which an asset could be sold or liability could be settled. However, given there is no active market or observable market transactions identical to many of the Corporation's financial instruments, estimates of many of these fair values are based upon observable inputs which are subjective in nature, involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment, and therefore, cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimated values.

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Corporation in estimating its fair value disclosures for financial instruments at September 30, 2015:

Cash and cash equivalents: The carrying amounts presented in the consolidated statements of financial condition for cash and cash equivalents are deemed to approximate fair value.

Investment and mortgage-backed securities: For investment and mortgage-backed securities, fair value is deemed to equal the quoted market price.

Loans receivable: The loan portfolio was segregated into categories with similar characteristics, such as one-to four-family residential, multi-family residential and commercial real estate. These loan categories were further delineated into fixed-rate and adjustable-rate loans. The fair values for the resultant loan categories were computed via discounted cash flow analysis, using current interest rates offered for loans with similar terms to borrowers of similar credit quality. For loans on deposit accounts, fair values were deemed to equal the historic carrying values. The historical carrying amount of accrued interest on loans is deemed to approximate fair value.

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8. Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

Federal Home Loan Bank stock: The carrying amount presented in the consolidated statements of financial condition is deemed to approximate fair value.

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Deposits: The fair value of NOW accounts, passbook accounts, and money market demand deposits is deemed to approximate the amount payable on demand at September 30, 2015. Fair values for fixed-rate certificates of deposit have been estimated using a discounted cash flow calculation using the interest rates currently offered for deposits of similar remaining maturities.

Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank: The fair value of these advances is estimated using the rates currently offered for similar advances of similar remaining maturities or, when available, quoted market prices.

Advances by Borrowers for Taxes and Insurance: The carrying amount of advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance is deemed to approximate fair value.

Commitments to extend credit: For fixed-rate loan commitments, the fair value estimate considers the difference between current levels of interest rates and committed rates. At September 30, 2015, the fair value of the derivative loan commitments was not material.

9. Disclosures about Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities

The estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments are as follows:

	September 30, 2015		December 31, 2014	
	Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value
	(In thousands)			
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	$52,973	$52,973	$42,439	$42,439
Investment securities	96,568	96,568	126,999	126,999
Mortgage-backed securities	7,925	7,925	9,400	9,400
Loans receivable – net and loans held for sale	365,095	381,556	337,095	358,500
Accrued interest receivable	1,456	1,456	1,801	1,801
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	8,651	8,651	8,651	8,651
	$532,668	$549,129	$526,385	$547,790
Financial liabilities				
Deposits	$459,856	$459,401	$451,784	$451,165
Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank	12,849	12,425	14,851	15,726
Advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance	1,734	1,734	2,651	2,651
Accrued interest payable	52	52	58	58
	$474,491	$473,612	$469,344	$469,600

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9. Disclosures about Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities (continued)

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. A three-level hierarchy exists for fair value measurements based upon the inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability.

Level 1	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
Level 2	Observable inputs other than level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.
Level 3	Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

Fair value methods and assumptions are set forth below for each type of financial instrument.

Securities available for sale: Fair value on available for sale securities was based upon a market approach. Securities which are fixed income instruments that are not quoted on an exchange, but are traded in active markets, are valued using prices obtained from our custodian, which used third party data service providers and classified as level 2 assets. Management compares the fair values to another third party report for reasonableness. Available for sale securities includes U.S. agency securities, municipal bonds and mortgage-backed agency securities.

	Quoted prices

	Total	in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)	Significant other unobservable inputs (Level 3)
	(In thousands)			
Securities available for sale at September 30, 2015:				
U.S. Government agency securities	$94,816	-	$94,816	-
Municipal obligations	1,752	-	1,752	-
Mortgage-backed securities	7,925	-	7,925	-
Securities available for sale at December 31, 2014:				
U.S. Government agency securities	$125,223	-	$125,223	-
Municipal obligations	1,776	-	1,776	-
Mortgage-backed securities	9,400	-	9,400	-

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9. Disclosures about Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities (continued)

Fair value measurements for certain assets and liabilities recognized in the accompanying statements of financial condition and measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis:

	Total	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)	Significant other unobservable inputs (Level 3)
		(In thousands)		
September 30, 2015:				
Real estate acquired through foreclosure	$1,432	-	$ 1,432	-
Loans held for sale	2,821	-	2,821	-
Impaired loans	14,973	-	14,973	-
December 31, 2014:				
Real estate acquired through foreclosure	$1,815	-	$ 1,815	-
Loans held for sale	1,332	-	1,332	-
Impaired loans	15,382	-	15,382	-

The following table presents fair value measurements for the Company’s financial instruments which are not recognized at fair value in the accompanying statements of financial position on a recurring or nonrecurring basis.

	Total	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)	Significant other unobservable inputs (Level 3)
	(In thousands)			
September 30, 2015:				
Financial assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	$52,973	$ 52,973	$ -	$ -
Loans receivable - net	381,556	-	381,556	-
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	8,651	-	8,651	-
Accrued interest receivable	1,456	-	1,456	-
Financial liabilities:				
Deposits	459,401	-	459,401	-
Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank	12,425	-	12,425	-
Advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance	1,734	-	1,734	-
Accrued interest payable	52	-	52	-

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	Total	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)	Significant other unobservable inputs (Level 3)
	(In thousands)			
December 31, 2014:				
Financial assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	$42,439	$42,439	$ -	$ -
Loans receivable - net	358,500	-	358,500	-
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	8,651	-	8,651	-
Accrued interest receivable	1,801	-	1,801	-
Financial liabilities:				
Deposits	451,165	-	451,165	-
Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank	15,726	-	15,726	-
Advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance	2,651	-	2,651	-
Accrued interest payable	58	-	58	-

10. Intangible Assets

The Corporation recorded goodwill and other intangibles associated with the purchase of First Franklin Corporation and Franklin Savings and Loan in March 2011 totaling $11.6 million. Goodwill is not amortized, but is periodically evaluated for impairment. The Corporation did not recognize any impairment during the nine months ended September 30, 2015. The carrying amount of the goodwill at September 30, 2015 was $10.3 million.

Identifiable intangibles are amortized to their estimated residual values over the expected useful lives. Such lives are also periodically reassessed to determine if any amortization period adjustments are required. During the quarter ended September 30, 2015, no such adjustments were recorded. The identifiable intangible asset consists of a core deposit intangible which is being amortized on an accelerated basis over the useful life of such asset. The gross carrying amount of the core deposit intangible at September 30, 2015 was $1.3 million with $996,000 in accumulated amortization as of that date.

As of September 30, 2015, the current year and estimated future amortization expense for the core deposit intangible was:

	(In thousands)
2015	$ 27
2016	110
2017	110
2018	55
Total	$ 302

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11. Effects of Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In August 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2015-14, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Deferral of the Effective Date. The amendments in this update defer the effective date of Update 2014-09 for all entities by one year. Public companies should apply the guidance in Update 2014-09 to annual reporting periods beginning after December 31, 2017, including interim reporting periods within that reporting period. Early adoption is permitted only as of annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim reporting periods within that reporting period.

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12. Financing Receivables

The recorded investment in loans was as follows as of September 30, 2015:

	One-to four-family Residential	**Multi-family Residential**	**Construction**	**Commercial**	**Consumer**	**Total**
	(In thousands)					
Purchased loans	$54,328	$ 3,155	$ -	$ 21,263	$ 129	$78,875
Fair value discount - Credit impaired purchased loans	(922)	(3)	-	(292)	-	(1,217)
Fair value discount – Non-impaired purchased loans	(176)	(20)	-	(76)	(9)	(281)
Purchased loans book value[3]	53,230	3,132	-	20,895	120	77,377
Originated loans[1]	170,593	28,881	23,112 [2]	79,811	2,867	305,264
Ending balance	**$223,823**	**$ 32,013**	**$ 23,112**	**$ 100,706**	**$ 2,987**	**$382,641**

(1) Includes loans held for sale

(2) Before consideration of undisbursed loans-in-process

(3) Loans purchased in acquisition of First Franklin

The carrying amount of purchased loans consisting of credit-impaired purchased loans and non-impaired purchased loans is shown in the following table as of September 30, 2015.

	Non-impaired Purchased Loans	Credit Impaired Purchased Loans
	(In thousands)	
One-to four-family residential	$49,521	$ 3,709
Multi-family residential	2,776	356
Construction	-	-
Commercial	15,569	5,326
Consumer	119	1
Total	**$67,985**	**$ 9,392**

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

Activity during 2015 for the accretable discount related to acquired credit impaired loans is as follows:

	(In thousands)
Accretable discount at December 31, 2014:	$ 6,205
Less transferred to other real estate owned	-
Less accretion	(668)
Accretable discount at September 30, 2015:	**$ 5,537**

The recorded investment in loans was as follows as of September 30, 2015. Subsequent to acquisition, we regularly evaluate our estimates of cash flows expected to be collected on purchased impaired loans. If we have probable decreases in cash flows expected to be collected (other than due to decreases in interest rate indices and changes in prepayment assumptions), we charge the provision for credit losses, resulting in an increase to the allowance for loan losses. If we have probable and significant increases in cash flows expected to be collected, we first reverse any previously established allowance for loan losses and then increase interest income as a prospective yield adjustment over the remaining life of the loan, or pool of loans. Estimates of cash flows are impacted by changes in interest rate indices for variable rate loans and prepayment assumptions, both of which are treated as prospective yield adjustments included in interest income. Cheviot Financial's allowance at September 30, 2015 does not include any credit quality discount related to loans acquired from First Franklin, other than $559,000 for certain one-to four-family residential and nonresidential and commercial real estate loans. Due to uncertainties in the evaluation of allowance for loan loss, it is at least reasonably possible that management's estimate of the outcome will change within the next year.

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

The following summarizes activity in the allowance for credit losses:

	September 30, 2015					
	One-to four-family Residential	Multi-family Residential	Construction	Commercial	Consumer	Total
	(In thousands)					
Allowance for loan losses:						
Beginning balance	$1,813	$ 209	$7	$ 199	$ 8	$2,236
Provision	108	213	10	748	4	1,083
Charge-offs	(272)	(79)	-	(80)	-	(431)
Recoveries	97	-	-	6	1	104
Ending balance	**$1,746**	**$ 343**	**$17**	**$ 873**	**$ 13**	**$2,992**
Originated loans:						
Individually evaluated for impairment	$179	$ -	$-	$ 7	$ -	$186
Purchased loans:						
Individually evaluated for impairment	$81	$ -	$-	$ 87	$ -	$168
Originated loans:						
Collectively evaluated for impairment	$1,170	$ 343	$17	$ 704	$ 13	$2,247
Purchased loans:						
Loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality	$316	$ -	$-	$ 75	$ -	$391

Loans receivable:						
Ending balance	$223,823	$ 32,013	$23,112	$ 100,706	$ 2,987	$382,641
Ending balance: Individually evaluated for impairment	$4,394	$ 302	$-	$ 885	$ -	$5,581
Ending balance: Collectively evaluated for impairment	$215,720	$ 31,355	$23,112	$ 94,495	$ 2,986	$367,668
Ending balance: Loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality	$3,709	$ 356	$-	$ 5,326	$ 1	$9,392

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

	December 31, 2014					
	One-to four-family Residential	**Multi-family Residential**	**Construction**	**Commercial**	**Consumer**	**Total**
	(In thousands)					
Allowance for loan losses:						
Beginning balance	$1,352	$ 194	$9	$ 131	$ 11	$1,697
Provision	947	15	(2)	64	-	1,024
Charge-offs	(520)	-	-	(39)	(3)	(562)
Recoveries	34	-	-	43	-	77
Ending balance	**$1,813**	**$ 209**	**$7**	**$ 199**	**$ 8**	**$2,236**
Originated loans:						
Individually evaluated for impairment	$238	$ -	$-	$ 7	$ -	$245
Purchased loans:						
Individually evaluated for impairment	$135	$ -	$-	$ -	$ -	$135
Originated Loans:						
Collectively evaluated for impairment	$1,005	$ 209	$7	$ 151	$ 8	$1,380
Purchased loans:						
Loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality	$435	$ -	$-	$ 41	$ -	$476
Loans receivable:						
Ending balance	$231,626	$ 20,501	$8,327	$ 81,357	$ 921	$342,732

Ending balance: Individually evaluated for impairment	$3,750	$ 95	$-	$ 817	$ -	$4,662
Ending balance: Collectively evaluated for impairment	$223,846	$ 20,046	$8,327	$ 74,211	$ 920	$327,350
Ending balance: Loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality	$4,030	$ 360	$-	$ 6,329	$ 1	$10,720

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

The Corporation assigns credit risk grades to evaluated loans using grading standards employed by regulatory agencies. Loans judged to carry lower-risk attributes are assigned a “pass” grade, indicating a minimal likelihood of loss. Loans judged to carry a higher-risk attributes are referred to as “classified loans” and are further disaggregated, with increasing expectations for loss recognition, as “special mention”, “substandard”, “doubtful”, and “loss”. The Loan Classification of Assets committee assigns the credit risk grades to loans and reports to the board on a monthly basis with the “classified asset” report.

The following table summarizes the credit risk profile by internally assigned grade:

	Originated Loans at September 30, 2015					
	One-to four-family Residential	**Multi-family Residential**	**Construction**	**Commercial**	**Consumer**	**Total**
	(In thousands)					
Grade:						
Pass	$167,737	$ 28,688	$ 23,112	$ 78,815	$ 2,867	$301,219
Special mention	-	-	-	-	-	-
Substandard	2,856	193	-	996	-	4,045
Doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$170,593**	**$ 28,881**	**$ 23,112**	**$ 79,811**	**$ 2,867**	**$305,264**

	Originated Loans at December 31, 2014					
	One-to four-	**Multi-family Residential**	**Construction**	**Commercial**	**Consumer**	**Total**

	family Residential					
	(In thousands)					
Grade:						
Pass	$165,711	$ 17,090	$ 8,327	$ 56,191	$ 802	$248,121
Special mention	-	-	-	-	-	-
Substandard	2,407	95	-	1,022	-	3,524
Doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$168,118**	**$ 17,185**	**$ 8,327**	**$ 57,213**	**$ 802**	**$251,645**

	Purchased Loans at September 30, 2015					
	One-to four-family Residential	**Multi-family Residential**	**Construction**	**Commercial**	**Consumer**	**Total**
	(In thousands)					
Grade:						
Pass	$50,439	$ 3,023	$ -	$ 17,542	$ 120	$71,124
Special mention	-	-	-	-	-	-
Substandard	2,791	109	-	3,353	-	6,253
Doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$53,230**	**$ 3,132**	**$ -**	**$ 20,895**	**$ 120**	**$77,377**

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

Purchased Loans at December 31, 2014

	One-to four-family Residential	Multi-family Residential	Construction	Commercial	Consumer	Total
	(In thousands)					
Grade:						
Pass	$60,918	$ 3,316	$ -	$ 20,441	$ 18	$84,693
Special mention	-	-	-	-	-	-
Substandard	2,590	-	-	3,703	101	6,394
Doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$63,508**	**$ 3,316**	**$ -**	**$ 24,144**	**$ 119**	**$91,087**

The following tables summarize loans by delinquency, nonaccrual status and impaired loans:

Age Analysis of Past Due Originated Loans Receivable
As of September 30, 2015

	>30-89 Days Past Due	90 Days or more	Total Past Due	Current & Accruing	Nonaccrual	Total Loan Receivables	Recorded Investment 90 Days and Accruing
	(In thousands)						

Real Estate:							
1-4 family							
Residential	$215	$1,123	$1,338	$168,186	$ 2,192	$ 170,593	$ -
Multi-family	-	193	193	28,688	193	28,881	-
Construction	-	-	-	23,112	-	23,112	-
Commercial	-	161	161	79,650	161	79,811	-
Consumer	-	-	-	2,867	-	2,867	-
Total	**$215**	**$1,477**	**$1,692**	**$302,503**	**$ 2,546**	**$ 305,264**	**$ -**

Age Analysis of Past Due Originated Loans Receivable
As of December 31, 2014

	>30-89 Days Past Due	**90 Days or more**	**Total Past Due**	**Current & Accruing**	**Nonaccrual**	**Total Loan Receivables**	**Recorded Investment 90 Days and Accruing**
	(In thousands)						
Real Estate:							
1-4 family							
Residential	$999	$1,317	$2,316	$165,088	$ 2,031	$ 168,118	$ -
Multi-family	-	95	95	17,090	95	17,185	-
Construction	-	-	-	8,327	-	8,327	-
Commercial	-	143	143	57,051	162	57,213	
Consumer	-	-	-	802	-	802	-
Total	**$999**	**$1,555**	**$2,554**	**$248,358**	**$ 2,288**	**$ 251,645**	**$ -**

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

Age Analysis of Past Due Purchased Loans Receivable

As of September 30, 2015

	>30-89 Days Past Due	**90 Days or More**	**Total Past Due**	**Current & Accruing**	**Nonaccrual**	**Total Loan Receivables**	**Recorded Investment 90 Days and Accruing**
	(In thousands)						
Real Estate:							
1-4 family Residential	$2,857	1,920	$4,777	$ 47,985	$ 2,388	$ 53,230	$ -
Multi-family	-	-	-	3,023	109	3,132	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	156	133	289	19,885	854	20,895	-
Consumer	-	-	-	120	-	120	-
Total	**$3,013**	**$2,053**	**$5,066**	**$ 71,013**	**$ 3,351**	**$ 77,377**	**$ -**

Age Analysis of Past Due Purchased Loans Receivable
As of December 31, 2014

	30-89 Days Past Due	**90 Days or More**	**Total Past Due**	**Current & Accruing**	**Nonaccrual**	**Total Loan Receivables**	**Recorded Investment 90 Days and Accruing**

(In thousands)

Real Estate:							
1-4 family							
Residential	$1,846	$1,737	$3,583	$ 59,518	$ 2,144	$ 63,508	$ -
Multi-family	-	-	-	3,316	-	3,316	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	187	619	806	23,302	655	24,144	-
Consumer	-	-	-	119	-	119	-
Total	**$2,033**	**$2,356**	**$4,389**	**$ 86,255**	**$ 2,799**	**$ 91,087**	**$ -**

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

	Impaired Loans As of September 30, 2015				
	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized
	(In thousands)				
Purchased loans with a credit quality discount and no related allowance recorded:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family					
Residential	$3,675	$3,675	$ -	$ 3,826	$ 46
Multi-family	356	356	-	358	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	5,326	5,326	-	5,827	31
Consumer	1	1	-	1	-
Total	**$9,358**	**$9,358**	**$ -**	**$ 10,012**	**$ 77**
Purchased loans with a credit quality discount and an allowance recorded:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family					
Residential	$34	$34	$ 12	$ 43	$ -
Multi-family	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	-	-	-	-	-
Consumer	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$34**	**$34**	**$ 12**	**$ 43**	**$ -**
Purchased loans with no credit quality discount and no related allowance recorded:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family	$1,713	$1,713	$ -	$ 1,397	$ -
Residential					
Multi-family	109	109	-	54	-

Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	433	433	-	544	-
Consumer	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$2,255**	**$2,255**	**$ -**	**$ 1,995**	**$ -**
Purchased loans with an allowance recorded:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family	$488	$488	$ 69	$ 564	$ -
Residential					
Multi-family	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	291	291	87	145	-
Consumer	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$779**	**$779**	**$ 156**	**$ 709**	**$ -**

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

	Impaired Loans As of September 30, 2015				
	Recorded Investment	**Unpaid Principal Balance**	**Related Allowance**	**Average Recorded Investment**	**Interest Income Recognized**
	(In thousands)				
Originated loans with no related allowance recorded					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family	$1,640	$1,640	$ -	$ 1,502	$ -
Residential					
Multi-family					
Residential	193	193	-	144	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	114	114	-	115	-
Consumer	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$1,947**	**$1,947**	**$ -**	**$ 1,761**	**$ -**
Originated loans with an allowance recorded:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family	$553	$553	$ 179	$ 610	$ -
Residential					
Multi-family					
Residential	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	47	47	7	47	-
Consumer	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$600**	**$600**	**$ 186**	**$ 657**	**$ -**
Total:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family	$8,103	$8,103	$ 260	$ 7,942	$ 46
Residential					
Multi-family					
Residential	658	658	-	556	-

Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	6,211	6,211	94	6,678	31
Consumer	1	1	-	1	-
Total	**$14,973**	**$14,973**	**$ 354**	**$ 15,177**	**$ 77**

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

	Impaired Loans As of December 31, 2014				
	Recorded Investment	**Unpaid Principal Balance**	**Related Allowance**	**Average Recorded Investment**	**Interest Income Recognized**
	(In thousands)				
Purchased loans with a credit quality discount and no related allowance recorded:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family					
Residential	$3,977	$3,977	$ -	$ 3,578	$ 61
Multi-family	360	360	-	708	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	6,329	6,329	-	6,460	286
Consumer	1	1	-	1	-
Total	**$10,667**	**$10,667**	**$ -**	**$ 10,747**	**$ 347**
Purchased loans with a credit quality discount and an allowance recorded:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family					
Residential	$53	$53	$ 19	$ 16	$ -
Multi-family	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	-	-	-	-	-
Consumer	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$53**	**$53**	**$ 19**	**$ 16**	**$ -**
Purchased loans with no credit quality discount and no related allowance recorded:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family	$1,080	$1,080	$ -	$ 1,863	$ 23
Residential					
Multi-family	-	-	-	-	-

Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	655	655	-	328	10
Consumer	-	-	-	8	-
Total	**$1,735**	**$1,735**	**$ -**	**$ 2,199**	**$ 33**
Purchased loans with an allowance recorded:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family	$639	$639	$ 113	$ 263	$ 12
Residential					
Multi-family	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	-	-	-	-	-
Consumer	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$639**	**$639**	**$ 113**	**$ 263**	**$ 12**

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

	Impaired Loans As of December 31, 2014				
	Recorded Investment	**Unpaid Principal Balance**	**Related Allowance**	**Average Recorded Investment**	**Interest Income Recognized**
	(In thousands)				
Originated loans with no related allowance recorded					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family					
Residential	$1,365	$1,365	$ -	$ 1,786	$ 30
Multi-family	95	95	-	95	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	115	115	-	397	7
Consumer	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$1,575**	**$1,575**	**$ -**	**$ 2,278**	**$ 37**
Originated loans with an allowance recorded:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family					
Residential	$666	$666	$ 238	$ 214	$ 9
Multi-family	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	47	47	7	20	-
Consumer	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**$713**	**$713**	**$ 245**	**$ 234**	**$ 9**
Total:					
Real Estate:					
1-4 family					
Residential	$7,780	$7,780	$ 370	$ 7,720	$ 135
Multi-family	455	455	-	803	-
Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial	7,146	7,146	7	7,205	303
Consumer	1	1	-	9	-

Total	**$15,382**	**$15,382**	**$ 377**	**$ 15,737**	**$ 438**

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

Modifications
As of September 30, 2015

	Number of Contracts	Pre-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	Post-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment
		(Dollars in thousands)	
Troubled Debt Restructurings			
Real Estate:			
1-4 Family Residential	5	$ 367	$ 367
Multi-family Residential	-	-	-
Construction	-	-	-
Commercial	-	-	-
Consumer	-	-	-

Modifications
For the nine months ended September 30, 2015

	Number of Contracts	Recorded Investment
Troubled Debt Restructurings That Subsequently Defaulted		
Real Estate:		
1-4 Family Residential	-	$ -
Multi-family Residential	-	-
Construction	-	-
Commercial	-	-
Consumer	-	-

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12. Financing receivables (continued)

	Modifications As of December 31, 2014		
	Number of Contracts	**Pre-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment**	**Post-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment**
		(Dollars in thousands)	
Troubled Debt Restructurings			
Real Estate:			
1-4 family Residential	8	$ 2,529	$ 2,529
Multi-family Residential	-	-	-
Construction	-	-	-
Commercial	1	100	100
Consumer	-	-	-

	Number of Contracts	**Recorded Investment**
		(In thousands)
Troubled Debt Restructurings That Subsequently Defaulted		
Real Estate:		
1-4 Family Residential	5	$ 724
Multi-family Residential	-	-
Construction	-	-
Commercial	1	99
Consumer	-	-

The modifications related to interest only payments ranging from a three to six month period. Due to the short term cash flow deficiency, no related allowance was recorded as a result of the restructurings. The collateral value was updated with recent appraisals which gave no indication of impairment.

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ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF

FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Forward Looking Statements

This report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements, which can be identified by the use of such words as estimate, project, believe, intend, anticipate, plan, seek, expect and similar expressions. These forward-looking statements include, among other things:

- statements of our goals, intentions and expectations;
- statements regarding our business plans and prospects and growth and operating strategies;
- statements concerning trends in our provision for loan losses and charge-offs;
- statements regarding the trends in factors affecting our financial condition and results of operations, including asset quality of our loan and investment portfolios; and
- estimates of our risks and future costs and benefits.

These forward-looking statements are subject to significant risks, assumptions and uncertainties, including, among other things, the following important factors that could affect the actual outcome of future events: significantly increased competition among depository and other financial institutions; inflation and changes in the interest rate environment that reduce our interest margins or reduce the fair value of financial instruments; general economic conditions, either nationally or in our market areas, including employment prospects, real estate values and conditions that are worse than expected; decreased demand for our products and services and lower revenue and earnings because of a recession or other events; adverse changes and volatility in the securities markets or credit markets; legislative or regulatory changes that adversely affect our business, including changes in regulatory costs and capital requirements; our ability to enter new markets successfully and take advantage of growth opportunities, and the possible short-term dilutive effect of potential acquisitions or de novo branches, if any; changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the bank regulatory agencies, the Financial Accounting Standards Board or the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board; changes in monetary and fiscal policy of the U.S. Government, including policies of the U.S. Treasury and the Federal Reserve and changes in the level of government support of housing finance; changes in policy and/or assessment rates of taxing authorities that adversely affect us; changes in our organization, or compensation and benefit plans and changes in expense trends (including, but not limited to trends affecting non-performing assets, charge-offs and provisions for loan losses); the impact of the governmental effort to restructure the U.S. financial and regulatory system, including the extensive reforms enacted in the Dodd-Frank Act and the continuing impact of our coming under the jurisdiction of new federal regulators; the inability of third-party providers to perform their obligations to us; and the ability of the U.S. Government to manage federal debt limits.

Because of these and other uncertainties, our actual future results may be materially different from the results indicated by any forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement made by us in this report speaks only as of the date on which it is made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required by law.

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Critical Accounting Policies

We consider accounting policies involving significant judgments and assumptions by management that have, or could have, a material impact on the carrying value of certain assets or on income to be critical accounting policies. We consider the accounting method used for the allowance for loan losses and for fair value estimations to be the critical accounting policies.

The allowance for loan losses is the estimated amount considered necessary to cover inherent, but unconfirmed credit losses in the loan portfolio at the balance sheet date. The allowance is established through the provision for losses on loans which is charged against income. In determining the allowance for loan losses, management makes significant estimates and has identified this policy as one of the most critical for Cheviot Financial.

Management performs a quarterly evaluation of the allowance for loan losses. Consideration is given to a variety of factors in establishing this estimate including, but not limited to, current economic conditions, delinquency statistics, geographic and industry concentrations, the adequacy of the underlying collateral, the financial strength of the borrower, results of internal loan review and other relevant factors. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires material estimates that may be susceptible to significant change.

The analysis has two components, specific and general allocations. Specific allocations are made for unconfirmed losses related to loans that are determined to be impaired. Impairment is measured by determining the present value of expected future cash flows or, for collateral-dependent loans, the fair value of the collateral adjusted for market conditions and selling expenses. If the fair value of the loan is less than the loan's carrying value, a charge-off is recorded for the difference. The general allocation is determined by segregating the remaining loans by type of loan, risk weighting (if applicable) and payment history. We also analyze historical loss experience, delinquency trends, general economic conditions and geographic and industry concentrations. This analysis establishes factors that are applied to the loan groups to determine the amount of the general allowance. Actual loan losses may be significantly more than the allowances we have established which could result in a material negative effect on our financial results.

The acquired assets and assumed liabilities of First Franklin were measured at estimated fair values, as required by FASB under Business Combinations. Management made significant estimates and exercised significant judgment in accounting for the acquisition. Management measured loan fair values based on loan file reviews (including borrower financial statements or tax returns), appraised collateral values, expected cash flows and historical loss factors of Franklin Savings. Real estate acquired through foreclosure was primarily valued based on appraised collateral values. The Corporation also recorded an identifiable intangible asset representing the core deposit base of Franklin Savings based on management's evaluation of the cost of such deposits relative to alternative funding sources. Management used significant estimates including the average lives of depository accounts, future interest rate levels, the cost of servicing various depository products and other significant estimates. Management used market quotations to determine the fair value of investment securities and FHLB advances.

The acquired assets of First Franklin and Franklin Savings include loans receivable. Loans receivable acquired with a deteriorated credit quality amounted to $25.0 million with a related fair value discount of $5.5 million. The method of measuring carrying value of purchased loans differs from loans originated by the Corporation, and as such, the Corporation identifies purchased loans and purchased loans with a fair value discount.

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Critical Accounting Policies (continued)

We classify our investments in debt and equity securities as either held-to-maturity or available-for-sale. Securities classified as held-to maturity are recorded at cost or amortized cost. Available-for-sale securities are carried at fair value. We obtain our estimated fair values from a third party service. This service's fair value calculations are based on quoted market prices when such prices are available. If quoted market prices are not available, estimates of fair value are computed using a variety of techniques, including extrapolation from the quoted prices of similar instruments or recent trades for thinly traded securities, fundamental analysis, or through obtaining purchase quotes. Due to the subjective nature of the valuation process, it is possible that the actual fair values of these investments could differ from the estimated amounts, thereby affecting our financial position, results of operations and cash flows. If the estimated value of investments is less than the cost or amortized cost, we evaluate whether an event or change in circumstances has occurred that may have a significant adverse effect on the fair value of the investment. If such an event or change has occurred and we determine that the impairment is other-than-temporary, we expense the impairment of the investment in the period in which the event or change occurred. We also consider how long a security has been in a loss position in determining if it is other-than-temporarily impaired. Management also assesses the nature of the unrealized losses taking into consideration factors such as changes in risk-free interest rates, general credit spread widening, market supply and demand, creditworthiness of the issuer, and quality of the underlying collateral.

Discussion of Financial Condition Changes at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014

At September 30, 2015, total assets were $576.6 million, compared with $571.2 million at December 31, 2014. Total assets increased $5.3 million, or 0.9%, primarily due to an increase in loans receivable, including loans held for sale, of $28.0 million and an increase in cash and cash equivalents of $10.5 million, which were partially offset by a decrease in investment securities of $30.4 million. The increase in loans receivable resulted from loan originations of $124.4 million, which was partially offset by loan sales of $36.2 million and principal repayments of $59.8 million.

Cash, federal funds and interest-earning deposits increased $10.5 million, or 24.8% to $53.0 million at September 30, 2015. The increase in cash and cash equivalents at September 30, 2015 was due to a $12.4 million increase in cash and due from banks and an increase of $13.1 million in interest-earning deposits, which was partially offset by a

decrease in federal funds sold of $14.9 million.

The decrease in investment securities was a result of investment securities called at par of $62.0 million, which was partially offset by purchases of $30.0 million in securities designated as available for sale. At September 30, 2015, all investment securities were classified as available for sale. During this period of prolonged low interest rates the Bank is investing in shorter-term and more liquid investments in order to be prepared for investment opportunities when interest rates begin to increase.

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Discussion of Financial Condition Changes at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 (continued)

Mortgage-backed securities decreased $1.5 million, or 15.7%, to $7.9 million at September 30, 2015, from $9.4 million at December 31, 2014. The decrease in mortgage-backed securities was due primarily to $1.5 million in principal repayments. At September 30, 2015, all mortgage-backed securities were classified as available for sale.

Loans receivable, including loans held for sale, increased $28.0 million, or 8.3%, to $365.1 million at September 30, 2015, from $337.1 million at December 31, 2014. The increase in loans receivable resulted from loan originations of $124.4 million, which was partially offset by the sale of loans in the secondary market of $36.2 million and principal repayments of $59.8 million.

The allowance for loan losses totaled $3.0 million and $2.2 million at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. In determining the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses at any point in time, management and the board of directors apply a systematic process focusing on the risk of loss in the portfolio. First, the loan portfolio is segregated by loan types to be evaluated collectively and loan types to be evaluated individually. Delinquent multi-family and commercial loans are evaluated individually for potential impairments in their carrying value. Second, the allowance for loan losses entails utilizing our historic loss experience by applying such loss percentage to the loan types to be collectively evaluated in the portfolio. The $1.1 million provision for losses on loans during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 reflected these factors. The analysis of the allowance for loan losses requires an element of judgment and is subject to the possibility that the allowance may need to be increased, with a corresponding reduction in earnings. To the best of management's knowledge, all known and inherent losses that are probable and that can be reasonably estimated have been recorded at September 30, 2015.

Originated non-performing and impaired loans totaled $2.5 million and $2.3 million at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. At September 30, 2015, originated non-performing and impaired loans were comprised of 28 loans secured by one- to four-family residential real estate totaling $2.2 million, one multi-family loan totaling $193,000 and three commercial and non-residential loans totaling $161,000. At September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 real estate acquired through foreclosure was $1.4 million and $1.8 million, respectively. The allowance for loan losses represented 95.4% and 71.0% of Cheviot Financial's originated non-performing and impaired loans at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. Although management believes that the

Corporation’s allowance for loan losses conforms to generally accepted accounting principles based upon the available facts and circumstances, there can be no assurance that additions to the allowance will not be necessary in future periods, which would adversely affect our results of operations.

Deposits totaled $459.9 million at September 30, 2015, an increase of $8.1 million, or 1.8% from $451.8 million at December 31, 2014. Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati decreased by $2.0 million, or 13.5%, to $12.8 million at September 30, 2015, from $14.9 million at December 31, 2014. The decrease is a result of new advances of $12.0 million, which were partially offset by $13.9 million in repayments during the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

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Discussion of Financial Condition Changes at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 (continued)

Shareholders' equity at September 30, 2015 was $96.9 million, an increase of $708,000, or 0.7%, from December 31, 2014. The increase resulted primarily from a decrease in the unrealized loss on securities designated as available for sale of $1.1 million, net earnings of $879,000 and common stock issued for stock options exercised of $535,000, which was partially offset by dividend payments on common stock of $2.0 million. At September 30, 2015, tangible book value per share was $12.68 as compared to $12.72 at December 31, 2014.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We monitor our liquidity position on a daily basis using reports that summarize all deposit activity and loan commitments. A significant portion of our deposit base is comprised of time deposits. At September 30, 2015, $103.7 million of time deposits are due to mature within one year. The daily deposit activity report allows us to price our time deposits competitively. Because of this and our deposit retention experience, we anticipate that a significant portion of maturing time deposits will be retained. At September 30, 2015, we had loan commitments of $18.7 million. Our loan commitments are funded or expire within 45 days from the date of the commitment.

Cheviot Financial Corp. is a separate legal entity from Cheviot Savings Bank and must provide for its own liquidity to pay dividends and for other corporate purposes. Cheviot Financial Corp.'s primary source of liquidity is dividend payments from Cheviot Savings Bank. The ability of Cheviot Savings Bank to pay dividends is subject to regulatory requirements. At September 30, 2015, Cheviot Financial Corp. (on an unconsolidated basis) had liquid assets of $5.8 million.

Borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati decreased $2.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2015. At September 30, 2015, we had the ability to increase such borrowings by approximately $142.1 million. The additional borrowings can be used to offset any decrease in customer deposits or to fund loan commitments. The Corporation's other liabilities were primarily limited to $459,000 of lease obligations.

Comparison of Operating Results for the Nine-Month Periods Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

General

Net earnings for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 totaled $879,000, a $1.4 million decrease from the $2.2 million in net earnings reported for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The decrease in net earnings reflects an increase of $743,000 in general, administrative and other expense, a decrease in other income of $688,000, an increase in the provision for losses on loans of $273,000, and a decrease of $198,000 in net interest income, which were partially offset by a decrease in the provision for federal income taxes of $538,000. The reduction in net earnings for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 was due primarily to the $765,000 payment we made to our former President and Chief Executive Officer as part of a previously announced settlement agreement executed in connection with his retirement.

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Comparison of Operating Results for the Nine-Month Periods Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 (continued)

Net Interest Income

Total interest income decreased $300,000, or 2.2%, to $13.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, from the comparable period in 2014. Interest income on loans increased $98,000, or 0.9%, to $11.2 million during the 2015 period from $11.1 million for the 2014 period. This increase was due primarily to a $16.5 million increase in the average balance of loans outstanding, which was partially offset by a 17 basis point decrease in the average yield to 4.29% from 4.46% in the 2014 period.

Interest income on mortgage-backed securities decreased $84,000, or 42.2%, to $115,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, from $199,000 for the 2014 period, due primarily to a decrease of $5.7 million in the average balance of securities outstanding and by an eight basis point decrease in yield period over period. Interest income on investment securities decreased $332,000, or 14.3%, to $2.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared to $2.3 million for the same period in 2014, due primarily to a decrease of $21.3 million, or 14.4%, in the average balance of investment securities outstanding. The average yield on investment securities was 2.10% for both the nine month periods ended September 30, 2015 and 2014. Interest income on other interest-earning deposits increased $18,000, or 6.7%, to $285,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, as compared to the same period in 2014.

Interest expense decreased $102,000, or 3.8%, to $2.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, from $2.7 million for the same period in 2014. Interest expense on deposits decreased by $16,000, or 0.7%, to $2.3 million, due primarily to an $8.5 million decrease in the average balance outstanding. The average cost of deposits was 0.66% for both of the nine month periods ended September 30, 2015 and 2014. Interest expense on borrowings decreased by $86,000, or 20.8%, due primarily to a 91 basis point decrease in the average cost of borrowings, which was partially offset by a $1.8 million, or 10.7%, increase in the average balance outstanding.

As a result of the foregoing changes in interest income and interest expense, net interest income decreased by $198,000, or 1.8%, to $11.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. The average interest rate spread decreased two basis points to 2.87% for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 from 2.89% for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The net interest margin decreased to 2.91% for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 from 2.93% for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

Provision for Losses on Loans

As a result of an analysis of historical experience, the volume and type of lending conducted by the Savings Bank, the status of past due principal and interest payments, general economic conditions (particularly as such conditions relate to the Savings Bank's market area) and other factors related to the collectability of the Savings Bank's loan portfolio, management recorded a $1.1 million provision for losses on loans for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and $810,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. Non-performing originated loans were 0.9% of net originated loans at both September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. The 2015 provision for loan losses reflects the amount necessary to maintain an adequate allowance based on the Corporation's historical loss experience and other external factors. These other external factors, economic conditions, and collateral value changes, have had a negative impact on non-owner-occupied loans in the portfolio. There can be no assurance that the loan loss allowance will be sufficient to cover losses on non-performing loans in the future; however, management believes they have identified all known and inherent losses that are probable and that can be reasonably estimated within the loan portfolio, and that the allowance is adequate to absorb such losses.

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Comparison of Operating Results for the Nine-Month Periods Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 (continued)

Other Income

Other income decreased $688,000, or 23.7%, to $2.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, compared to the same period in 2014, due primarily to the absence of the gain on sale of investment securities designated as available for sale during the 2015 period compared to gains of $795,000 during the 2014 period, a decrease in the gain on the sale of real estate acquired through foreclosure of $131,000, and a decrease of $62,000 in service fee income, which was partially offset by an increase in the gain on sale of loans of $312,000.

General, Administrative and Other Expense

General, administrative and other expense increased $743,000, or 7.4%, to $10.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, from $10.1 million for the comparable period in 2014. The increase is a result of an increase of $1.1 million in employee compensation and benefits and an increase of $132,000 in property, payroll and other taxes, which were partially offset by a decrease of $419,000 in real estate owned impairment expense and decrease of $112,000 in occupancy and equipment expense.

As previously announced, on February 3, 2015 we entered into a severance agreement (the "Agreement") with our former President and Chief Executive Officer in connection with his retirement, in exchange for which we paid the former President and Chief Executive officer a total of approximately $765,000 upon his retirement. The execution of the Agreement and resulting payments caused the majority of the increase in employee compensation and benefits and related property, payroll and other taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

Federal Income Taxes

The provision for federal income taxes decreased $538,000, or 56.1%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. Cheviot Financial has approximately $610,000 in remaining operating loss carryforwards to offset future taxable income for 18 years. These losses are subject to the Internal Revenue Code Section 382 net operating loss limitations of $1.1 million allowed on an annual basis. The effective tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 was 32.4% and 30.0%, respectively.

Comparison of Operating Results for the Three-Month Periods Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

General

Net earnings for the three months ended September 30, 2015 totaled $330,000, a $572,000 decrease from the $902,000 earnings reported in the September 2014 period. The decrease in net earnings reflects an increase of $405,000 in the provision for losses on loans, an increase of $225,000 in general, administrative and other expense, a decrease in other income of $173,000 and a decrease in net interest income of $44,000, which were partially offset by a decrease of $275,000 in the provision for federal income taxes.

Total interest income decreased $73,000, or 1.6%, to $4.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, from the comparable quarter in 2014. Interest income on loans increased $128,000, or 3.5%, to $3.7 million during the 2015 quarter from $3.6 million for the 2014 quarter. This increase was due primarily to a $26.5 million, or 8.1%, increase in the average balance of loans outstanding, which was partially offset by an 18 basis point decrease in the average yield on loans to 4.22% for the 2015 quarter from 4.40% for the three months ended September 30, 2014.

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Net Interest Income

Interest income on mortgage-backed securities decreased $52,000, or 59.8%, to $35,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2015, from $87,000 for the comparable 2014 quarter, due primarily to a $10.8 million, or 56.7% decrease in the average balance of securities outstanding and by a 13 basis point decrease in the average yield. Interest income on investment securities decreased $160,000, or 20.6%, to $618,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared to $778,000 for the same quarter in 2014, due primarily to a decrease of $31.5 million in the average balance of investment securities outstanding, which was partially offset by a four basis point increase in the average yield to 2.20% in the 2015 quarter. Interest income on other interest-earning deposits increased $11,000, or 12.4% to $100,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2015.

Interest expense decreased $29,000, or 3.3% to $839,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2015, from $868,000 for the same quarter in 2014. Interest expense on deposits decreased by $9,000, or 1.2%, to $732,000, from $741,000, due primarily to a decrease of $2.4 million, or 0.5% in the average balance of deposits outstanding. The average cost on deposits was 0.64% during both three month periods ended September 30, 2015 and 2014. Interest expense on borrowings decreased by $20,000, or 15.7%, due primarily to a 143 basis point decrease in the average cost of borrowings, which was partially offset by an $8.4 million increase in the average balance outstanding.

As a result of the foregoing changes in interest income and interest expense, net interest income decreased by $44,000, or 1.2%, to $3.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, as compared to the same quarter in 2014. The average interest rate spread increased to 2.90% for the three months ended September 30, 2015 from 2.88% for the three months ended September 30, 2014. The net interest margin was 2.92% for both of the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Provision for Losses on Loans

As a result of an analysis of historical experience, the volume and type of lending conducted by the Savings Bank, the status of past due principal and interest payments, general economic conditions (particularly as such conditions relate to the Savings Bank's market area) and other factors related to the collectability of the Savings Bank's loan portfolio, management recorded a $660,000 provision for losses on loans for the three months ended September 30, 2015 and $255,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2014. Non-performing originated loans were 0.9% of net originated loans at both September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. The 2015 provision for loan losses reflects the amount necessary to maintain an adequate allowance based on our historical loss experience and other external factors. These other external factors, economic conditions, and collateral value changes, have had a negative impact on non-owner-occupied loans in the portfolio. There can be no assurance that the loan loss allowance will be sufficient to cover losses on non-performing loans in the future; however, management believes they have identified all known and inherent losses that are probable and that can be reasonably estimated within the loan portfolio, and that the allowance is adequate to absorb such losses.

Other Income

Other income decreased $173,000, or 18.7%, to $750,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2015, compared to the same quarter in 2014, due primarily to the absence of the gain on sale of investment securities designated as available for sale during the 2015 quarter compared to gains of $74,000 during the 2014 quarter, a decrease in the gain on sale of real estate acquired through foreclosure of $98,000, which was partially offset by an increase in the gain on sale of loans of $13,000.

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General, Administrative and Other Expense

General, administrative and other expense increased $225,000, or 7.3%, to $3.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015. This increase is a result of an increase of $105,000 in employee compensation and benefits expense, an increase of $57,000 in property, payroll and other taxes and an increase of $61,000 in data processing expense.

Federal Income Taxes

The provision for federal income taxes decreased $275,000, or 67.2%, for the three months ended September 30, 2015. Cheviot Financial has approximately $610,000 in remaining operating loss carryforwards to offset future taxable income for 18 years. These losses are subject to the Internal Revenue Code Section 382 net operating loss limitations of $1.1 million allowed on an annual basis. The effective tax rate for the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 was 28.9% and 31.2%, respectively.

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ITEM 3 QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

There has been no material change in the Corporation's market risk since the Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the year ended December 31, 2014.

ITEM 4 CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

The Corporation's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer evaluated the disclosure controls and procedures (as defined under Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report, the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

There were no changes in the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended September 30, 2015, or in other factors that has materially affected, or could reasonably be likely to materially affect, these controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation by the Corporation's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer.

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PART II

ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings

None.

ITEM 1A. Risk Factors

The Corporation was a smaller reporting company and, therefore, was not required to provide Risk Factor disclosures in its most recent annual report of Form 10-K.

ITEM 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

On October 15, 2013, the Corporation amended the authorization of a stock repurchase plan. Under this program the Corporation is authorized to repurchase 341,845 shares constituting 5% of the outstanding shares of common stock. As of September 30, 2015, the Corporation had repurchased 127,000 shares at an average price of $11.37.

During the three months ended September 30, 2015, there were no stock repurchases in accordance with the stock repurchase plan.

ITEM 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

Not applicable.

ITEM 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable

ITEM 5. Other Information

None.

ITEM 6. Exhibits

31.1	Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2	Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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101	The following financial statements of the Corporation at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 3014, and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 formatted in XBRL: Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition; Consolidated Statements of Earnings; Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income; Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows; and Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

SIGNATURES

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

Cheviot Financial Corp.

Date: November 9, 2015 By: /s/ Mark T. Reitzes
Mark T. Reitzes
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 9, 2015 By: /s/ Scott T. Smith
Scott T. Smith
Chief Financial Officer