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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 10-Q**

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

**For the Quarterly Period ended December 31, 2013**

Or

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

**For transition period from                      to**

**Commission File Number 001-35033**

## Oconee Federal Financial Corp.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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**Federal**  
(State of Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**32-0330122**  
(I.R.S Employer  
Identification Number)

**201 East North Second Street, Seneca, South Carolina**  
(Address of Principal Executive Officers)

**29678**  
(Zip Code)

**(864) 882-2765**

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

**Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No .

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate 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, or a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

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

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

There were 5,845,945 shares of Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, outstanding as of February 1, 2014.

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## OCONEE FEDERAL FINANCIAL CORP.

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Amounts in thousands, except share and per share data)

**PART I**

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	<b>December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)</b>	<b>June 30, 2013 (*)</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 1,910	\$ 1,362
Interest-bearing deposits	22,280	36,580
Total cash and cash equivalents	24,190	37,942
Securities held-to-maturity (fair value: December 31, 2013 \$0 and June 30, 2013 - \$8,223)		8,039
Securities available-for-sale	97,113	87,985
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$788 and \$751	224,287	221,163
Premises and equipment, net	2,980	3,047
Real estate owned, net	857	1,047
Accrued interest receivable		
Loans	800	863
Investments	238	269
Restricted equity securities	449	449
Bank owned life insurance	8,601	8,450
Other assets	1,087	841
Total assets	\$ 360,602	\$ 370,095
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Deposits		
Non-interest bearing	\$ 4,928	\$ 4,861
Interest bearing	279,266	287,561
Total deposits	284,194	292,422
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities	995	1,511
Total liabilities	285,189	293,933
<b>SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized; 5,845,995 and 5,923,295 shares outstanding at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013	64	64
Treasury stock, at par 589,099 and 511,799 shares at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013	(6)	(5)
Additional paid in capital	12,201	13,413
Retained earnings	66,165	65,315
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(1,096)	(559)
Unearned ESOP shares	(1,915)	(2,066)
Total shareholders equity	75,413	76,162
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$ 360,602	\$ 370,095

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\* Derived from audited consolidated financial statements

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Amounts in thousands, except share and per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
<b>Interest and dividend income:</b>				
Loans, including fees	\$ 2,870	\$ 3,234	\$ 5,722	\$ 6,604
Securities, taxable	381	273	751	540
Federal funds sold and other	15	20	29	38
<b>Total interest income</b>	<b>3,266</b>	<b>3,527</b>	<b>6,502</b>	<b>7,182</b>
<b>Interest expense:</b>				
Deposits	383	568	811	1,193
<b>Total interest expense</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>1,193</b>
<b>Net interest income</b>	<b>2,883</b>	<b>2,959</b>	<b>5,691</b>	<b>5,989</b>
<b>Provision for loan losses</b>	<b>(40)</b>	<b>(64)</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>76</b>
<b>Net interest income after provision for loan losses</b>	<b>2,923</b>	<b>3,023</b>	<b>5,650</b>	<b>5,913</b>
<b>Noninterest income:</b>				
Service charges on deposit accounts	19	22	37	42
Gain on sales of securities	145	14	145	14
Gain (loss) on sales of real estate owned		9	(14)	66
Other	76	7	152	14
<b>Total noninterest income</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>136</b>
<b>Noninterest expense:</b>				
Salaries and employee benefits	995	824	1,855	1,614
Occupancy and equipment	165	154	320	330
Data processing	66	69	129	128
Professional and supervisory fees	144	97	255	176
Office expense	27	24	51	47
Advertising	17	16	38	36
FDIC deposit insurance	39	40	79	67
Charitable contributions		1		1
Provision for real estate owned and related expenses	20	16	53	54
Other	108	71	177	148
<b>Total noninterest expense</b>	<b>1,581</b>	<b>1,312</b>	<b>2,957</b>	<b>2,601</b>
<b>Income before income taxes</b>	<b>1,582</b>	<b>1,763</b>	<b>3,013</b>	<b>3,448</b>
<b>Income tax expense</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>1,081</b>	<b>1,326</b>
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 1,014</b>	<b>\$ 1,107</b>	<b>\$ 1,932</b>	<b>\$ 2,122</b>

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Other comprehensive income (loss)								
Unrealized (loss) gain on securities								
available-for-sale	\$	(840)	\$	277	\$	(849)	\$	340
Tax effect		320		(105)		323		(129)
Reclassification adjustment for gains realized in net income								
		(63)		(14)		(63)		(14)
Tax effect		24		4		24		4
Total other comprehensive income (loss)		(559)		162		(565)		201
Comprehensive income								
	\$	455	\$	1,269	\$	1,367	\$	2,323
Basic net income per share: (Note 2)								
	\$	0.18	\$	0.18	\$	0.34	\$	0.34
Diluted net income per share: (Note 2)								
	\$	0.18	\$	0.18	\$	0.34	\$	0.34
Dividends declared per share:								
	\$	0.10	\$	0.10	\$	0.20	\$	0.20

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements



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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

(Amounts in thousands, except share and per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Common Stock	Treasury Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Unearned ESOP Shares	Total
Balance at July 1, 2012	\$ 64	\$	\$ 20,880	\$ 63,693	\$ 599	\$ (2,252)	\$ 82,984
Net income				2,122			2,122
Other comprehensive income					201		201
Purchase of 163,200 shares of treasury stock		(2)	(2,534)				(2,536)
Stock-based compensation expense			115				115
Dividends				(1,191)			(1,191)
ESOP shares earned			39			96	135
Balance at December 31, 2012	\$ 64	\$ (2)	\$ 18,500	\$ 64,624	\$ 800	\$ (2,156)	\$ 81,830
Balance at July 1, 2013	\$ 64	\$ (5)	\$ 13,413	\$ 65,315	\$ (559)	\$ (2,066)	\$ 76,162
Net income				1,932			1,932
Other comprehensive loss					(565)		(537)
Transfers of securities from classified as held-to-maturity to available-for-sale					28		
Purchase of 89,900 shares of treasury stock (1)		(1)	(1,423)				(1,424)
Issuance of 12,600 shares of restricted stock (2)							
Stock-based compensation expense			119				119
Dividends (3) (4)				(1,068)			(1,068)
ESOP shares earned (4)			92	(14)		151	229
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$ 64	\$ (6)	\$ 12,201	\$ 66,165	\$ (1,096)	\$ (1,915)	\$ 75,413

(1) The weighted average cost of treasury shares purchased during the three months ended was \$15.85 per share. Treasury stock repurchases were accounted for using the par value method.

(2) On November 13, 2013, the Company granted 12,600 shares of restricted stock. The grant date fair value of these shares was \$17.16.

(3) Cash dividends declared on July 25, 2013 were paid on August 29, 2013. Cash dividends declared on October 24, 2013 were paid on November 21, 2013.

(4) Approximately \$99 of cash dividends paid on shares in the ESOP was used as additional principal reduction on the ESOP debt, resulting in the release of approximately 8,000 additional shares. The portion of the dividend paid on allocated shares of approximately \$14 was treated as a dividend. The remaining portion of the dividend payment and resulting release of approximately 7,000 shares was accounted for as additional compensation expense of approximately \$63 for the six months ended December 31, 2013.

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

(Amounts in thousands, except share and per share data)

	Six Months Ended	
	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</b>		
Net income	\$ 1,932	\$ 2,122
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Provision for loan losses	41	76
Depreciation and amortization, net	479	569
Deferred loan fees, net	23	134
(Gain) loss on sale of real estate owned	14	(66)
Gain on sales of securities	(145)	(14)
Increase in cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance	(151)	
ESOP compensation expense	229	135
Stock based compensation expense	119	115
Net change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accrued interest receivable	94	65
Accrued interest payable	(2)	(9)
Other	(430)	246
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,203	3,373
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</b>		
Purchases of premises and equipment	(33)	(69)
Purchases of securities held-to-maturity	(3,486)	(1,245)
Purchases of securities available-for-sale	(18,300)	(19,673)
Proceeds from maturities, paydowns and calls of securities available-for-sale	6,538	6,037
Proceeds from maturities, paydowns and calls of securities held-to-maturity		1,602
Proceeds from sales of securities available-for-sale	10,788	1,243
Proceeds from sales of securities held-to-maturity	2,270	
Proceeds from sale of real estate owned	176	1,029
Loan originations and repayments, net	(3,188)	15,854
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(5,235)	4,778
<b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities</b>		
Net change in deposits	(8,228)	(1,950)
Dividends paid	(1,068)	(1,191)
Purchase of treasury stock	(1,424)	(2,536)
Net cash used in financing activities	(10,720)	(5,677)
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(13,752)	2,474
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	37,942	47,612
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 24,190	\$ 50,086

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## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**(1) BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements of Oconee Federal Financial Corp., which include the accounts of its wholly owned subsidiary Oconee Federal Savings and Loan Association (the Association) (referred to herein as the Company, we, us, or our) have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. Intercompany accounts and transactions are eliminated during consolidation. The Company is majority owned (70.60%) by Oconee Federal, MHC. These financial statements do not include the transactions and balances of Oconee Federal, MHC.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring accruals) necessary to present fairly the Company's financial position as of December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013 and the results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods ended December 31, 2013 and 2012. All interim amounts have not been audited, and the results of operations for the interim periods herein are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be expected for the year. These consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Form 10-K Annual Report of Oconee Federal Financial Corp. for the year ended June 30, 2013.

**(2) EARNINGS PER SHARE (EPS)**

Basic EPS is determined by dividing net earnings available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. ESOP shares are considered outstanding for this calculation unless unearned. The factors used in the earnings per common share computation follow:

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Earnings per share				
Net income	\$ 1,014	\$ 1,107	\$ 1,932	\$ 2,122
Less: distributed earnings allocated to participating securities	(8)	(6)	(16)	(14)
Less: (undistributed income) dividends in excess of earnings allocated to participating securities	(7)	(7)	(13)	(14)
Net earnings available to common shareholders	\$ 999	\$ 1,094	\$ 1,903	\$ 2,094

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Weighted average common shares outstanding including participating securities	5,839,969	6,388,536	5,845,245	6,406,091
Less: participating securities	(83,695)	(87,092)	(83,695)	(87,092)
Less: average unearned ESOP shares	(196,488)	(218,237)	(198,754)	(220,306)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	5,559,786	6,083,207	5,562,796	6,098,693
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.34
Weighted average common shares outstanding	5,559,786	6,083,207	5,562,796	6,098,693
Add: dilutive effects of assumed exercises of stock options	53,456	29,823	50,668	21,966
Average shares and dilutive potential common shares	5,613,242	6,113,030	5,613,464	6,120,659
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.34

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2013, 7,700 shares were considered anti-dilutive. During the three and six months ended December 31, 2012, no shares were considered anti-dilutive.

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**(3) SECURITIES AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE AND HELD-TO-MATURITY**

Debt, mortgage-backed and equity securities have been classified in the consolidated balance sheets according to management's intent. Investment securities at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013 are as follows:

	Amortized Cost		Gross Unrealized Gains		Gross Unrealized Losses		Fair Value
<b>December 31, 2013</b>							
Available-for-sale:							
FHLMC common stock	\$ 20	\$	216	\$	\$		236
Preferred stock (1)	271		28				299
Certificates of deposit	6,723		15		(26)		6,712
FNMA CMO/REMIC	3,209				(166)		3,043
FHLMC CMO/REMIC	1,839				(84)		1,755
GNMA CMO/REMIC	6,347				(372)		5,975
FNMA mortgage-backed securities	20,979		49		(291)		20,737
FHLMC mortgage-backed securities	18,555		28		(421)		18,162
GNMA mortgage-backed securities	4,569		72		(133)		4,508
U.S. Government agencies	36,370		224		(908)		35,686
Total available-for-sale	\$ 98,882	\$	632	\$	(2,401)	\$	97,113
<b>June 30, 2013</b>							
Held-to-maturity:							
Certificates of deposit	\$ 3,985	\$	18	\$	(13)	\$	3,990
GNMA mortgage-backed securities	4,054		179				4,233
Total held-to-maturity	\$ 8,039	\$	197	\$	(13)	\$	8,223
Available-for-sale:							
FHLMC common stock	\$ 20	\$	90	\$	\$		110
Preferred stock (1)	271		26				297
FNMA CMO/REMIC	3,389				(108)		3,281
FHLMC CMO/REMIC	1,941				(74)		1,867
GNMA CMO/REMIC	6,879		5		(173)		6,711
FNMA mortgage-backed securities	17,562		112		(160)		17,514
FHLMC mortgage-backed securities	17,819		67		(246)		17,640
GNMA mortgage-backed securities	2,619				(105)		2,514
U.S. Government agencies	38,387		294		(630)		38,051
Total available-for-sale	\$ 88,887	\$	594	\$	(1,496)	\$	87,985

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(1) Consists of 300 shares of Southern First Bancshares, Inc. cumulative perpetual preferred stock, series T.



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The following table shows securities with unrealized losses at December 31, 2013, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position:

	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss
<b>December 31, 2013</b>						
Available for Sale:						
Certificates of deposit	\$ 6,712	\$ (26)	\$	\$	\$ 6,712	\$ (26)
FNMA CMO/REMIC	3,043	(166)			3,043	(166)
FHLMC CMO/REMIC			1,755	(84)	1,755	(84)
GNMA CMO/REMIC	3,199	(152)	2,776	(220)	5,975	(372)
FNMA mortgage-backed securities	20,737	(291)			20,737	(291)
FHLMC mortgage-backed securities	18,162	(421)			18,162	(421)
GNMA mortgage-backed securities	4,508	(133)			4,508	(133)
U.S. Government agencies	33,862	(732)	1,824	(176)	35,686	(908)
	\$ 90,224	\$ (1,921)	\$ 6,355	\$ (480)	\$ 96,579	\$ (2,401)

At December 31, 2013, there were fourteen U.S. Government agency securities, five GNMA CMO/REMIC securities, two FNMA CMO/REMIC securities, two FHLMC CMO/REMIC securities, eleven FHLMC mortgage-backed securities, thirteen FNMA mortgage-backed securities, two GNMA mortgage-backed securities, and seventeen certificates of deposit securities with unrealized losses at December 31, 2013. None of the unrealized losses for these securities have been recognized into net income for the six months ended December 31, 2013 because the issuer's bonds are of high credit quality, management does not intend to sell and it is likely that management will not be required to sell the securities prior to their anticipated recovery, and the decline in fair value is largely due to changes in interest rates. The fair value of these securities is expected to recover as they approach their maturity date or reset date. None of the unrealized losses at June 30, 2013 was recognized as OTTI during the six months ended December 31, 2013.

There were no securities at June 30, 2013 with unrealized losses that had been in an unrealized loss position for 12 continuous months or more.

The Company evaluates securities for OTTI at least on a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic or market concerns warrant such evaluation. The Company considers the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost and the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer. Additionally, the Company considers its intent to sell or whether it will be more likely than not it will be required to sell the security prior to the security's anticipated recovery in fair value. In analyzing an issuer's financial condition, the Company may consider whether the securities are issued by the federal Government agencies, whether downgrades by bond rating agencies have occurred,

and the results of reviews of the issuer's financial condition.

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The amortized cost and fair value of debt securities classified available-for-sale and held-to-maturity at December 31, 2013 by contractual maturity are summarized as follows:

	December 31, 2013		June 30, 2013	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
Less than one year	\$ 3,757	\$ 3,789	\$ 996	\$ 997
Due from one to five years	23,140	23,225	26,178	26,437
Due from five to ten years	12,195	11,685	11,198	10,800
Due after ten years	4,001	3,698	4,000	3,807
Mortgage backed securities	55,498	54,181	54,263	53,760
Total	\$ 98,591	\$ 96,578	\$ 96,635	\$ 95,801

The following table presents the gross proceeds from sales of securities available-for-sale and held-to-maturity and gains or losses recognized for the three and six months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2013
<b>Available for Sale:</b>				
Proceeds	\$ 10,788	\$ 1,243	\$ 10,788	\$ 1,243
Gross gains	93	14	93	14
Gross losses	(30)		(30)	
<b>Held-to-maturity:</b>				
Proceeds	\$ 2,270	\$	\$ 2,270	\$
Gross gains	82		82	
Gross losses				
<b>Total:</b>				
Proceeds	\$ 13,058	\$ 1,243	\$ 13,058	\$ 1,243
Gross gains	\$ 175	\$ 14	\$ 175	\$ 14
Gross losses	\$ (30)	\$	\$ (30)	\$

During the three months ended, the Company sold two securities classified as held-to-maturity. One of those securities was a GNMA mortgage-backed security for which at least 85 percent of its original principal amount had been repaid. The second security was also a GNMA mortgage-backed security. Because the Company determined that it no longer had the positive intent to hold its investment in securities classified as held-to-maturity for an indefinite period of time because of the Company's desire to have more flexibility in managing the investment portfolio, all of the Company's securities classified as held-to-maturity were transferred to the available-for-sale category. The securities transferred had a total amortized cost of \$7.8 million and unrealized gross gains of \$56 and unrealized gross losses of \$11 at the time

of transfer. The net unrealized gain of \$45 was added to other comprehensive income at the time of transfer.

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**(4) LOANS**

The components of loans at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013 were as follows:

	December 31, 2013	June 30, 2013
Real estate loans:		
One- to four-family	\$ 206,860	\$ 204,397
Multi-family	255	258
Home equity	251	292
Nonresidential	8,602	8,521
Construction and land	9,508	8,735
Total real estate loans	225,476	222,203
Consumer and other loans	836	925
Total loans	226,312	223,128
Net deferred loan fees	(1,237)	(1,214)
Allowance for loan losses	(788)	(751)
Loans, net	\$ 224,287	\$ 221,163

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The following tables present the activity in the allowance for loan losses for the three and six months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 and the balances in the allowance for loan losses and the recorded investment in loans by portfolio segment based on impairment method at December 31, 2013 and 2012:

**Three Months Ended December 31, 2013**

	One-to- four family	Multi- family	Real estate Home Equity	Nonresidential	Construction and land	Consumer	Total
Beginning balance	\$ 747	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 50	\$ 28	\$ 2	\$ 832
Provision	(42)			1	2	(1)	(40)
Charge-offs	(4)						(4)
Recoveries							
Ending balance	\$ 701	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 51	\$ 30	\$ 1	\$ 788

**Allowance for loan losses:**

Ending allowance attributed to loans:

Individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 58	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 58
Collectively evaluated for impairment	643	4	1	51	30	1	730
Total ending allowance balance	\$ 701	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 51	\$ 30	\$ 1	\$ 788

**Loans:**

Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 2,578	\$	\$	\$ 21	\$	\$	\$ 2,599
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment	204,282	255	251	8,581	9,508	836	223,713
Total ending loans balance	\$ 206,860	\$ 255	\$ 251	\$ 8,602	\$ 9,508	\$ 836	\$ 226,312

**Six Months Ended December 31, 2013**

	One-to- four family	Multi- family	Real estate Home Equity	Nonresidential	Construction and land	Consumer	Total
Beginning balance	\$ 665	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 52	\$ 27	\$ 2	\$ 751

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Provision	40	(1)	3	(1)	41		
Charge-offs	(4)				(4)		
Recoveries							
Ending balance	\$ 701	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 51	\$ 30	\$ 1	\$ 788

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	One-to- four family	Multi- family	Real estate Home Equity	Nonresidential	Construction and land	Consumer	Total
Beginning balance	\$ 844	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 56	\$ 22	\$ 3	\$ 930
Provision	(66)			(2)	4		(64)
Charge-offs							
Recoveries							
Ending balance	\$ 778	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 54	\$ 26	\$ 3	\$ 866

**Allowance for loan losses:**

Ending allowance attributed to loans:

Individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 159	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 159
Collectively evaluated for impairment	619	4	1	54	26	3	707
Total ending allowance balance	\$ 778	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 54	\$ 26	\$ 3	\$ 866

**Loans:**

Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 2,980	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 2,980
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment	213,381	261	315	8,923	8,723	835	232,438
Total ending loans balance	\$ 216,361	\$ 261	\$ 315	\$ 8,923	\$ 8,723	\$ 835	\$ 235,418

**Six Months Ended December 31, 2012**

	One-to- four family	Multi- family	Real estate Home Equity	Nonresidential	Construction and land	Consumer	Total
Beginning balance	\$ 773	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 56	\$ 21	\$ 2	\$ 857
Provision	72			(2)	5	1	76
Charge-offs	(67)						(67)
Recoveries							
Ending balance	\$ 778	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 54	\$ 26	\$ 3	\$ 866





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The following table presents the balances in the allowance for loan losses and the recorded investment in loans by portfolio segment based on impairment method at June 30, 2013:

**June 30, 2013**

	One-to- four family	Multi- family	Real estate Home Equity	Nonresidential	Construction and land	Consumer	Total
<b>Allowance for loan losses:</b>							
Ending allowance attributed to loans:							
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 27	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 27
Collectively evaluated for impairment	638	4	1	52	27	2	724
Total ending allowance balance	\$ 665	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 52	\$ 27	\$ 2	\$ 751
<b>Loans:</b>							
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 1,986	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 1,986
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment	202,411	258	292	8,521	8,735	925	221,142
Total ending loans balance	\$ 204,397	\$ 258	\$ 292	\$ 8,521	\$ 8,735	\$ 925	\$ 223,128

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The following table presents loans individually evaluated for impairment by portfolio segment at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013, including the average recorded investment balance and interest earned for the six months ended December 31, 2013 and year ended June 30, 2013:

	December 31, 2013					June 30, 2013				
	Unpaid Principal Balance	Recorded Investment	Related Allowance	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized	Unpaid Principal Balance	Recorded Investment	Related Allowance	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized
<b>With no recorded allowance:</b>										
Real estate loans:										
One- to four-family	\$ 965	\$ 965	\$	\$ 1,349	\$ 13	\$ 1,734	\$ 1,734	\$	\$ 1,202	\$ 27
Multi-family										
Home equity										
Nonresidential	21	21		11						
Construction and land										
Total real estate loans	986	986		1,360	13	1,734	1,734		1,202	27
Consumer and other loans										
Total	\$ 986	\$ 986	\$	\$ 1,360	\$ 13	\$ 1,734	\$ 1,734	\$	\$ 1,202	\$ 27
<b>With recorded allowance:</b>										
Real estate loans:										
One- to four-family	\$ 1,613	\$ 1,613	\$ 58	\$ 932	\$ 12	\$ 252	\$ 252	\$ 27	\$ 1,033	\$ 6
Multi-family										
Home equity										
Nonresidential										
Construction and land										
Total real estate loans	1,613	1,613	58	932	12	252	252	27	1,033	6
Consumer and other loans										
Total	\$ 1,613	\$ 1,613	\$ 58	\$ 932	\$ 12	\$ 252	\$ 252	\$ 27	\$ 1,033	\$ 6
<b>Totals:</b>										
Real estate loans	\$ 2,599	\$ 2,599	\$ 58	\$ 2,292	\$ 25	\$ 1,986	\$ 1,986	\$ 27	\$ 2,235	\$ 33
Consumer and other loans										
Total	\$ 2,599	\$ 2,599	\$ 58	\$ 2,292	\$ 25	\$ 1,986	\$ 1,986	\$ 27	\$ 2,235	\$ 33

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The following table presents the aging of the recorded investment in past due loans at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013 by portfolio segment of loans:

**December 31, 2013**

	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Loans	Accruing Loans Past Due 90 Days or More
Real estate loans:							
One- to four-family	\$ 4,432	\$ 1,225	\$ 2,346	\$ 8,003	\$ 198,857	\$ 206,860	\$
Multi-family					255	255	
Home equity		15		15	236	251	
Nonresidential	21			21	8,581	8,602	
Construction and land					9,508	9,508	
Total real estate loans	4,453	1,240	2,346	8,039	217,437	225,476	
Consumer and other loans					836	836	
Total	\$ 4,453	\$ 1,240	\$ 2,346	\$ 8,039	\$ 218,273	\$ 226,312	\$

**June 30, 2013**

	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Loans	Accruing Loans Past Due 90 Days or More
Real estate loans:							
One- to four-family	\$ 5,932	\$ 2,397	\$ 1,726	\$ 10,055	\$ 194,342	\$ 204,397	\$ 493
Multi-family					258	258	
Home equity	30			30	262	292	
Nonresidential					8,521	8,521	
Construction and land					8,735	8,735	
Total real estate loans	5,962	2,397	1,726	10,085	212,118	222,203	493
Consumer and other loans	1			1	924	925	
Total	\$ 5,963	\$ 2,397	\$ 1,726	\$ 10,086	\$ 213,042	\$ 223,128	\$ 493

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At December 31, 2013, nonaccrual loans were \$2,394, of which \$2,346 were past due 90 days or more and \$48 of nonaccrual loans that were classified in the 60-89 days past due category. Nonaccrual loans at June 30, 2013 were \$1,493. All of these loans were past due 90 days or more except one loan of \$73 classified in the 30-59 days past due category and one loan in the 60-89 days past due category with a carrying amount of \$187. There were no troubled debt restructures at December 31, 2013 or June 30, 2013.

All loans graded pass, special mention, substandard and doubtful not specifically evaluated for impairment are collectively evaluated for impairment by portfolio segment. To develop and document a systematic methodology for determining the portion of the allowance for loan losses for loans evaluated collectively, the Company has divided the loan portfolio into six portfolio segments, each with different risk characteristics and methodologies for assessing risk and utilizes a loan grading system whereby all loans within each portfolio segment are assigned a grade based on the risk profile of each loan. Loan grades are determined based on an evaluation of relevant information about the ability of borrowers to service their debt such as current financial information, historical payment experience, credit documentation, public information, and current economic trends, among other factors. All loans, regardless of size, are analyzed and assigned a grade based upon management's assessment of the ability of borrowers to service their debts. The following describes each of the Company's loan grades and general information as to the risk profile of each of the Company's loan portfolio segments:

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**Loan Grades:**

Pass: Loans not meeting any of the criteria listed below for special mention, substandard, or doubtful are graded Pass.

Special Mention: Loans classified as special mention have a potential weakness that deserves management's close attention. If left uncorrected, these potential weaknesses may result in deterioration of repayment prospects for the loan or of the institution's credit position at some future date.

Substandard: Loans classified as substandard are inadequately protected by the current net worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any. Loans so classified have a well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the institution will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.

Doubtful: Loans classified as doubtful have all the weaknesses inherent in those classified as substandard, with the added characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions, and values, highly questionable and improbable.

**Portfolio Segments:**

One-to-four family: One-to-four family residential loans consist primarily of loans secured by first or second deeds of trust on primary residences, and are originated as adjustable-rate or fixed-rate loans for the construction, purchase or refinancing of a one-to-four family residence. These loans are collateralized by owner-occupied properties located in the Company's market area. We currently originate residential mortgage loans for our portfolio with loan-to-value ratios of up to 80% for traditional owner-occupied homes.

Multi-family: Multi-family real estate loans generally have a maximum term of 5 years with a 30 year amortization period and a final balloon payment and are secured by properties containing five or more units in the Company's market area. These loans are generally made in amounts of up to 75% of the lesser of the appraised value or the purchase price of the property with an appropriate projected debt service coverage ratio. The Company's underwriting analysis includes considering the borrower's expertise and requires verification of the borrower's credit history, income and financial statements, banking relationships, independent appraisals, references and income projections for the property. The

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Company generally obtains personal guarantees on these loans.

Multi-family real estate loans generally present a higher level of risk than loans secured by one-to-four family residences. This greater risk is due to several factors, including the concentration of principal in a limited number of loans and borrowers, the effects of general economic conditions on income-producing properties and the increased difficulty of evaluating and monitoring these types of loans. Furthermore, the repayment of loans secured by multi-family residential real estate is typically dependent upon the successful operation of the related real estate project.

Home Equity: We originate fixed-rate home equity loans secured by a lien on the borrower's primary residence but only where we hold the first mortgage on the property. Our home equity loans are limited to an 80% loan-to-value ratio (including all prior liens), and have terms of up to 10 years with 10-year amortization periods. We use the same underwriting standards for home equity loans as we use for one- to four-family residential mortgage loans.

Nonresidential Real Estate: Our non-residential real estate loans are secured primarily by churches and, to a much lesser extent, office buildings, and retail and mixed-use properties located in our primary market area. The non-residential real estate loans that we originate generally have maximum terms of 5 years with amortization periods of 30 years. For loans secured by church property, our loans generally have maximum terms of 20 years with amortization periods of up to 20 years. The maximum loan-to-value ratio of our non-residential real estate loans is generally 75%.

Loans secured by non-residential real estate generally are larger than one- to four-family residential loans and involve greater credit risk. Non-residential real estate loans often involve large loan balances to single borrowers or groups of related borrowers. Repayment of these loans depends to a large degree on the results of operations and management of the properties

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securing the loans or the businesses conducted on such property, and may be affected to a greater extent by adverse conditions in the real estate market or the economy in general, including the current adverse conditions. In addition, because a church's financial stability often depends on donations from congregation members, some of whom may not reside in our market area, rather than income from business operations, repayment may be affected by economic conditions that affect individuals located both in our market area and in other market areas with which we are not as familiar. In addition, due to the unique nature of church buildings and properties, the real estate securing church loans may be less marketable than other non-residential real estate.

**Construction and Land:** We make construction loans to individuals for the construction of their primary residences and interim construction loans for non-residential properties. These loans generally have maximum terms of eight months, and upon completion of construction convert to conventional amortizing mortgage loans. These construction loans have rates and terms comparable to one- to four-family residential mortgage loans that we originate. During the construction phase, the borrower generally pays interest only. The maximum loan-to-value ratio of our owner-occupied construction loans is 80%. Residential construction loans are generally underwritten pursuant to the same guidelines used for originating permanent residential mortgage loans. Finally, we make loans secured by land to complement our construction and non-residential lending activities. These loans have terms of up to 10 years, and maximum loan-to-value ratios of 75% for improved lots and 65% for unimproved land.

To the extent our construction loans are not made to owner-occupants of single-family homes, they are more vulnerable to changes in economic conditions and the concentration of credit with a limited number of borrowers. Further, the nature of these loans is such that they are more difficult to evaluate and monitor. Our risk of loss on a construction or land loan is dependent largely upon the accuracy of the initial estimate of the property's value upon completion of the project and the estimated cost (including interest) of the project. If the estimate of value proves to be inaccurate, we may be confronted, at or prior to the maturity of the loan, with a project with a value which is insufficient to assure full repayment and/or the possibility of having to make substantial investments to complete and sell the project. Because defaults in repayment may not occur during the construction period, it may be difficult to identify problem loans at an early stage.

**Consumer and Other Loans:** We offer installment loans for various consumer purposes, including the purchase of automobiles, boats, appliances and recreational vehicles, and for other legitimate personal purposes. The maximum terms of consumer loans is 18 months for unsecured loans, 12 months for loans secured by marketable securities and 18-60 months for loans secured by a vehicle, depending on the age of the vehicle. We generally only extend consumer loans to existing customers or their immediate family members, and these loans generally have relatively low limits.

Consumer loans may entail greater credit risk than residential mortgage loans, particularly in the case of consumer loans that are unsecured or are secured by rapidly depreciable assets, such as automobiles. In addition, consumer loan collections are dependent on the borrower's continuing financial stability, and thus are more likely to be affected by adverse personal circumstances. Furthermore, the application of various federal and state laws, including bankruptcy and insolvency laws, may limit the amount which can be recovered on such loans.





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At December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013, and based on the most recent analyses performed, the loan grade for each loan by portfolio segment is as follows:

	One-to four family		Real estate				Nonresidential	
	December 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	December 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	December 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	December 31, 2013	June 30, 2013
Pass	\$ 204,282	\$ 202,411	\$ 255	\$ 258	\$ 251	\$ 292	\$ 8,581	\$ 8,521
Special mention	183						21	
Substandard	2,395	1,986						
Total	\$ 206,860	\$ 204,397	\$ 255	\$ 258	\$ 251	\$ 292	\$ 8,602	\$ 8,521

	Real estate		Consumer		Total	
	December 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	December 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	December 31, 2013	June 30, 2013
Pass	\$ 9,508	\$ 8,735	\$ 836	\$ 925	\$ 223,713	\$ 221,142
Special mention					204	
Substandard					2,395	1,986
Total	\$ 9,508	\$ 8,735	\$ 836	\$ 925	\$ 226,312	\$ 223,128

Loans were evaluated for appropriate risk ratings as of December 31, 2013 on January 7, 2014.

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**(5) FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

Fair value is the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. There are three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair values:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the entity has the ability to access as of the measurement date.

Level 2: Significant other 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.

Level 3: Significant unobservable inputs that reflect a reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

Investment Securities:

The fair values for investment securities are determined by quoted market prices, if available (Level 1). For securities where quoted prices are not available, fair values are calculated based on market prices of similar securities (Level 2). For securities where quoted prices or market prices of similar securities are not available, fair values are calculated using discounted cash flows or other market indicators (Level 3). The Company's preferred stock investments are not actively traded; therefore, management estimates the fair value of its preferred stock using estimations provided by external dealer quotes.

Impaired Loans:

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The fair value of impaired loans with specific allocations of the allowance for loan losses is generally based on recent real estate appraisals. These appraisals may utilize a single valuation approach or a combination of approaches including comparable sales and the income approach. Adjustments are routinely made in the appraisal process by the appraisers to adjust for differences between the comparable sales and income data available. Such adjustments are typically significant and result in a Level 3 classification of the inputs for determining fair value.

Real estate owned:

Nonrecurring adjustments to certain commercial and residential real estate properties classified as real estate owned are measured at the lower of carrying amount or fair value, less costs to sell. Fair values are generally based on third party appraisals of the property, resulting in a Level 3 classification. In cases where the carrying amount exceeds the fair value, less costs to sell, an impairment loss is recognized.

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Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013 are summarized below:

	Fair Value Measurements	
	(Level 2) December 31, 2013	(Level 2) June 30, 2013
Financial assets:		
Securities available-for-sale	\$ 97,113	\$ 87,985
Total financial assets	\$ 97,113	\$ 87,985

Presented in the table below are assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis using level 3 inputs at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013:

	Fair Value Measurements	
	(Level 3) December 31, 2013	(Level 3) June 30, 2013
Financial assets:		
Impaired real estate loans, with specific allocations:		
One-to-four-family	\$ 1,555	225
Non-financial assets:		
Real estate owned, net:		
One- to four-family	857	1,047
Total non-financial assets	857	1,047
Total assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis	\$ 2,412	\$ 1,272

Impaired loans, which are measured for impairment using the fair value of the collateral for collateral dependent loans, had a carrying amount of \$1,555 and \$225 at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013, respectively. The carrying values included a valuation allowance of \$58 and \$27, respectively, resulting in an increase in the provision for loan loss of \$31 for the six months ended December 31, 2013.

Real estate owned is carried at the lower of carrying value or fair value less costs to sell. The outstanding balances of real estate owned and their respective valuation allowances at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013 were \$857 and \$0 and \$1,047 and \$0, respectively. There were no write-downs for measuring real estate owned at the lower of carrying or fair value less costs to sell for the three months ended December 31, 2013.



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The table below presents the valuation methodology and unobservable inputs for Level 3 assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis at December 31, 2013:

Level 3 Quantitative Information at December 31, 2013				
	Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Inputs	Range (Weighted Average)
Impaired real estate loans net, with specific allocations:				
One-to four-family			Adjustment for differences between the comparable sales	0% to 30% (15%)
	\$ 1,555	Sales comparison approach		
Real estate owned:				
One-to four-family			Adjustment for differences between the comparable sales	0% to 20% (10%)
	\$ 857	Sales comparison approach		

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Many of the Company's assets and liabilities are short-term financial instruments whose carrying amounts reported in the consolidated balance sheet approximate fair value. These items include cash and cash equivalents, accrued interest receivable and payable balances, variable rate loan and deposits that re-price frequently and fully. The estimated fair values of the Company's remaining on-balance sheet financial instruments at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013 are summarized below:

	Carrying Amount	December 31, 2013			Total
		(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	
<b>Financial assets</b>					
Securities available-for-sale	\$ 97,113	\$	\$ 97,113	\$	\$ 97,113
Loans, net	224,287			231,381	228,751
Restricted equity securities (1)	449	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Financial liabilities</b>					
Deposits	\$ 284,194	\$ 80,110	\$ 209,481	\$	\$ 289,534
	Carrying Amount	June 30, 2013			Total
		(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	
<b>Financial assets</b>					
Securities available-for-sale	\$ 87,985	\$	\$ 87,985	\$	\$ 87,985
Securities held-to-maturity	8,039		8,223		8,223
Loans, net	221,163			229,745	229,745
Restricted equity securities (1)	449	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Financial liabilities</b>					
Deposits	\$ 292,422	\$ 74,471	\$ 218,395	\$	\$ 292,866

(1) It was not practicable to determine fair value of restricted equity securities due to restrictions placed on transferability.

**(6) EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN**

Employees participate in an Employee Stock Ownership Plan ( ESOP ). The ESOP borrowed from the Company to purchase 248,842 shares of the Company's common stock at \$10 per share during 2011. The Company makes discretionary contributions to the ESOP, and pays dividends on unallocated shares to the ESOP, and the ESOP uses funds it receives to repay the loan. When loan payments are made, ESOP shares are allocated to participants based on relative compensation and expense is recorded. Dividends on allocated shares increase participant accounts.



Participants receive the shares at the end of employment. No contributions to the ESOP were made during the three months ended December 31, 2013. The expense recognized for the three and six months ended December 31, 2013 was \$162 and \$229, respectively. The expense recognized for the three and six months ended December 31, 2012 was \$85 and \$135, respectively. An additional \$75 discretionary contribution was paid to the ESOP for additional debt retirement during the six months ended December 31, 2013, which resulted in the release of additional shares and recognition of additional compensation expense of \$91.

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Shares held by the ESOP at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013 were as follows:

	December 31, 2013	June 30, 2013
Committed to be released to participants		9,064
Allocated to participants	57,902	33,211
Unearned	190,940	206,567
Total ESOP shares	248,842	248,842
Fair value of unearned shares	\$ 3,360,544	\$ 3,059,257

**(7) STOCK BASED COMPENSATION**

On April 5, 2012, the shareholders of Oconee Federal Financial Corp. approved the Oconee Federal Financial Corp. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan (the Plan) for employees and directors of the Company. The Plan authorizes the issuance of up to 435,472 shares of the Company's common stock, with no more than 124,420 of shares as restricted stock awards and 311,052 as stock options, either incentive stock options or non-qualified stock options. The exercise price of options granted under the Plan may not be less than the fair market value on the date the stock option is granted. The compensation committee of the board of directors has sole discretion to determine the amount and to whom equity incentive awards are granted.

On April 27, 2012, the compensation committee of the board of directors approved the issuance of 62,208 stock options to purchase Company stock and 24,884 shares of restricted stock to its directors. In addition, a total of 171,078 stock options and 62,210 shares of restricted stock were granted to officers. Stock options and restricted stock have vesting periods of 5 or 7 years, a percentage of which vests annually on each anniversary date of grant. The weighted average vesting period of stock options and restricted stock granted was 5.7 years and 5.6 years, respectively. Stock options expire ten years after issuance. Apart from the vesting schedule for both stock options and restricted stock, there are no performance-based conditions or any other material conditions applicable to the awards issued.

On November 13, 2013, the compensation committee of the board of directors approved the issuance of 7,700 stock options to purchase Company stock and 12,600 shares of restricted stock to one of the Company's officers. Stock options and restricted stock have vesting periods of 7 years, a percentage of which vests annually on each anniversary date of grant. Stock options expire ten years after issuance. Apart from the vesting schedule for both stock options and restricted stock, there are no performance-based conditions or any other material conditions applicable to the awards issued.

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The following table summarizes stock option activity for the six months ended December 31, 2013:

Outstanding - July 1, 2013	233,286	\$	11.58		
Exercised					
Outstanding - December 31, 2013	240,986	\$	11.76	8.28	\$ 1,407,770
Expected to vest in future periods	198,772				

(1) Based on closing price of \$17.60 per share on December 31, 2013.

Intrinsic value for stock options is defined as the difference between the current market value and the exercise price.

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The fair value for each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing model that uses the following assumptions. The Company uses the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of the grant to determine the risk-free interest rate. The expected dividend yield is estimated using the projected annual dividend level and recent stock price of the Company's common stock at the date of grant. Expected stock volatility is based on historical volatilities of the SNL Financial Index of Thrifts. The expected life of the options is calculated based on the simplified method as provided for under Staff Accounting Bulletin No.110.

The weighted-average fair value of options granted and assumptions used in the Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing model in the years granted are listed below:

	2013	2012
Risk-free interest rate	2.32%	1.54%
Expected dividend yield	2.33%	3.45%
Expected stock volatility	15.5	15.3
Expected life (years)	8	8
Fair value	\$ 2.46	\$ 1.00

Stock options are assumed to be earned ratably over their respective vesting periods and charged to compensation expense based upon their grant date fair value and the number of options assumed to be earned. There were 21,425 and 21,280 options that were earned during the six months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Stock-based compensation expense for stock options for the three and six months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 was \$11 and \$22. Total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested stock options was \$177 at December 31, 2013 and is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 4.3 years.

The following table summarizes non-vested restricted stock activity for the six months ended December 31, 2013:

	December 31, 2013
Balance - beginning of year	71,095
Granted	12,600
Forfeited	
Vested	
Balance - end of period	83,695
Weighted average grant date fair value	\$ 12.29

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The fair value of the restricted stock awards is amortized to compensation expense over their respective vesting periods and is based on the market price of the Company's common stock at the date of grant multiplied by the number of shares granted that are expected to vest. The weighted-average grant date fair value of restricted stock granted on April 27, 2011 was \$11.58 per share or \$1,009. The weighted-average grant date fair value restricted stock granted on November 13, 2013 was \$17.16 per share or \$216. Stock-based compensation expense for restricted stock included in noninterest expense for the three and six months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 was \$51 and \$97 and \$47 and \$94, respectively. Unrecognized compensation expense for nonvested restricted stock awards was \$895 at December 31, 2013 and is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 4.5 years.

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**(8) SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION**

Supplemental cash flow information for the three months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012:

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Cash paid during the period for:		
Interest paid	\$ 813	\$ 620
Income taxes paid	\$ 1,380	\$ 35
Supplemental noncash disclosures:		
Transfers from loans to real estate owned	\$	\$ 583
Unrealized gains (losses) on securities available-for-sale, net	\$ (565)	\$ 383
Transfer from securities held-to-maturity to available-for-sale	\$ 7,805	\$
Unrealized gains on securities held-to-maturity	\$ 45	\$

**(9) SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

On January 30, 2014, the Board of Directors of Oconee Federal Financial Corp. (the Company) declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per share of the Company's common stock. The dividend will be payable to stockholders of record as of February 13, 2014, and will be paid on or about February 27, 2014.

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

This Quarterly Report 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:

- statements of our goals, intentions and expectations;
- statements regarding our business plans and prospects and growth and operating strategies;
- statements regarding the asset quality of our loan and investment portfolios; and
- estimates of our risks and future costs and benefits.

These forward-looking statements are based on our current beliefs and expectations and are inherently subject to significant business, economic, and competitive uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond our control. In addition, these forward-looking statements are subject to assumptions with respect to future business strategies and decisions that are subject to change. We are under no duty to and do not take any obligation to update any forward-looking statements after the date of this Quarterly Report.

The following factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from the anticipated results or other expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements:

- our ability to manage our operations under the current adverse economic conditions (including real estate values, loan demand, inflation, commodity prices and employment levels) nationally and in our market areas;
- adverse changes in the financial industry, securities, credit and national and local real estate markets (including real estate values);
- significant increases in our delinquencies and loan losses, including as a result of our inability to resolve classified assets, changes in the underlying cash flows of our borrowers, and management's assumptions in determining the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses;

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- credit risks of lending activities, including changes in the level and trend of loan delinquencies and write-offs and in our allowance and provision for loan losses;
- use of estimates for determining the fair value of certain of our assets, which may prove to be incorrect and result in significant declines in valuations;
- increased competition among depository and other financial institutions;
- our ability to attract and maintain deposits, including attracting and maintaining deposits and introducing new deposit products;
- changes in interest rates generally, including changes in the relative differences between short term and long term interest rates and in deposit interest rates, that may affect our net interest margin and funding sources;
- fluctuations in the demand for loans, which may be affected by the number of unsold homes, land and other properties in our market areas and by declines in the value of real estate in our market area;
- declines in the yield on our assets resulting from the current low interest rate environment;
- our ability to successfully implement our business strategies, including attracting and maintaining deposits and introducing new financial products;
- risks related to high concentration of loans secured by real estate located in our market areas;



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- changes in laws or government regulations or policies affecting financial institutions, including the Dodd-Frank Act and the JOBS Act, which could result in, among other things, increased deposit insurance premiums and assessments, capital requirements, regulatory fees and compliance costs, particularly the new capital regulations;
- changes in the level of government support of housing finance;
- our ability to manage our operations following increased leverage and risk-based capital requirements due to the implementation of Basel III by our regulators;
- the results of examinations by our regulators, including the possibility that our regulators may, among other things, require us to increase our reserve for loan losses, write down assets, change our regulatory capital position, limit our ability to borrow funds or maintain or increase deposits, or prohibit us from paying dividends, which could adversely affect our dividends and earnings;
- our ability to enter new markets successfully and capitalize on growth opportunities;
- risks relating to acquisitions, including losses that we may incur on loans originated by such institutions, and an ability to integrate and operate profitably any financial institution that we may acquire;
- our reliance on a small executive staff;
- changes in our compensation and benefit plans, and our ability to retain key members of our senior management team and to address staffing needs to implement our strategic plan;
- changes in consumer spending, borrowing and savings habits;
- changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the bank regulatory agencies, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board;
- our ability to control costs and expenses, particularly those related to operating as a publicly traded company;

- changes in our financial condition or results of operations that reduce capital available to pay dividends;
- changes in the financial condition or future prospects of issuers of securities that we own, including our stock in the FHLB of Atlanta; and
- other economic, competitive, governmental, regulatory and operational factors affecting our operations, pricing, products and services.

Because of these and a wide variety of other uncertainties, our actual future results may be materially different from the results indicated by these forward-looking statements.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

There are no material changes to the critical accounting policies disclosed in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for Oconee Federal Financial Corp. for the year ended June 30, 2013, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### **Comparison of Financial Condition at December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013**

Our total assets decreased by \$9.5 million, or 2.6%, to \$360.6 million at December 31, 2013 from \$370.1 million at June 30, 2013. A substantial portion of this decrease is reflected in the decrease in cash and cash equivalents of \$13.8 million, or 36.2%, offset partially by an increase in investment securities of \$1.0 million, or 1.1%, and an increase in net loans of \$3.1 million, or 1.4%. The decrease in cash is primarily reflective of an increase in loan demand and a decline in loan pay-offs for the six months ended December 31, 2013, an increase in purchases of investment securities, and approximately \$8.3 million decrease in interest bearing deposits. Total equity decreased to \$75.4 million at December 31, 2013 compared with \$76.2 million at June 30, 2013.

Total gross loans increased by \$3.2 million, or 1.4%, to \$226.3 million at December 31, 2013 from \$223.1 million at June 30, 2013. Our one-to-four-family real estate loans increased by \$2.5 million, or 1.2%, to \$206.9 million at December 31, 2013

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from \$204.4 million at June 30, 2013. Construction and land loans increased by \$773 thousand, or 8.9%. These increases are a reflection of increasing demand in our market area. As mortgage rates have trended upward, our rates offered on one-to four-family mortgage loans have become more competitive in the market leading to an increase in demand and a reduction in loan pay-offs stemming from borrower refinances with other institutions. The increase in one-to four-family and construction and land loans was offset by declines in home equity and consumer loans.

Deposits decreased by \$8.2 million, or 2.8%, to \$284.2 million at December 31, 2013 from \$292.4 million at June 30, 2013. The decrease was primarily attributed to a decrease in interest bearing deposit accounts of \$8.3 million, or 2.9%, primarily within our certificates of deposit accounts. The decline in our certificates of deposits is reflective of depositors moving their deposits into higher yielding investments in the market. Oconee Federal MHC's cash is held on deposit with the Company. We generally do not accept brokered deposits and no brokered deposits were accepted during the six months ended December 31, 2013.

We had no advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta as of December 31, 2013 or June 30, 2013. We have credit available under a loan agreement with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta in the amount of 11% of total assets (as of December 31, 2013), or approximately \$40.2 million.

Total equity decreased by \$749 thousand, or 1.0%, to \$75.4 million at December 31, 2013 compared with \$76.2 million at June 30, 2013. The decrease in total equity is the result of the repurchase of 89,900 shares of treasury stock for \$1.4 million and the payment of dividends of \$1.1 million, the increase in accumulated other comprehensive loss of \$537 thousand at December 31, 2013, offset partially by net income of \$1.9 million.

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The table below sets forth the amounts and categories of our nonperforming assets at the dates indicated.

	December 31, 2013	June 30, 2013
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Non-accrual loans:		
Real estate loans:		
One- to four-family	\$ 2,394	\$ 1,493
Multi-family		
Home equity		
Non-residential		
Construction and land		
Total real estate loans	2,394	1,493
Consumer and other loans		
Total nonaccrual loans	\$ 2,394	\$ 1,493
Accruing loans past due 90 days or more:		
Real estate loans:		
One- to four-family	\$ 493	\$ 493
Multi-family		
Home equity		
Non-residential		
Construction and land		
Total real estate loans		493
Consumer and other loans		
Total accruing loans past due 90 days or more		493
Total of nonaccrual and 90 days or more past due loans	\$ 2,394	\$ 1,986
Real estate owned, net:		
One- to four-family	\$ 857	\$ 1,047
Multi-family		
Home equity		
Non-residential		
Other		
Other nonperforming assets		
Total nonperforming assets	\$ 3,251	\$ 3,033
Troubled debt restructurings		
Troubled debt restructurings and total nonperforming assets	\$ 3,251	\$ 3,033
Total nonperforming loans to total loans	1.06%	0.89%
Total nonperforming assets to total assets	0.90%	0.82%
Total nonperforming assets to loans and real estate owned	1.43%	1.35%

There were two additional loans totaling \$205 thousand, \$21 thousand related to a nonresidential church loan and the remaining \$184 thousand were one- to four-family mortgage loans that were not on non-accrual but exhibited credit problems and were therefore evaluated for potential impairment as part of our allowance for loan loss determination.

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Interest income that would have been recorded had our non-accruing loans been current in accordance with their original terms was \$35 thousand and \$51 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Interest of \$25

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thousand and \$21 thousand was recognized on these loans and is included in net income for the six months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

The increase in the ratio of nonperforming loans to total loans was primarily the result of the increase in nonperforming loans to \$2.4 million at December 31, 2013 from \$2.0 million at June 30, 2013. The increase in nonperforming loans was primarily related to three large balance loans, totaling approximately \$1.5 million that became past due 90 days during the six months ended December 31, 2013. All nonperforming loans, regardless of size, are evaluated by management for impairment.

**Analysis of Net Interest Margin**

The following tables set forth average balance sheets, average yields and rates, and certain other information at and for the periods indicated. No tax-equivalent yield adjustments were made, as the effect thereof was not material. All average balances are daily average balances. Nonaccrual loans were included in the computation of average balances, but have been reflected in the tables as loans carrying a zero yield. The yields set forth below include the effect of net deferred costs, discounts and premiums that are amortized or accreted to income.

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	For the Three Months Ended					
	December 31, 2013			December 31, 2012		
	Average Balance	Interest and Dividends	Yield/ Cost	Average Balance	Interest and Dividends	Yield/ Cost
(Dollars in Thousands)						
<b>Assets:</b>						
Interest-earning assets:						
Loans	\$ 223,089	\$ 2,870	5.15%	\$ 239,138	\$ 3,234	5.41%
Investment securities	96,691	381	1.58	80,836	273	1.35
Interest-bearing deposits	27,704	15	0.22	47,172	20	0.17
Total interest-earning assets	347,484	3,266	3.76	367,146	3,527	3.84
Noninterest-earning assets	15,807			7,921		
Total assets	\$ 363,291			\$ 375,067		
<b>Liabilities and equity:</b>						
Interest-bearing liabilities:						
NOW and demand deposits	\$ 19,187	\$ 3	0.06%	\$ 15,780	\$ 3	0.08%
Money market deposits	12,742	6	0.19	11,497	6	0.21
Regular savings and other deposits	39,605	18	0.18	34,498	50	0.58
Certificates of deposit	210,113	356	0.67	223,906	509	0.90
Total interest-bearing deposits	281,647	383	0.54	285,681	568	0.79
Total interest-bearing liabilities	281,647			285,681		
Noninterest bearing deposits	4,988			4,854		
Other noninterest-bearing liabilities	1,354			2,141		
Total liabilities	287,989			292,676		
Equity	75,302			82,391		
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 363,291			\$ 375,067		
Net interest income						
		\$ 2,883			\$ 2,959	
Interest rate spread						
			3.22%			3.05%
Net interest margin						
			3.32%			3.22%
Average interest-earning assets to						
average interest-bearing liabilities	1.23X			1.29X		

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	December 31, 2013		For the Six Months Ended		December 31, 2012	
	Average Balance	Interest and Dividends	Yield/ Cost	Average Balance	Interest and Dividends	Yield/ Cost
(Dollars in Thousands)						
<b>Assets:</b>						
Interest-earning assets:						
Loans	\$ 222,350	\$ 5,722	5.15%	\$ 243,596	\$ 6,604	5.42%
Investment securities	97,876	751	1.53	77,161	540	1.40
Interest-bearing deposits	29,441	29	0.20	47,514	38	0.16
Total interest-earning assets	349,667	6,502	3.72	368,271	7,182	3.90
Noninterest-earning assets	15,630			8,136		
Total assets	\$ 365,297			\$ 376,407		
<b>Liabilities and equity:</b>						
Interest-bearing liabilities:						
NOW and demand deposits	\$ 19,029	\$ 6	0.06%	\$ 16,818	\$ 6	0.07%
Money market deposits	12,507	13	0.21	11,778	13	0.22
Regular savings and other deposits	39,498	34	0.17	34,488	112	0.64
Certificates of deposit	212,793	758	0.71	224,518	1,062	0.94
Total interest-bearing deposits	283,827	811	0.57	287,602	1,193	0.82
Total interest-bearing liabilities	283,827			287,602		
Noninterest bearing deposits	4,478			4,191		
Other noninterest-bearing liabilities	1,404			2,075		
Total liabilities	289,709			293,868		
Equity	75,589			82,539		
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 365,298			\$ 376,407		
Net interest income		\$ 5,691			\$ 5,989	
Interest rate spread			3.15%			3.08%
Net interest margin			3.26%			3.25%
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities	1.23X			1.28X		



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**Comparison of Operating Results for the Three Months Ended December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012**

**General.** We recognized net income of \$1.0 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013 as compared to net income of \$1.1 million for the three months ended December 31, 2012. The slight decrease of \$93 thousand was primarily attributable to a decrease in net interest income after provision for loan losses of \$100 thousand, or 3.3%, and an increase in noninterest expense of \$269 thousand, or 20.5%, partially offset by an increase in noninterest income of \$188 thousand, or 361.5%.

**Interest Income.** Interest income decreased by \$261 thousand, or 7.4%, to \$3.3 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$3.5 million for the three months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease reflected a decrease in the average yield on interest earning assets of 8 basis points to 3.76% for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from 3.84% for the three months ended December 31, 2012 and a decrease in the average balance of interest earning assets of \$19.7 million, or 5.4%, to \$347.5 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$367.1 million for the three months ended December 31, 2012.

Interest income on loans decreased by \$364 thousand, or 11.3%, to \$2.9 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$3.2 million for the three months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease resulted from a decrease in the average balances of loans of \$16.0 million, or 6.7%, to \$223.1 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$239.1 million for the three months ended December 31, 2012 and a decrease in the yield on loans of 26 basis points to 5.15% for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from 5.41% for the three months ended December 31, 2012. Interest income on investment securities increased by \$108 thousand, or 39.6%, to \$381 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$273 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2012. The increase reflected an increase in the average balance of securities of \$15.9 million, or 19.6%, to \$96.7 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$80.8 million for the three months ended December 31, 2012 and an increase of 23 basis points in the yield on securities to 1.58% from 1.35%. The increase in average balances of our investment securities is reflective of our efforts to continue to invest in high-quality investment securities during this period of low loan demand.

**Interest Expense.** Interest expense decreased \$185 thousand, or 32.6%, to \$383 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$568 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease reflected a decrease of 25 basis points in the average rate paid on deposits for the three months ended December 31, 2013 to 0.54% from 0.79% for the three months ended December 31, 2012 and a decrease in the average balances of interest bearing deposits of \$4.1 million, or 1.4%, to \$281.6 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$285.7 million for the three months ended December 31, 2012. The largest decrease in interest expense came from certificates of deposit, which decreased \$153 thousand, or 30.1%, to \$356 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$509 thousand for the same period in 2012. The decrease is reflective of a decrease of \$13.8 million, or 6.2%, in the average balance of certificates of deposit to \$210.1 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$223.9 million for the three months ended December 31, 2012 and a decrease of 23 basis points in the average rate paid on such deposits to 0.67% from 0.90% for the same periods ended.

**Net Interest Income.** Net interest income before the provision for loan losses decreased by \$76 thousand, or 2.6%, to \$2.9 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from \$3.0 million for the three months ended December 31, 2012. Although both our interest rate spread and net interest margin have increased over the same period in 2012, our ratio of average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities has declined to 1.23X for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from 1.29X for the three months ended December 31, 2012. The decline in this ratio indicates that the decline in our average interest-earning assets exceeded that of our interest-bearing liabilities from the three months ended December 31, 2012 to the same period in 2013. This decline overcame the positive increases in our interest rate spread and net interest margin. Our interest rate spread and net interest margin increased to 3.22% and 3.32%, respectively, for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from 3.05% and 3.22%, respectively, for the three months ended December 31, 2012.

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**Provision for Loan Losses.** We recorded a negative provision for loan losses of \$40 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2013, compared with a negative provision of \$64 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2012. Our negative provision for the three months ended December 31, 2013 is a result of relatively low charge offs and an improvement in our credit quality since the three months ended September 30, 2013 and the amount of impairment determined our loans designated as impaired. At September 30, 2013, impaired loans were \$3.2 million and the amount of allowance allocated to those impaired loans was \$110 thousand. At December 31, 2013, our impaired loans declined to \$2.6 million and the amount of allowance allocated to those impaired loans was \$58 thousand. Net charge-offs for the three months ended December 31, 2013 were \$4 thousand compared to \$67 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2012. Our allowance for loan losses was \$788 thousand at December 31, 2013 and \$751 thousand at June 30, 2013.

We used the same methodology in assessing the allowances for both periods. To the best of our knowledge, we have recorded all losses that are both probable and reasonably estimable for the three months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012.

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**Noninterest Income.** Noninterest income for the three months ended December 31, 2013 was \$240 thousand compared with \$52 thousand for the same period in 2012. The increase reflected gain on sales of securities of \$145 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2013 as compared with \$14 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2012 as we sold more investments during the three months ended December 31, 2013 than we did during the same period in 2012. Additionally, the increase reflected an increase of \$75 thousand of income on bank owned life insurance, which is included in other noninterest income. In April 2013, the Company purchased an additional \$8.0 million in bank owned life insurance.

**Noninterest Expense.** Noninterest expense for the three months ended December 31, 2013 increased by \$269 thousand, or 20.5%, to \$1.6 million from \$1.3 million, over the same period in 2012. The increase to the Company's noninterest expense primarily resulted from increases in salaries and employee benefits of \$171 thousand, or 20.8%, professional and supervisory fees of \$47 thousand, or 48.4%, and other noninterest expenses of \$37 thousand, or 52.1%. The increase in salaries and employee benefits reflected an increase in compensation expense associated with our ESOP of \$162 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2013 as compared with \$85 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2012, salary increases for certain senior level officers, and normal employee salary increases. Compensation expense related to our ESOP increased as a result of an increase in discretionary contributions by the Association to the ESOP.

**Income Tax Expense.** Income tax expense for the three months ended December 31, 2013 was \$568 thousand compared with \$656 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2012. Our effective income tax rate decreased to 35.9% for the three months ended December 31, 2013 from 37.2% for the three months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease in effective tax rates is largely due to income on bank owned life insurance, which is non-taxable for income tax purposes and represents a permanent difference between book and taxable income.

**Comparison of Operating Results for the Six months Ended December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012**

**General.** We recognized net income of \$1.9 million for the six months ended December 31, 2013 as compared to net income of \$2.1 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease of \$190 thousand, or 8.9%, was primarily attributable to a decrease in net interest income after provision for loan losses of \$263 thousand, or 4.4%, and an increase in noninterest expense of \$356 thousand, or 13.7%, partially offset by an increase in noninterest income of \$184 thousand, or 153.3%.

**Interest Income.** Interest income decreased by \$680 thousand, or 9.5%, to \$6.5 million for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from \$7.2 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease was primarily the result of a decrease in the average yield on interest earning assets of 18 basis points to 3.72% for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from 3.90% for the six months ended December 31, 2012 and a decrease in the average balance of interest earning assets of \$18.6 million, or 5.1%, to \$349.7 million for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from \$368.3 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012.

Interest income on loans decreased by \$882 thousand, or 13.4%, to \$5.7 million for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from \$6.6 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease resulted from a decrease in the average balances of loans of \$21.2 million, or 8.7%, to \$222.4 million for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from \$243.6 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012 and a decrease in the yield on loans of 27 basis points to 5.15% for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from 5.42% for the six months ended December 31, 2012. Interest income on investment securities increased by \$211 thousand, or 39.1%, to \$751 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from \$540 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2012. The increase reflected an increase in the average balance of securities of \$20.7 million, or 26.9%, to \$97.9 million for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from \$77.2 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012 and an increase of 13 basis points in the yield on securities to 1.53% from 1.40%. The increase in average balances of our investment securities is reflective of our efforts to continue to invest in high-quality investment securities during this period of low loan

demand.

**Interest Expense.** Interest expense decreased \$382 thousand, or 32.0%, to \$811 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from \$1.2 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease reflected a decrease of 25 basis points in the average rate paid on deposits for the six months ended December 31, 2013 to 0.57% from 0.82% for the six months ended December 31, 2012 and a decrease in the average balances of interest-bearing deposits of \$3.8 million, or 1.3%, to \$283.8 million for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from \$287.6 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012. The largest decrease in interest expense came from certificates of deposit, which decreased \$304 thousand, or 28.6%, to \$758 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from \$1.1 million for the same period. The decrease is reflective of a decrease of \$11.7 million, or 5.2%, in the average balance of certificates of deposit to \$212.8 million for the six months

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ended December 31, 2013 from \$224.5 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012 and a decrease of 23 basis points in the average rate paid on such deposits to 0.71% from 0.94% for the same periods ended.

**Net Interest Income.** Net interest income before the provision for loan losses decreased by \$298 thousand, or 5.0%, to \$5.7 million for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from \$5.9 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012. Although both our interest rate spread and net interest margin have increased over the prior year, our ratio of average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities has declined to 1.23X for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from 1.28X for the six months ended December 31, 2012. The decline in this ratio indicates that the decline in our average interest-earning assets exceeded that of our interest-bearing liabilities from the six months ended December 31, 2012 to the same period in 2013. This decline overcame the positive increases in our interest rate spread and net interest margin. Our interest rate spread and net interest margin increased to 3.15% and 3.26%, respectively, for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from 3.08% and 3.25%, respectively, for the six months ended December 31, 2012.

**Provision for Loan Losses.** We recorded a provision for loan losses of \$41 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2013, compared with a provision of \$76 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease in our provision is related to several factors: a decline in net charge-offs as compared with the six months ended December 31, 2012, a decline in the amount of impaired loans as compared with December 31, 2012, and an overall decline in our loan balances as compared with December 31, 2012. Our gross loans at December 31, 2013 were \$226.3 million compared with \$235.4 million at December 31, 2012. Net charge-offs for the six months ended December 31, 2013 were \$4 thousand compared with \$67 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2012. Our impaired loans at December 31, 2013 were \$2.6 million with a related allowance of \$58 thousand as compared with impaired loans of \$3.0 million with a related allowance of \$159 thousand at December 31, 2012. Our allowance for loan losses was \$788 thousand at December 31, 2013 and \$751 thousand at June 30, 2013.

We used the same methodology in assessing the allowances for both periods. To the best of our knowledge, we have recorded all losses that are both probable and reasonably estimable for the six months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012.

**Noninterest Income.** Noninterest income for the six months ended December 31, 2013 was \$320 thousand compared with \$136 thousand for the same period in 2012. The increase reflected gain on sales of securities of \$145 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2013 as compared with \$14 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2012 as we sold more investments during the six months ended December 31, 2013 than we did during the same period in 2012. Additionally, the increase reflected an increase of \$151 thousand of income on bank owned life insurance, which is included in other noninterest income offsetting these increases was a loss on sales of real estate owned of \$14 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2013 as compared with gains on sales of other real estate owned of \$66 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2012. In April 2013, the Company purchased an additional \$8.0 million in bank owned life insurance.

**Noninterest Expense.** Noninterest expense for the six months ended December 31, 2013 increased by \$356 thousand, or 13.7%, over the same period in 2012. The increase to the Company's noninterest expense primarily resulted from increases in salaries and employee benefits of \$241 thousand, or 14.9%, professional and supervisory fees of \$79 thousand, or 44.9%, and other noninterest expenses of \$29 thousand, or 19.6%. These increases were offset, partially, by a decrease in occupancy and equipment expenses of \$10 thousand, or 3.0%. The increase in salaries and employee benefits reflected an increase in compensation expense associated with our ESOP of \$229 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2013 as compared with \$135 thousand for the six months ended December 31, 2012, salary increases for certain senior level officers, and normal employee salary increases. Compensation expense related to our ESOP increased as a result of an increase in discretionary contributions by the Association to the ESOP.

**Income Tax Expense.** Income tax expense for the six months ended December 31, 2013 was \$1.1 million compared with \$1.3 million for the six months ended December 31, 2012. Our effective income tax rate decreased to 35.9% for the six months ended December 31, 2013 from 38.5% for the six months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease in effective tax rates is largely due to income on bank owned life insurance, which is non-taxable for income tax purposes and represents a permanent difference between book and taxable income.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our primary sources of funds are deposits and the proceeds from principal and interest payments on loans and investment securities. While maturities and scheduled amortization of loans and securities are predictable sources of funds, deposit flows and mortgage prepayments are greatly influenced by general interest rates, economic conditions and competition. We generally manage the pricing of our deposits to be competitive within our market and to increase core deposit relationships.

Liquidity management is both a daily and long-term responsibility of management. We adjust our investments in liquid assets based upon management's assessment of (i) expected loan demand, (ii) expected deposit flows, (iii) yields available on interest-earning deposits and investment securities, and (iv) the objectives of our asset/liability management program. Excess

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liquid assets are invested generally in interest-earning overnight deposits, federal funds sold, and short and intermediate-term U.S. Government sponsored agencies and mortgage-backed securities of short duration. If we require funds beyond our ability to generate them internally, we have credit available under a loan agreement with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta in the amount of 11% assets (as of December 31, 2013), or approximately \$40.2 million.

**Common Stock Dividend Policy.** The Company's Board of Directors declared \$0.10 per share cash dividends on its common stock on July 25, 2013 and on October 24, 2013. Dividends were paid to stockholders of record as of August 15, 2013 and November 7, 2013. Total dividends paid for the six months ended December 31, 2012 were \$1.1 million.

**Equity Compensation Plans.** On November 13, 2013, the Company issued 12,600 shares of restricted stock and 7,700 stock options to the Company's Vice President and Controller under the existing Equity Incentive Plan. Shares of restricted stock were issued out of the Company's existing treasury shares.

**ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK**

Disclosures of quantitative and qualitative market risk are not required by smaller reporting companies, such as the Company.

**ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

An evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) promulgated under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of December 31, 2013. Based on that evaluation, the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

During the quarter ended December 31, 2013, there have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, amended) that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

**PART II**

**ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

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There are various claims and lawsuits in which the Company is periodically involved incidental to the Company's business. In the opinion of management, no material loss is expected from any of such pending claims or lawsuits.

### **ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

Disclosures of risk factors are not required by smaller reporting companies, such as the Company.

### **ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS**

(a) None.

(b) Not applicable.



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(c) **Issuer Repurchases.** On June 19, 2013, the Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to 150,000 shares of the Company's common stock. The repurchase authorization has no expiration date. In connection with this repurchase authorization, the Company had purchased a total of 89,900 shares of its common stock. During the three months ended December 31, 2013, the Company did not repurchase any shares of its common stock.

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(1) All shares were purchased pursuant to a publicly announced repurchase program that was approved by the Board of Directors on June 19, 2013.

(2) Represents the maximum number of shares available for repurchase under the June 19, 2013 plan at June 30, 2013.

**ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES**

None.

**ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES**

Not applicable.

**ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION**

None.

**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

The exhibits required by Item 601 of Regulation S-K are included with this Form 10-Q and are listed on the Index to Exhibits immediately following the Signatures.

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**SIGNATURES**

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

Oconee Federal Financial Corp.

Date: February 14, 2014

/s/ T. Rhett Evatt  
T. Rhett Evatt  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ H. Allen Salter  
H. Allen Salter  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

<b>Exhibit number</b>	<b>Description</b>
31.1	Certification of T. Rhett Evatt, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a).
31.2	Certification of H. Allen Salter, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a).
32.1	Certification of T. Rhett Evatt, Chairman Chief Executive Officer, and H. Allen Salter, Chief Financial Officer, Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101	The following materials from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2013, formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) Consolidated Balance Sheets</li><li>(ii) Consolidated Statements of Income and Other Comprehensive Income</li><li>(iii) Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity</li><li>(iv) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and</li><li>(v) Notes to The Consolidated Financial Statements</li></ul>