

FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL CORP /PA/  
Form 8-K  
July 27, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 26, 2004

First Commonwealth Financial Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania  
(State or other  
jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

0-11242  
(Commission  
File Number)

25-1428528  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

22 N. Sixth Street, Indiana, PA  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

15701  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (724) 349-7220

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Item 5. OTHER EVENTS

On July 26, 2004, First Commonwealth Financial Corporation issued a press

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release announcing that it will acquire shares of its common stock in the open market to fund its Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP"). A copy of this press release is furnished herein as exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 First Commonwealth Financial Corporation Press Release  
dated July 26, 2004

Dated: July 27, 2004

FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /S/JOHN J. DOLAN  
John J. Dolan  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer