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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

#### **FORM 10-Q**

X	QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
	For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2007
	or
0	TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OF 15(d) OF THE
	SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
	For the transition period from to
	Commission File Number: 000-31225
	, Inc.
	(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Tennessee
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

62-1812853 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

211 Commerce Street, Suite 300, Nashville, Tennessee 37201 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(615) 744-3700 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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.

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changes since last report)

Yes x No o

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

Large Accelerated Filer o Accelerated Filer x Non-accelerated Filer o

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

Yes o	No x
As of October 31, 2007 there were 15,553,537 shares of coutstanding.	ommon stock, \$1.00 par value per share, issued and

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#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Pinnacle Financial Partners, Inc. ("Pinnacle Financial") may from time to time make written or oral statements, including statements contained in this report which may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). The words "expect", "anticipate", "intend", "consider", "plan", "believe", "seek", "should", "estimate", and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-look statements, but other statements may constitute forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and other facts that may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Pinnacle Financial to differ materially from any results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, without limitation, (i) unanticipated deterioration in the financial condition of borrowers resulting in significant increases in loan losses and provisions for those losses, (ii) the inability of Pinnacle Financial to continue to grow its loan portfolio at historic rates in the Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin MSA or projected rates in the Knoxville MSA, (iii) increased competition with other financial institutions, (iv) lack of sustained growth in the economy in the Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin MSA and the Knoxville MSA, (v) rapid fluctuations or unanticipated changes in interest rates, (vi) the inability of Pinnacle Financial to satisfy regulatory requirements for its expansion plans, (vii) the inability of Pinnacle Financial to execute its expansion plans and (viii) changes in the legislative and regulatory environment. Additionally, risk factors exist in connection with Pinnacle Financial's proposed merger with Mid-America Bancshares, Inc. ("Mid-America") including among others, (1) the risk that the cost savings and any revenue synergies from the merger may not be realized or take longer than anticipated, (2) disruption from the merger with customers, suppliers or employee relationships, (3) the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the merger agreement, (4) the risk of successful integration of the two companies' businesses, (5) the failure of Mid-America's or Pinnacle Financial's shareholders to approve the merger, (6) the amount of the costs, fees, expenses and charges related to the merger, and (7) the ability to obtain required governmental approvals of the proposed terms of the merger and anticipated schedule. A more detailed description of these and other risks is contained in Pinnacle Financial's most recent annual report on Form 10-K and below in Item 1A of Part II. Many of such factors are beyond Pinnacle Financial's ability to control or predict, and readers are cautioned not to put undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. Pinnacle Financial disclaims any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements contained in this report,

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whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

### Item 1.

### Part I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

	September 30, 2007	December 31, 2006
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and noninterest-bearing due from banks	\$ 48,865,526	\$ 43,611,533
Interest-bearing due from banks	5,819,607	1,041,174
Federal funds sold	26,522,858	47,866,143
Cash and cash equivalents	81,207,991	92,518,850
Securities available-for-sale, at fair value	325,171,126	319,237,428
Securities held-to-maturity (fair value of \$26,603,414 and \$26,594,235 at		
September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively)	27,050,937	27,256,876
Mortgage loans held-for-sale	5,685,674	5,654,381
Loans	1,731,245,280	1,497,734,824
Less allowance for loan losses	(17,978,429)	(16,117,978)
Loans, net	1,713,266,851	1,481,616,846
Premises and equipment, net	38,208,897	36,285,796
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and other entities	17,424,718	16,200,684
Accrued interest receivable	12,056,089	11,019,173
Goodwill	114,287,640	114,287,640
Core deposit intangible, net	9,837,744	11,385,006
Other assets	23,881,242	26,724,183
Total assets	\$2,368,078,909	\$ 2,142,186,863
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Deposits:		
Noninterest-bearing demand	\$ 316,542,088	\$ 300,977,814
Interest-bearing demand	254,958,551	236,674,425
Savings and money market accounts	538,976,126	485,935,897
Time	716,407,184	598,823,167
Total deposits	1,826,883,949	1,622,411,303
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	145,331,726	141,015,761
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	35,685,005	53,725,833
Federal funds purchased	19,986,000	-
Subordinated debt	51,548,000	51,548,000
Accrued interest payable	5,973,825	4,952,422
Other liabilities	8,033,974	12,516,523
Total liabilities	2,093,442,479	1,886,169,842
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, no par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and		
outstanding	-	-
	15,553,037	15,446,074

Common stock, par value \$1.00; 90,000,000 shares authorized; 15,553,037 issued and outstanding at September 30, 2007 and 15,446,074 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2006

Additional paid-in capital	213,644,006	211,502,516
Retained earnings	47,908,839	31,109,324
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of deferred income taxes	(2,469,452)	(2,040,893)
Total stockholders' equity	274,636,430	256,017,021
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,368,078,909	\$ 2,142,186,863

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2007 2006		Nine Mont Septem 2007	
Interest income:				
Loans, including fees	\$ 32,750,403	\$26,771,110	\$ 92,283,516	\$ 64,195,835
Securities:				
Taxable	3,387,464	3,240,878	10,127,943	9,250,455
Tax-exempt	743,921	521,240	2,106,857	1,416,862
Federal funds sold and other	1,464,795	806,829	3,075,372	1,591,941
Total interest income	38,346,583	31,340,057	107,593,688	76,455,093
Interest expense:				
Deposits	16,043,425	11,800,394	44,037,317	27,213,738
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	2,061,333	1,382,418	5,664,167	2,569,383
Federal funds purchased and other borrowings	1,282,159	997,899	4,189,055	3,110,660
Total interest expense	19,386,917	14,180,711	53,890,539	32,893,781
Net interest income	18,959,666	17,159,346	53,703,149	43,561,312
Provision for loan losses	772,064	586,589	2,460,028	2,680,638
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	18,187,602	16,572,757	51,243,121	40,880,674
Noninterest income:				
Service charges on deposit accounts	1,965,965	1,357,280	5,683,199	3,151,664
Investment sales commissions	868,738	644,931	2,453,505	1,811,428
Insurance sales commissions	563,367	549,584	1,829,282	1,562,946
Gain on loans and loan participations sold, net	378,682	490,254	1,380,883	1,285,609
Trust fees	466,581	311,997	1,312,076	675,994
Other noninterest income	1,088,430	1,069,811	3,249,918	2,364,592
Total noninterest income	5,331,763	4,423,857	15,908,863	10,852,233
Noninterest expense:				
Compensation and employee benefits	9,106,256	7,576,011	26,167,610	19,314,365
Equipment and occupancy	2,632,747	2,070,727	7,209,977	5,325,274
Marketing and other business development	375,066	351,432	1,057,092	899,807
Postage and supplies	474,083	487,689	1,453,197	1,118,308
Amortization of core deposit intangible	515,754	534,957	1,547,262	1,248,335
Other noninterest expense	2,005,752	1,815,392	5,282,516	3,999,832
Merger related expense	-	218,167	-	1,582,734
Total noninterest expense	15,109,658	13,054,375	42,717,654	33,488,655
Income before income taxes	8,409,707	7,942,239	24,434,330	18,244,252
Income tax expense	2,637,897	2,595,465	7,634,815	5,963,112
Net income	\$ 5,771,810	\$ 5,346,774	\$ 16,799,515	\$ 12,281,140
Per share information:				
Basic net income per common share	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.35	\$ 1.09	\$ 0.91
Diluted net income per common share	\$ 0.35		\$ 1.01	\$ 0.84

Weighted average shares outstanding:				
Basic	15,503,284	15,393,735	15,477,339	13,450,282
Diluted	16,609,328	16,655,349	16,630,311	14,649,418

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006

Accumulated

### **Common Stock**

	Shares	Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	Unearned Compensation		Other Comprehensive Loss	Total eStockholders' Equity
Balances, December 31, 2005	8,426,551	\$ 8,426,551	\$ 44,890,912	\$ (169,689) \$	\$ 13,182,29	1 \$(2,893,640)	\$ 63,436,425
Transfer of unearned compensation to additional paid-in capital upon adoption of SFAS			(1.50.500	160 600			
No. 123(R) Exercise of employee common stock	-	-	(169,689	) 169,689			-
options and related tax benefits	93,435	93,435	964,582	-			1,058,017
Issuance of restricted common shares pursuant to 2004 Equity Incentive							
Plan	22,057	22,057	(22,057	) -			-
Exercise of director common stock warrants	11,000	11,000	44,000	-			55,000
Stock based compensation expense	-	-	1,001,372	-		<u> </u>	1,001,372
Dividends paid to minority interest shareholders of PNFP Properties, Inc.	_	_	_	_	(7,81	3) -	(7,813)
Merger with Cavalry Bancorp, Inc.	6,856,298	6,856,298	164,231,274	-			171,087,572

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15,409,341	\$ 15,409,341	\$ 210,752,785	\$ -	\$ 25,455,618	\$ (2,558,356)	\$ 249,059,388
15,446,074	\$ 15,446,074	\$211,502,516	\$ -	\$31,109,324	\$ (2,040,893)	\$ 256,017,021
78,437	78,437	645,118	-	-	-	723,555
28,526	28,526	(28,526)	-	-	-	-
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\$262,665

Total comprehensive income 16,370,956

Balances, September 30,

**2007** 15,553,037 \$15,553,037 \$213,644,006 \$ - \$47,908,839 \$(2,469,452) \$274,636,430

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2007	2006
Operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 16,799,515	\$ 12,281,140
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Net amortization of premium on securities	376,450	591,794
Depreciation and net amortization	2,010,487	1,263,375
Provision for loan losses	2,460,028	2,680,638
Gains on loans and loan participations sold, net	(1,380,883)	(1,285,609)
Stock-based compensation expense	1,524,898	1,001,372
Deferred tax (benefit) expense	1,587,523	(1,110,490)
Excess tax benefit from stock compensation	(128,678)	(110,244)
Mortgage loans held for sale:	(107.010.617)	(101.155.050)
Loans originated	(125,018,617)	(104,455,073)
Loans sold	126,137,833	102,030,399
(Increase) decrease in other assets	1,728,650	(3,580,936)
Decrease in other liabilities	(3,461,145)	(9,368,829)
Net cash provided (used in) by operating activities	22,636,061	(62,463)
Investing activities:		
Activities in securities available-for-sale:		
Purchases	(36,988,675)	(38,573,610)
Sales	-	-
Maturities, prepayments and calls	30,193,241	26,320,244
	(6,795,434)	(12,253,366)
Increase in loans, net	(232,911,778)	(205,522,296)
Purchases of premises and equipment and software	(5,097,092)	(3,708,595)
Cash and cash equivalents acquired in merger with Cavalry Bancorp, Inc., net of		
acquisition costs	-	37,420,210
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and other entities	(1,222,570)	(65,647)
Purchases of other assets	-	(1,206,335)
Net cash used in investing activities	(246,026,874)	(185,336,029)
Financing activities:		
Net increase in deposits	205,095,262	192,206,552
Net increase in securities sold under agreements to repurchase	4,315,965	56,520,032
Net increase in Federal funds purchased	19,986,000	-
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank:	17,700,000	
Issuances	35,000,000	31,000,000
Payments	(53,040,828)	(61,527,218)
Proceeds from the issuance of subordinated debt	-	20,619,000
Exercise of common stock warrants	-	55,000
Exercise of common stock options	594,877	947,773
Excess tax benefit from stock compensation	128,678	110,244
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Costs incurred in connection with registration of common stock issued in merger	-	(187,609)
Net cash provided by financing activities	212,079,954	239,743,774
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(11,310,859)	54,345,282
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	92,518,850	58,654,270
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 81,207,991	\$ 112,999,552

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

*Nature of Business* — Pinnacle Financial Partners, Inc. (Pinnacle Financial) is a bank holding company whose primary business is conducted by its wholly-owned subsidiary, Pinnacle National Bank (Pinnacle National). Pinnacle National is a commercial bank headquartered in Nashville, Tennessee with operations in Nashville and Knoxville, Tennessee. Pinnacle National provides a full range of financial services, including banking, investments, mortgages, and insurance.

Basis of Presentation — These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Pinnacle Financial and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. PNFP Statutory Trust I, PNFP Statutory Trust II, PNFP Statutory Trust III and Collateral Plus, LLC, are affiliates of Pinnacle Financial and are included in these consolidated financial statements pursuant to the equity method of accounting. Significant intercompany transactions and accounts are eliminated in consolidation. The unaudited consolidated financial statements include, in the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of such financial statements for all periods presented. On the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, Pinnacle Financial reclassified \$2.4 million of amortization of intangible assets arising from the acquisition of Cavalry Bancorp, Inc. ("Cavalry") to properly reflect the cash flow from operations for that period.

*Use of Estimates* — The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities as of the balance sheet date and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change in the near term include the determination of the allowance for loan losses.

Impairment— Long-lived assets, including purchased intangible assets subject to amortization, such as Pinnacle Financial's core deposit intangible asset, are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its estimated future cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized for the excess of the carrying amount over the fair value of the asset. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell, and are no longer depreciated.

Goodwill and intangible assets that have indefinite useful lives are tested annually for impairment and more frequently if events and circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. An impairment loss is recognized to the extent that the carrying amount exceeds the asset's fair value. Pinnacle Financial's annual assessment date is as of September 30 such that the assessment will be completed during the fourth quarter of each year. Should Pinnacle Financial determine in a future period that the goodwill recorded in connection with the acquisition of Cavalry has been impaired, then a charge to earnings will be recorded in the period such determination is made.

Cash and Cash Flows — Cash on hand, cash items in process of collection, amounts due from banks, Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell, with original maturities within ninety days, are included in cash and cash equivalents. The following supplemental cash flow information addresses certain cash payments and noncash transactions for each of the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 as follows:

	For the nine months ended September 30,	
	2007	2006
Cash Payments:		
Interest	\$ 53,491,752	\$ 34,444,269
Income taxes	7,850,000	6,380,000
Noncash Transactions:		
Loans charged-off to the allowance for loan losses	809,703	627,838
Loans foreclosed upon with repossessions transferred to other assets	240,878	-
Common stock and options issued to acquire Cavalry Bancorp, Inc	-	171,087,572
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# PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

Income Per Common Share — Basic earnings per share ("EPS") is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted EPS reflects the dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted. The difference between basic and diluted weighted average shares outstanding was attributable to common stock options, warrants and restricted shares. The dilutive effect of outstanding options, warrants and restricted shares is reflected in diluted earnings per share by application of the treasury stock method.

As of September 30, 2007 and 2006, there were options outstanding to purchase 1,929,000 and 1,562,000 common shares, respectively. Most of these options have exercise prices, compensation costs attributable to future services and excess tax benefits, which when considered in relation to the average market price of Pinnacle Financial's common stock, are considered dilutive and are considered in Pinnacle Financial's diluted income per share calculation for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006. There were common stock options of 352,000, and 177,000 outstanding as of September 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively, which were considered anti-dilutive and thus have not been considered in the diluted earnings per share calculations below. Additionally, as of September 30, 2007 and 2006, Pinnacle Financial had outstanding warrants to purchase 395,000 of common shares which have been considered in the calculation of Pinnacle Financial's diluted net income per share for three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006.

The following is a summary of the basic and diluted earnings per share calculation for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006:

		ree months ptember 30,	For the nine months ende September 30,			
	2007	2006	2007	2006		
Basic earnings per share calculation:						
Numerator - Net income	\$ 5,771,810	\$ 5,346,774	\$ 16,799,515	\$12,281,140		
<b>Denominator</b> - Average common shares outstanding	15,503,284	15,393,735	15,477,339	13,450,282		
Basic net income per share	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.35	\$ 1.09	\$ 0.91		
Diluted earnings per share calculation:						
Numerator - Net income	\$ 5,771,810	\$ 5,346,774	\$ 16,799,515	\$12,281,140		
<b>Denominator</b> - Average common shares outstanding	15,503,284	15,393,735	15,477,339	13,450,282		
Dilutive shares contingently issuable	1,106,044	1,261,614	1,152,972	1,199,136		
Average diluted common shares outstanding	16,609,328	16,655,349	16,630,311	14,649,418		
Diluted net income per share	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.32	\$ 1.01	\$ 0.84		

Comprehensive Income — SFAS No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income" describes comprehensive income as the total of all components of comprehensive income including net income. Other comprehensive income refers to revenues, expenses, gains and losses that under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles are included in comprehensive income but excluded from net income. Currently, Pinnacle Financial's other comprehensive income consists of unrealized gains and losses, net of deferred income taxes, on securities available-for-sale. Pinnacle Financial's total comprehensive income for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 is included in the Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity and Comprehensive Income.

### Note 2. Definitive Merger Agreement with Mid-America Bancshares, Inc.

On August 15, 2007, Pinnacle Financial announced that it had entered into a definitive merger agreement to acquire all of the outstanding common stock of Mid-America Bancshares, Inc. ("Mid-America"), a two-bank holding company located in Nashville, Tennessee with approximately \$1.1 billion in assets as of September 30, 2007. Terms of the agreement call for each share of Mid-America to be exchanged for 0.4655 Pinnacle shares and \$1.50 in cash, which results in the transaction approximating 90 percent paid in Pinnacle Financial shares and 10 percent paid in cash. As of the date the merger was announced, the transaction has an implied purchase price of \$196.2 million. Additionally, all Mid-America stock options and stock appreciation rights will be converted to Pinnacle Financial stock options and stock appreciation rights upon the closing of the transaction. Mid-America was formed in 2006 for the purpose of combining two Nashville community banks: PrimeTrust Bank and Bank of the South, both founded in 2001. Subject to receipt of shareholder and regulatory approval and the satisfaction of customary closing conditions, the transaction is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2007. At that time, Pinnacle Financial will have estimated assets of approximately \$3.7 billion with 31 offices in nine counties, including several high-growth counties new to the Pinnacle footprint.

# PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

The aggregate consideration approximates 6.6 million shares of Pinnacle Financial common stock and \$21.3 million in cash. As a result, Mid-America shareholders will own approximately 30 percent of the combined company. Including restricted shares, Mid-America had approximately 14.2 million common shares outstanding as of August 15, 2007. In order to finance the \$21.3 million cash component of the aggregate consideration, on October 31, 2007, Pinnacle Financial issued approximately \$30 million in trust preferred securities prior to the closing of the Mid-America transaction. The trust preferred securities will bear a floating interest rate based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR of approximately 2.85% which is set each quarter and mature in 2037. Distributions are payable quarterly. Subject to approval by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, the trust preferred securities may be redeemed prior to maturity at Pinnacle Financial's option beginning in 2012.

### Note 3. Merger with Cavalry Bancorp, Inc.

On March 15, 2006, Pinnacle Financial consummated its merger with Cavalry, a one-bank holding company located in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Pursuant to the merger agreement, Pinnacle acquired all of the outstanding shares of Cavalry common stock via a tax-free exchange whereby Cavalry shareholders received a fixed exchange ratio of 0.95 shares of Pinnacle Financial common stock for each share of Cavalry common stock, or approximately 6.9 million Pinnacle Financial shares. The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the activities of the former Cavalry since March 15, 2006.

In accordance with SFAS No. 141, "Accounting for Business Combinations" ("SFAS No. 141"), SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Intangible Assets" ("SFAS No. 142") and SFAS No. 147, "Acquisition of Certain Financial Institutions" ("SFAS No. 147"), Pinnacle Financial recorded at fair value the following assets and liabilities of Cavalry as of March 15, 2006:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 37,420,210
Investment securities – available-for-sale	39,476,178
Loans, net of an allowance for loan losses of \$5,102,296	545,598,367
Goodwill	114,287,640
Core deposit intangible	13,168,236
Other assets	42,936,956
Total assets acquired	792,887,587
Deposits	583,992,422
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	17,766,661
Other liabilities	18,851,261
Total liabilities assumed	620,610,344
Total consideration paid for Cavalry	\$ 172,277,243

As shown in the table above, total consideration for Cavalry approximates \$172.3 million of which \$171.1 million was in the form of Pinnacle Financial common shares and options to acquire Pinnacle Financial common shares and \$1.2 million in investment banking fees, attorney's fees and other costs related to the acquisition which have been accounted for as a component of the purchase price. Pinnacle Financial issued 6,856,298 shares of Pinnacle Financial common stock to the former Cavalry shareholders. In accordance with EITF No. 99-12, "Determination of the Measurement Date for the Market Price of Acquirer Securities Issued in a Purchase Business Combination," the consideration shares were valued at \$24.53 per common share which represents the average closing price of Pinnacle Financial common stock from the two days prior to the merger announcement on September 30, 2005 through the two

days after the merger announcement. Aggregate consideration for the common stock issued was approximately \$168.2 million. Additionally, Pinnacle Financial also has assumed the Cavalry Bancorp, Inc. 1999 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Cavalry Plan") pursuant to which Pinnacle is obligated to issue 195,551 shares of Pinnacle Financial common stock upon exercise of stock options awarded to certain former Cavalry employees who held outstanding options as of March 15, 2006. All of these options were fully vested prior to the merger announcement date and expire at various dates between 2011 and 2012. The exercise prices for these stock options range between \$10.26 per share and \$13.68 per share. In accordance with SFAS No. 141, Pinnacle Financial has considered the fair value of these options in determining the acquisition cost of Cavalry. The fair value of these vested options approximated \$2.9 million which has been included as a component of the aggregate purchase price.

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In accordance with SFAS Nos. 141 and 142, Pinnacle Financial recognized \$13.2 million as a core deposit intangible in connection with its merger with Cavalry. This identified intangible is being amortized over seven years using an accelerated method which anticipates the life of the underlying deposits to which the intangible is attributable. For the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, \$1,547,000 and \$1,248,000 of amortization, respectively, was recognized in the accompanying statement of income. Amortization expense associated with this identified intangible will approximate \$1.8 million to \$2.1 million per year for the next four years with lesser amounts for the remaining two years.

Pinnacle Financial also recorded other adjustments to the carrying value of Cavalry's assets and liabilities in order to reflect the fair value of those net assets in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, including a \$4.8 million discount associated with the loan portfolio, a \$2.9 million premium for Cavalry's certificates of deposit and a \$4.6 million premium for Cavalry's land and buildings. Pinnacle Financial also recorded the corresponding deferred tax assets or liabilities associated with these adjustments. The discounts and premiums related to financial assets and liabilities are being amortized into the statements of income using a method that approximates the level yield method over the anticipated lives of the underlying financial assets or liabilities. For the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, the accretion of the fair value discounts related to the acquired loans and certificates of deposit increased net interest income by approximately \$2,061,000 and \$2,382,000, respectively. Based on the estimated useful lives of the acquired loans and deposits, Pinnacle Financial expects to recognize increases in net interest income related to accretion of these purchase accounting adjustments of \$1.9 million for the remainder of 2007 and in subsequent years.

Statement of Position 03-03, "Accounting for Certain Loans or Debt Securities Acquired in a Transfer" ("SOP 03-03") addresses accounting for differences between contractual cash flows and cash flows expected to be collected from an investor's initial investment in loans or debt securities (loans) acquired in a transfer if those differences are attributable, at least in part, to credit quality. It includes loans acquired in purchase business combinations and applies to all nongovernmental entities, including not-for-profit organizations. The SOP does not apply to loans originated by the entity. At March 15, 2006, Pinnacle Financial identified \$3.9 million in loans to which the application of the provisions of SOP 03-03 was required. The purchase accounting adjustments reflect a reduction in loans and the allowance for loan losses of \$1.0 million related to Cavalry's impaired loans, thus reducing the carrying value of these loans to \$2.9 million as of March 15, 2006. At September 30, 2007, the carrying value of these loans had been reduced to \$756,000 due to cash payments received from the borrowers.

The following pro forma income statements assume the merger was consummated on January 1, 2006 and purchase accounting adjustments began to be recorded at that time. The pro forma information does not reflect Pinnacle Financial's results of operations that would have actually occurred had the merger been consummated on such date (dollars in thousands, except per share information).

	Nine months ended eptember 30, 2006 (1)
Pro Forma Income Statements:	
Net interest income	\$ 49,855
Provision for loan losses	3,662
Noninterest income	13,249

Noninterest expense:	
Compensation	22,095
Other noninterest expense	15,140
Net income before taxes	22,207
Income tax expense	7,867
Net income	\$ 14,340
Pro Forma Per Share Information:	
Basic net income per common share	\$ 0.97
Diluted net income per common share	\$ 0.89
Weighted average shares outstanding:	
Basic	14,840,326
Diluted	16,039,462

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(1) In preparation and as a result of the merger during 2006, Cavalry and Pinnacle Financial incurred significant merger related charges of approximately \$10.6 million in the aggregate, primarily for severance benefits, accelerated vesting of defined compensation agreements, investment banker fees, etc. Including these charges would have decreased pro forma net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 by \$7.5 million resulting in net income of \$6,841,000 and a basic and fully diluted net income per share of \$0.46 and \$0.43, respectively.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006, Pinnacle Financial incurred merger integration expense related to the merger with Cavalry of \$218,000 and \$1,583,000, respectively. These expenses were directly related to the merger, recognized as incurred and reflected on the accompanying consolidated statement of income as merger related expense.

#### **Note 4. Securities**

The amortized cost and fair value of securities available-for-sale and held-to-maturity at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006 are summarized as follows:

	<b>September 30, 2007</b>							
		Gross	Gross					
	Amortized	Unrealized	Unrealized	Fair				
	Cost	Gains	Losses	Value				
Securities available-for-sale:								
U.S. Treasury securities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
U.S. government agency securities	37,094,336	39,148	171,478	36,962,006				
Mortgage-backed securities	216,191,499	309,176	3,523,811	212,976,864				
State and municipal securities	74,509,398	51,644	768,496	73,792,546				
Corporate notes and other	1,487,539	-	47,829	1,439,710				
	\$ 329,282,772	\$ 399,968	\$ 4,511,614	\$ 325,171,126				
Securities held-to-maturity:								
U.S. government agency securities	\$ 17,747,473	\$ -	\$ 185,173	\$ 17,562,300				
State and municipal securities	9,303,464	-	262,350	9,041,114				
_	\$ 27,050,937	\$ -	\$ 447,523	\$ 26,603,414				

	<b>December 31, 2006</b>								
Conviting available for calcu	Gross Amortized Unrealized Cost Gains		Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value					
Securities available-for-sale:	¢	ф		¢	¢				
U.S. Treasury securities		\$		•	\$ -				
U.S. Government agency securities	38,076,428		9,739	457,321	37,628,846				
Mortgage-backed securities	220,397,093		455,203	3,028,241	217,824,055				
State and municipal securities	62,215,952		131,412	388,124	61,959,240				
Corporate notes and other	1,887,475		-	62,188	1,825,287				
	\$ 322,576,948	\$	596,354	\$ 3,935,874	\$ 319,237,428				

Securities held-to-maturity:			
U.S. government agency securities	\$ 17,747,228 \$	- \$	378,528 \$ 17,368,700
State and municipal securities	9,509,648	-	284,113 9,225,535
	\$ 27,256,876 \$	- \$	662,641 \$ 26,594,235

At September 30, 2007, approximately \$176,081,000 of Pinnacle Financial's investment portfolio was pledged to secure public funds and other deposits and securities sold under agreements to repurchase.

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At September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, included in securities were the following investments with unrealized losses. The information below classifies these investments according to the term of the unrealized loss of less than twelve months or twelve months or longer:

	Investment Unrealized I than 12	Los moi	s of less nths	Investments with an Unrealized Loss of 12 months or longer			Total Investm Unrealize	ed Loss	
	T	_	nrealized	T) • X/ 1	ι	Inrealized	T) • T/ 1	Unrealized	
At September 30, 2007:	Fair Value		Losses	Fair Value		Losses	Fair Value		Losses
Ai sepiember 50, 2007.									
U.S. government agency									
securities	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 42,161,570	\$	356,651	\$ 42,161,570	\$	356,651
Mortgage-backed securities	35,898,115		258,967	127,576,903		3,264,844	163,475,018		3,523,811
State and municipal									
securities	33,377,347		254,388	35,579,684		776,458	68,957,031		1,030,846
Corporate notes and other	-		-	1,439,710		47,829	1,439,710		47,829
Total temporarily-impaired									
securities	\$69,275,462	\$	513,355	\$ 206,757,867	\$	4,445,782	\$ 276,033,329	\$	4,959,137
<i>At December 31, 2006:</i>									
U.S. government agency									
securities	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 47,988,246	\$	835,849	\$ 47,988,246	\$	835,849
Mortgage-backed securities	13,959,080		68,965	149,496,521		2,959,276	163,455,601		3,028,241
State and municipal									
securities	13,975,595		47,071	35,660,379		625,166	49,635,974		672,237
Corporate notes and other	-		-	1,825,286		62,188	1,825,286		62,188
Total temporarily-impaired									
securities	\$ 27,934,675	\$	116,036	\$ 234,970,432	\$	4,482,479	\$ 262,905,107	\$	4,598,515

Management evaluates securities for other-than-temporary impairment on at least a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic or market concerns warrant such evaluation. Consideration is given to (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, (2) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, and (3) the intent and ability of Pinnacle Financial to retain its investment in the issue for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in fair value. Because the declines in fair value noted above were attributable to increases in interest rates and not attributable to credit quality and because Pinnacle Financial has the ability and intent to hold all of these investments until a market price recovery or maturity, the impairment of these investments is not deemed to be other-than-temporary.

#### Note 5. Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses

The composition of loans at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006 is summarized as follows:

At September 30, At December 31,

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	2007	2006
Commercial real estate – Mortgage	\$ 315,340,104	\$ 284,301,650
Commercial real estate – Construction	176,130,568	161,903,496
Commercial – Other	780,340,943	608,529,830
Total Commercial	1,271,811,615	1,054,734,976
Consumer real estate – Mortgage	297,360,456	299,626,769
Consumer real estate – Construction	112,889,641	91,193,738
Consumer – Other	49,183,568	52,179,341
Total Consumer	459,433,665	442,999,848
Total Loans	1,731,245,280	1,497,734,824
Allowance for loan losses	(17,978,429)	(16,117,978)
Loans, net	\$ 1,713,266,851	\$ 1,481,616,846

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Changes in the allowance for loan losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and for the year ended December 31, 2006 are as follows:

	Sej	otember 30, 2007	December 31, 2006
Balance at beginning of period	\$	16,117,978	\$ 7,857,774
Charged-off loans		(809,704)	(818,467)
Recovery of previously charged-off loans		210,127	244,343
Allowance acquired in acquisition of Cavalry (see note 2)		-	5,102,296
Provision for loan losses		2,460,028	3,732,032
Balance at end of period	\$	17,978,429	\$ 16,117,978

At September 30, 2007 and at December 31, 2006, Pinnacle Financial had certain impaired loans on nonaccruing interest status. The principal balance of these nonaccrual loans amounted to \$2,364,000 and \$7,070,000 at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively. In each case, at the date such loans were placed on nonaccrual, Pinnacle Financial reversed all previously accrued interest income against current year earnings. Had nonaccruing loans been on accruing status, interest income would have been higher by \$108,000 and \$202,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

At September 30, 2007, Pinnacle Financial had granted loans and other extensions of credit amounting to approximately \$24,095,000 to certain directors, executive officers, and their related entities, of which \$14,676,000 had been drawn upon. During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, \$20,000 of new loans to certain directors, executive officers, and their related entities were made and repayments totaled \$2,085,000. At December 31, 2006, Pinnacle Financial had granted loans and other extensions of credit amounting to approximately \$29,942,000 to certain directors, executive officers, and their related entities, of which approximately \$17,461,000 had been drawn upon. The terms of these loans and extensions are substantially the same terms customary for other persons for the type of loan involved. None of these loans to certain directors, executive officers, and their related entities, were impaired at September 30, 2007.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, Pinnacle Financial sold participations in certain loans to correspondent banks at an interest rate that was less than that of the borrower's rate of interest. In accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, Pinnacle Financial recognized a net gain on the sale of these participated loans for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 of approximately \$230,000 and \$224,000, respectively, which is attributable to the present value of the future net cash flows of the difference between the interest payments the borrower is projected to pay Pinnacle Financial and the amount of interest that will be owed the correspondent bank based on their participation in the loans. At September 30, 2007, Pinnacle Financial was servicing \$132 million of loans for correspondent banks and other entities, of which \$125 million was commercial loans.

SFAS No. 156, "Accounting for Servicing of Financial Assets - an amendment of FASB Statement No. 140". ("SFAS No. 156") requires an entity to recognize a servicing asset or servicing liability each time it undertakes a contractual obligation to service a financial asset in certain circumstances. All separately recognized servicing assets and servicing liabilities are required to be initially measured at fair value. Subsequent measurement methods include the amortization method, whereby servicing assets or servicing liabilities are amortized in proportion to and over the

period of estimated net servicing income or net servicing loss, or the fair value method, whereby servicing assets or servicing liabilities are measured at fair value at each reporting date and changes in fair value are reported in earnings in the period in which they occur. If the amortization method is used, an entity must assess servicing assets or servicing liabilities for impairment or increased obligation based on the fair value at each reporting date. SFAS No. 156 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. As a result of the adoption of SFAS 156, Pinnacle Financial has approximately \$55,000 recorded as a servicing liability as of September 30, 2007.

#### **Note 6. Income Taxes**

FASB Interpretation 48, "Accounting for Income Tax Uncertainties" ("FIN 48") was issued in June 2006 and defines the threshold for recognizing the benefits of tax return positions in the financial statements as "more-likely-than-not" to be sustained by the taxing authority. FIN 48 also provides guidance on the derecognition, measurement and classification of income tax uncertainties, along with any related interest and penalties and includes guidance concerning accounting for income tax uncertainties in interim periods. Pinnacle Financial adopted the provisions of FIN 48, on January 1, 2007, and determined there was no need to make an adjustment to retained earnings upon adoption of this Interpretation.

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As of January 1, 2007, Pinnacle Financial has accrued no interest and no penalties related to uncertain tax positions. It is Pinnacle Financial's policy to recognize interest and/or penalties related to income tax matters in income tax expense.

Pinnacle Financial and its subsidiaries file a consolidated U.S. Federal income tax return. The Company is currently open to audit under the statute of limitations by the Internal Revenue Service for the years ended December 31, 2005 through 2006. Pinnacle Financial and its subsidiaries' state income tax returns are open to audit under the statute of limitations for the years ended December 31, 2002 through 2006.

Income tax expense attributable to income from continuing operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 consists of the following:

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine months Ended September 30,				
	2007		2006		2007		2006	
Current tax expense (benefit):								
Federal	\$ 762,232	\$	2,404,721	\$	5,894,231	\$	6,644,857	
State	(40,480)		118,652		153,061		428,745	
Total current tax expense (benefit)	721,752		2,523,373		6,047,292		7,073,602	
Deferred tax expense (benefit):								
Federal	1,805,893		57,292		1,531,720		(949,171)	
State	110,252		14,800		55,803		(161,319)	
Total deferred tax expense (benefit)	1,916,145		72,092		1,587,523		(1,110,490)	
_	\$ 2,637,897	\$	2,595,465	\$	7,634,815	\$	5,963,112	

Pinnacle Financial's income tax expense (benefit) differs from the amounts computed by applying the Federal income tax statutory rates of 35% in 2007 and 2006 to income before income taxes. A reconciliation of the differences for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 is as follows:

	Three Mon Septem		Nine mon Septem			
	2007		2006	2007		2006
Income taxes at statutory rate	\$ 2,943,397	\$	2,779,782 \$	8,552,015	\$	6,385,488
State tax expense, net of federal tax						
effect	45,352		86,743	135,762		173,827
Federal tax credits	(90,000)		(75,000)	(270,000)		(225,000)
Tax-exempt securities	(217,167)		(155,154)	(615,896)		(425,766)
Other items	(43,685)		(40,906)	(167,066)		54,563
Income tax expense	\$ 2,637,897	\$	2,595,465 \$	7,634,815	\$	5,963,112

The effective tax rate for 2007 and 2006 is impacted by Federal tax credits related to the New Markets Tax Credit program whereby a subsidiary of Pinnacle National has been awarded approximately \$2.3 million in future Federal tax credits which are available thru 2010. Tax benefits related to these credits will be recognized for financial reporting purposes in the same periods that the credits are recognized in the Company's income tax returns. The credit that is

available for the year ended December 31, 2007 is \$360,000 and for the year ended December 31, 2006 is \$300,000. Pinnacle Financial believes that it will comply with the various regulatory provisions of the New Markets Tax Credit program, and therefore has reflected the impact of the credits in its estimated annual effective tax rate for 2007 and 2006.

The components of deferred income taxes included in other assets in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006 are as follows:

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	2007	2006
Deferred tax assets:		
Allowance for loan losses	\$ 7,049,011	\$ 6,654,334
Loans	1,018,955	1,337,983
Securities	1,514,302	1,251,636
Accrued liability for supplemental retirement agreements	1,599,756	1,535,688
Deposits	342,186	585,568
Other deferred tax assets	424,155	340,296
	11,948,365	11,705,505
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,280,204	1,563,078
Core deposit intangible asset	3,866,162	4,473,076
REIT dividends	1,250,732	-
FHLB dividends	855,833	770,156
Other deferred tax liabilities	561,738	440,642
	8,814,669	7,246,952
Net deferred tax assets	\$ 3,133,696	\$ 4,458,553

In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. Management considers the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income, and tax planning strategies in making this assessment. Based upon the level of historical taxable income and projections for future taxable income over the periods in which the deferred tax assets are deductible, management believes it is more likely than not that Pinnacle Financial will realize the benefit of these deductible differences. However, the amount of the deferred tax asset considered realizable could be reduced in the near term if estimates of future taxable income during the carryforward period are reduced.

#### Note 7. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

In the normal course of business, Pinnacle Financial has entered into off-balance sheet financial instruments which include commitments to extend credit (i.e., including unfunded lines of credit) and standby letters of credit. Commitments to extend credit are usually the result of lines of credit granted to existing borrowers under agreements that the total outstanding indebtedness will not exceed a specific amount during the term of the indebtedness. Typical borrowers are commercial concerns that use lines of credit to supplement their treasury management functions, thus their total outstanding indebtedness may fluctuate during any time period based on the seasonality of their business and the resultant timing of their cash flows. Other typical lines of credit are related to home equity loans granted to consumers. Commitments to extend credit generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee.

Standby letters of credit are generally issued on behalf of an applicant (our customer) to a specifically named beneficiary and are the result of a particular business arrangement that exists between the applicant and the beneficiary. Standby letters of credit have fixed expiration dates and are usually for terms of two years or less unless terminated beforehand due to criteria specified in the standby letter of credit. A typical arrangement involves the applicant routinely being indebted to the beneficiary for such items as inventory purchases, insurance, utilities, lease

guarantees or other third party commercial transactions. The standby letter of credit would permit the beneficiary to obtain payment from Pinnacle Financial under certain prescribed circumstances. Subsequently, Pinnacle Financial would then seek reimbursement from the applicant pursuant to the terms of the standby letter of credit.

Pinnacle Financial follows the same credit policies and underwriting practices when making these commitments as it does for on-balance sheet instruments. Each customer's creditworthiness is evaluated on a case-by-case basis, and the amount of collateral obtained, if any, is based on management's credit evaluation of the customer. Collateral held varies but may include cash, real estate and improvements, marketable securities, accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, and personal property.

The contractual amounts of these commitments are not reflected in the consolidated financial statements and would only be reflected if drawn upon. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the contractual amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. However, should the commitments be drawn upon and should our customers default on their resulting obligation to us, Pinnacle Financial's maximum exposure to credit loss, without consideration of collateral, is represented by the contractual amount of those instruments.

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A summary of Pinnacle Financial's total contractual amount for all off-balance sheet commitments at September 30, 2007 is as follows:

Commitments to extend credit	\$ 592,441,536
Standby letters of credit	63,642,493

At September 30, 2007, the fair value of Pinnacle Financial's standby letters of credit was \$211,000. This amount represents the unamortized fee associated with these standby letters of credit and is included in the consolidated balance sheet of Pinnacle Financial. This fair value will decrease over time as the existing standby letters of credit approach their expiration dates.

Various legal claims also arise from time to time in the normal course of business. As of September 30, 2007, management is not aware of any such proceedings against Pinnacle Financial.

### Note 8. Stock Option Plan and Restricted Shares

Pinnacle Financial has two equity incentive plans under which it has granted stock options to its employees to purchase common stock at or above the fair market value on the date of grant and granted restricted share awards to employees and directors. During the first quarter of 2006 and in connection with its merger with Cavalry, Pinnacle Financial assumed a third equity incentive plan, the 1999 Cavalry Bancorp, Inc. Stock Option Plan (the "Cavalry Plan"). All options granted under the Cavalry Plan were fully vested prior to Pinnacle Financial's merger with Cavalry and expire at various dates between January 2011 and June 2012.

As of September 30, 2007, of the approximately 1,929,000 stock options outstanding, 1,213,000 of those options were granted with the intention to be incentive stock options qualifying under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code for favorable tax treatment to the option holder while 716,000 options would be deemed non-qualified stock options and thus not subject to favorable tax treatment to the option holder. All stock options under the plans vest in equal increments over five years from the date of grant and are exercisable over a period of ten years from the date of grant.

A summary of the activity within the three equity incentive plans during the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and information regarding expected vesting, contractual terms remaining, intrinsic values and other matters was as follows:

	Weighted-				
		Average			
	Contractual				
	Weighted- Remaining			Aggregate	
	Average	Term (in	Int	rinsic Value	
Number	<b>Exercise Price</b>	years)		(1) (000's)	
1,658,459	\$ 12.93	6.4	\$	31,848	
371,843	30.69				
(78,437)	7.58				
(22,608)	27.79				
1,929,257	\$ 17.36	6.4	\$	23,334	
1,887,595	<b>\$</b> 17.16	6.4	\$	23,192	
	1,658,459 371,843 (78,437) (22,608) 1,929,257	Number         Exercise Price           1,658,459         \$ 12.93           371,843         30.69           (78,437)         7.58           (22,608)         27.79           1,929,257         \$ 17.36	Number       Exercise Price       Acerage Contractual Remaining Term (in years)         1,658,459       \$ 12.93       6.4         371,843       30.69       6.4         (78,437)       7.58       6.4         (22,608)       27.79       6.4         1,929,257       \$ 17.36       6.4	Average Contractual Remaining Average         Number       Exercise Price Exercise Price       Term (in years)       Interprited Interprit	

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Outstanding and expected to vest as of September 30, 2007

Options exercisable at September 30, 2007 1,047,280 \$ 9.24 4.7 \$ 20,564

During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, 200,000 option awards vested at an average exercise price of \$16.84 and an intrinsic value of approximately \$2.4 million.

<sup>(1)</sup> The aggregate intrinsic value is calculated as the difference between the exercise price of the underlying awards and the quoted price of Pinnacle Financial common stock of \$28.82 and \$33.18 per common share for the approximately 1.6 million options that were in-the-money at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006.

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During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, the aggregate intrinsic value of options exercised under the equity incentive plans was \$1.79 million determined as of the date of option exercise. As of September 30, 2007, there was approximately \$6.75 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested stock options granted under the equity incentive plans. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 4.0 years.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, Pinnacle Financial recorded stock-based compensation expense using the Black-Scholes valuation model for awards granted prior to, but not yet vested, as of January 1, 2006 and for stock-based awards granted after January 1, 2006. For these awards, Pinnacle Financial has recognized compensation expense using a straight-line amortization method. Stock-based compensation expense has been reduced for estimated forfeitures. The impact on the Company's results of operations (compensation and employee benefits expense) and earnings per share of recording stock-based compensation in accordance with SFAS No. 123(R) "Share Based Payments" (related to stock option awards) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 was as follows:

2007 and 2000 was as 1010 ws.									
	Three months ended September 30, 2007								
	A gr in cla in o		Non-qualified stock option awards		Total		Three months ended September 30, 2006		
Stock-based compensation expense	\$	113,000	\$	339,000	\$	452,000	\$	285,000	
Deferred income tax benefit		-		133,000		133,000		57,000	
Impact of stock-based compensation expense after	ф	112.000	ф	206.000	Ф	210.000	Φ	220,000	
deferred income tax benefit	\$	113,000	\$	206,000	\$	319,000	<b>3</b>	228,000	
Impact on earnings per share: Basic	\$	0.01	\$	0.01	\$	0.02	\$	0.01	
Fully diluted	\$	0.01	\$	0.01	\$	0.02	\$	0.01	
	Nine months ended September 30, 2007								
	Awards Non-qualified granted stock with option the awards intention to be		stock option		Total		Nine months ended September 30, 2006		

classified

as incentive stock options

Stock-based compensation expense	\$ 344,000	\$ 909,000	\$ 1,253,000	\$ 690,000
Deferred income tax benefit	-	356,000	356,000	99,000
Impact of stock-based compensation expense after				
deferred income tax benefit	\$ 344,000	\$ 553,000	\$ 897,000	\$ 591,000
Impact on earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.04
Fully diluted	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.04

For purposes of these calculations, the fair value of options granted for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 was estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and the following assumptions:

	2007	2006
Risk free interest rate	4.72%	4.66%
Expected life of options	6.50 years	6.50 years
Expected dividend yield	0.00%	0.00%
Expected volatility	21.12%	23.5%
Weighted average fair value	\$10.59	\$10.29

Pinnacle Financial's computation of expected volatility is based on weekly historical volatility since September of 2002. Pinnacle Financial used the simplified method in determining the estimated life of stock option issuances. The risk free interest rate of the award is based on the closing market bid for U.S. Treasury securities corresponding to the expected life of the stock option issuances in effect at the time of grant.

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Additionally, Pinnacle Financial's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan provides for the granting of restricted share awards and other performance or market-based awards, such as stock appreciation rights. There were no market-based awards or stock appreciation rights outstanding as of September 30, 2007. During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, Pinnacle Financial awarded 25,296 shares of restricted common stock to certain executives of Pinnacle Financial. The weighted average fair value of these awards as of the date of grant was \$29.39 per share. The forfeiture restrictions on the restricted shares lapse in three separate traunches should Pinnacle Financial achieve certain earnings and soundness targets over the subsequent three year period.

Compensation expense associated with these restricted share awards is recognized over the time period that the restrictions associated with the awards lapse based on a graded vesting schedule such that each year's traunche is amortized separately. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007, Pinnacle Financial recognized approximately \$125,000 and \$208,000, respectively, in compensation costs attributable to all awards issued prior to September 30, 2007 to certain executives of Pinnacle Financial. During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, \$89,000 in previously expensed compensation associated with certain traunches of restricted share awards was reversed when Pinnacle Financial determined that the performance targets required to vest the awards were unlikely to be achieved. Accumulated compensation costs since the date these shares were awarded have amounted to approximately \$997,000 through September 30, 2007.

During 2006, the Board of Directors of Pinnacle Financial awarded 4,400 shares of restricted common stock to the outside members of the board in accordance with their 2006 board compensation package, of which 400 were forfeited. On March 20, 2007, the Board of Directors of Pinnacle Financial awarded 3,230 shares of restricted common stock to the outside members of the board in accordance with their 2007 board compensation package. Each board member received an award of 323 shares. The restrictions on the shares issued in 2007 are expected to lapse on January 18, 2008 if each individual board member meets his or her attendance goals for the various board and board committee meetings to which each member is scheduled to attend during the year ended December 31, 2007. The fair value of these restricted share awards granted to our directors in 2007 as of the date of grant was \$30.99 per share. For the nine months ended September 30, 2007, Pinnacle Financial recognized approximately \$68,000, in compensation costs attributable to these awards.

A summary of activity for restricted share awards for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 follows:

	Executive	Management A	Awards	<b>Board of Director Awards</b>					
(number of share awards)	Vested	Unvested	Totals	Vested	Unvested	Totals			
Balances at December 31, 2006	20,769	17,500	38,269	-	4,000	4,000			
Granted	-	25,296	25,296	-	3,230	3,230			
Forfeited	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Vested	12,755	(12,755)	-	4,000	(4,000)	-			
Balances at September 30, 2007	33,524	30,041	63,565	4,000	3,230	7,230			

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A summary of compensation expense, net of the impact of income taxes, related to restricted stock awards for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, follows:

	Three mor Septem 2007	 	Nine mon Septem 2007	 
Stock-based compensation expense	\$ 150,513	\$ 69,235	\$ 272,260	\$ 78,351
Income tax benefit	(59,046)	(27,161)	(106,808)	(30,737)
Impact of stock-based compensation expense, net of income				
tax benefit	\$ 91,467	\$ 42,074	\$ 165,452	\$ 47,614
Impact on earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.00
Fully diluted	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.00

#### **Note 9. Regulatory Matters**

Pinnacle National is subject to restrictions on the payment of dividends to Pinnacle Financial under Federal banking laws and the regulations of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. Pinnacle Financial has not paid any cash dividends since inception, and it does not anticipate that it will consider paying dividends until Pinnacle National generates sufficient capital from operations to support both anticipated asset growth and dividend payments.

Pinnacle Financial and Pinnacle National are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by Federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory, and possibly additional discretionary actions, by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, Pinnacle Financial and Pinnacle National must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of the assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance-sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. Pinnacle Financial's and Pinnacle National's capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors.

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Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require Pinnacle Financial and Pinnacle National to maintain minimum amounts and ratios of Total and Tier I capital to risk-weighted assets and of Tier I capital to average assets. Management believes, as of September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, that Pinnacle Financial and Pinnacle National met all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject. To be categorized as well-capitalized, Pinnacle National must maintain minimum Total risk-based, Tier I risk-based, and Tier I leverage ratios as set forth in the following table. Pinnacle Financial and Pinnacle National's actual capital amounts and ratios are presented in the following table (dollars in thousands):

		Actı	ual	Minimum Require	-	Minimum To Be Well-Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions				
	_	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	1	atio			
At September 30, 2007	1	imount	Ratio	inount	Ratio	1	Amount Ra			
Total capital to risk weighted assets:										
Pinnacle Financial	\$	224,912	11.2%	\$ 160,651	8.0%		not applicable			
Pinnacle National	\$	201,787	10.1%	\$ 159,5831	8.0%	\$	199,789	10.0%		
Tier I capital to risk weighted assets:										
Pinnacle Financial	\$	206,924	10.3%	\$ 80,359	4.0%		not applicable			
Pinnacle National	\$	183,799	9.2%	\$ 79,912	4.0%	\$	119,869	6.0%		
Tier I capital to average assets (*):										
Pinnacle Financial	\$	206,924	9.3%	\$ 89,000	4.0%		not applicable			
Pinnacle National	\$	183,799	8.3%	\$ 88,578	4.0%	\$	110,722	5.0%		
At December 31, 2006  Total capital to risk weighted										
assets:										
Pinnacle Financial	\$	202,881	11.8%	137,638	8.0%		not applicable			
Pinnacle National	\$	175,159	10.2%	\$ 137,340	8.0%	\$	171,676	10.0%		
Tier I capital to risk weighted assets:										
Pinnacle Financial	\$	186,763	10.9%	 68,819	4.0%		not applicable			
Pinnacle National	\$	159,031	9.3%	\$ 68,670	4.0%	\$	103,005	6.0%		
Tier I capital to average assets (*):										
Pinnacle Financial	\$	186,763	9.5%	\$ 79,021	4.0%		not applicable			
Pinnacle National	\$	159,031	8.1%	\$ 79,056	4.0%	\$	98,820	5.0%		

<sup>(\*)</sup> Average assets for the above calculations were based on the most recent quarter.

## **Note 10. Business Segment Information**

Pinnacle Financial has four reporting segments comprised of commercial banking, trust and investment services, mortgage origination and insurance services. Pinnacle Financial's primary segment is commercial banking which consists of commercial loan and deposit services as well as the activities of Pinnacle National's branch locations. Pinnacle Financial's segments were changed in 2006 as a result of the acquisition of Cavalry to include Trust Services within the Investment Services segment and to add a new segment for Insurance Services. Trust and investment services include trust services offered by Pinnacle National and all brokerage and investment activities associated with Pinnacle Asset Management, an operating unit within Pinnacle National. Mortgage origination is also a separate unit within Pinnacle National and focuses on the origination of residential mortgage loans for sale to investors in the secondary residential mortgage market. Insurance Services reflect the activities of Pinnacle National's wholly owned subsidiary, Miller and Loughry Insurance Services, Inc. Miller and Loughry is a general insurance agency located in Murfreesboro, Tennessee and is licensed to sell various commercial and consumer insurance products. The following tables present financial information for each reportable segment as of September 30, 2007 and 2006 and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 (dollars in thousands):

2007:

For the three months ended September 30,

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**Commercial Investment** 

**Banking** 

**Trust and** 

**Services** 

Mortgage

Origination

2007.										
Net interest income	\$	18,916	\$	-	\$	44	\$	-	\$	18,960
Provision for loan losses		772		-		-		-		772
Noninterest income		2,606		1,458		704		564		5,332
Noninterest expense		13,162		915		582		451		15,110
Income tax expense		2,315		213		65		45		2,638
Net income	\$	5,273	\$	330	\$	101	\$	68	\$	5,772
For the three months ended September 30,										
2006:										
Net interest income	\$	17,159	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	17,159
Provision for loan losses		587		-		-		-		587
Noninterest income		2,451		838		446		689		4,424
Noninterest expense		11,717		663		243		431		13,054
Income tax expense		2,361		68		79		87		2,595
Net income	\$	4,945	\$	107	\$	124	\$	171	\$	5,347
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		mmercial		estment		rtgage		surance	~	Total
		Banking	Se	rvices	Oris	gination	Se	ervices	C	ompany
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For the nine months ended September 30,	-	g		1 11005	- (	5		- ,		. I . J
2007:		Ü								
2007: Net interest income	\$	53,557	\$	-	\$	146	\$	-	\$	53,703
2007: Net interest income Provision for loan losses		53,557 2,460		- -		146		- -		53,703 2,460
2007: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income		53,557 2,460 8,506		3,394		146 - 2,172		- - 1,837		53,703 2,460 15,909
2007: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income Noninterest expense		53,557 2,460 8,506 38,016		3,394 1,633		146 - 2,172 1,712		- 1,837 1,357		53,703 2,460 15,909 42,718
2007: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income Noninterest expense Income tax expense	\$	53,557 2,460 8,506 38,016 6,514	\$	3,394 1,633 691	\$	146 - 2,172 1,712 238	\$	1,837 1,357 191	\$	53,703 2,460 15,909 42,718 7,634
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2007: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income Noninterest expense Income tax expense Net income  For the nine months ended September 30, 2006: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income	\$	53,557 2,460 8,506 38,016 6,514 15,073 43,561 2,681 5,874	\$	3,394 1,633 691 1,070	\$	146 2,172 1,712 238 368	\$	1,837 1,357 191 289	\$	53,703 2,460 15,909 42,718 7,634 16,800 43,561 2,681 10,852
2007: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income Noninterest expense Income tax expense Net income  For the nine months ended September 30, 2006: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income Noninterest expense	\$	53,557 2,460 8,506 38,016 6,514 15,073 43,561 2,681 5,874 30,209	\$	3,394 1,633 691 1,070 - 2,208 1,603	\$	146 2,172 1,712 238 368 	\$	1,837 1,357 191 289	\$	53,703 2,460 15,909 42,718 7,634 16,800 43,561 2,681 10,852 33,488
2007: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income Noninterest expense Income tax expense Net income  For the nine months ended September 30, 2006: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income Noninterest expense Income tax expense	\$ \$	53,557 2,460 8,506 38,016 6,514 15,073 43,561 2,681 5,874 30,209 5,298	\$ \$	3,394 1,633 691 1,070 2,208 1,603 237	\$ \$	146 - 2,172 1,712 238 368 - 1,187 725 181	\$ \$	1,837 1,357 191 289 - 1,583 951 247	\$ \$	53,703 2,460 15,909 42,718 7,634 16,800 43,561 2,681 10,852 33,488 5,963
2007: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income Noninterest expense Income tax expense Net income  For the nine months ended September 30, 2006: Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income Noninterest expense	\$	53,557 2,460 8,506 38,016 6,514 15,073 43,561 2,681 5,874 30,209	\$	3,394 1,633 691 1,070 - 2,208 1,603	\$	146 2,172 1,712 238 368 	\$	1,837 1,357 191 289	\$	53,703 2,460 15,909 42,718 7,634 16,800 43,561 2,681 10,852 33,488
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**Total** 

**Company** 

Insurance

Services

As of December 31, 2006:

End of period assets \$ 2,128,105 \$ 402 \$ 9,762 \$ 3,918 \$ 2,142,187

#### Note 11. Investments in Unconsolidated Subsidiaries and Other Entities

On December 29, 2003, the Company established PNFP Statutory Trust I; on September 15, 2005 the Company established PNFP Statutory Trust II; and on September 7, 2006 the Company established PNFP Statutory Trust III ("Trust II"; "Trust III" or collectively, the "Trusts"). All are wholly-owned statutory business trusts. Pinnacle Financial is the sole sponsor of the Trusts and acquired each Trust's common securities for \$310,000, \$619,000 and \$619,000, respectively. The Trusts were created for the exclusive purpose of issuing 30-year capital trust preferred securities ("Trust Preferred Securities") in the aggregate amount of \$10,000,000 for Trust I; \$20,000,000 for Trust II; and \$20,000,000 for Trust III and using the proceeds to acquire junior subordinated debentures ("Subordinated Debentures") issued by Pinnacle Financial. The sole assets of the Trusts are the Subordinated Debentures. Pinnacle Financial's aggregate \$1,548,000 investment in the Trusts is included in investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and other entities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet at September 30, 2007 and the \$51,548,000 obligation of Pinnacle Financial is reflected as subordinated debt at September 30, 2007.

The Trust I Preferred Securities bear a floating interest rate based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR (8.16% at September 30, 2007) which is set each quarter and mature on December 30, 2033. The Trust II Preferred Securities bear a fixed interest rate of 5.848% per annum thru September 30, 2010 after which time the securities will bear a floating rate set each quarter based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR. The Trust II securities mature on September 30, 2035. The Trust III Preferred Securities bear a floating interest rate based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR (7.00% at September 30, 2007) which is set each quarter and mature on September 30, 2036.

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Distributions are payable quarterly. The Trust Preferred Securities are subject to mandatory redemption upon repayment of the Subordinated Debentures at their stated maturity date or their earlier redemption in an amount equal to their liquidation amount plus accumulated and unpaid distributions to the date of redemption. Pinnacle Financial guarantees the payment of distributions and payments for redemption or liquidation of the Trust Preferred Securities to the extent of funds held by the Trusts. Pinnacle Financial's obligations under the Subordinated Debentures together with the guarantee and other back-up obligations, in the aggregate, constitute a full and unconditional guarantee by Pinnacle Financial of the obligations of the Trusts under the Trust Preferred Securities.

The Subordinated Debentures are unsecured; bear interest at a rate equal to the rates paid by the Trusts on the Trust Preferred Securities and mature on the same dates as those noted above for the Trust Preferred Securities. Interest is payable quarterly. Pinnacle Financial may defer the payment of interest at any time for a period not exceeding 20 consecutive quarters provided that the deferral period does not extend past the stated maturity. During any such deferral period, distributions on the Trust Preferred Securities will also be deferred and Pinnacle Financial's ability to pay dividends on our common shares will be restricted.

Subject to approval by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, the Trust Preferred Securities may be redeemed prior to maturity at the Company's option on or after September 17, 2008 for Trust I; on or after September 30, 2010 for Trust II and September 30, 2011 for Trust III. The Trust Preferred Securities may also be redeemed at any time and in certain instances upon payment of a redemption premium, in whole (but not in part) in the event of unfavorable changes in laws or regulations that result in (1) the Trust becoming subject to Federal income tax on income received on the Subordinated Debentures, (2) interest payable by the parent company on the Subordinated Debentures becoming non-deductible for Federal tax purposes, (3) the requirement for the Trust to register under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, or (4) loss of the ability to treat the Trust Preferred Securities as "Tier I capital" under the Federal Reserve capital adequacy guidelines.

The Trust Preferred Securities for the Trusts qualify as Tier I capital under current regulatory definitions subject to certain limitations. Debt issuance costs associated with Trust I of \$105,000 consisting primarily of underwriting discounts and professional fees are included in other assets in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. These debt issuance costs are being amortized over ten years using the straight-line method. There were no debt issuance costs associated with Trust II or Trust III.

Combined summary financial information for the Trusts follows (dollars in thousands) at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006:

#### Combined Summary Balance Sheets

	-	otember 0, 2007	cember 1, 2006
Asset – Investment in subordinated debentures issued by Pinnacle Financial	\$	51,548	\$ 51,548
Liabilities	\$	-	\$ -
Stockholder's equity— Trust preferred securities		50,000	50,000
Common securities (100% owned by Pinnacle Financial)		1,548	1,548
Total stockholder's equity		51,548	51,548
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	\$	51,548	\$ 51,548

## **Combined Summary Income Statements**

	Nine mon Septem	
	2007	2006
<i>Income</i> – Interest income from subordinated debentures issued by Pinnacle Financial	\$ 2,651	\$ 1,617
Net Income	\$ 2,651	\$ 1,617
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Combined Summary Statements of Stockholder's Equity

	Trust Preferred			Total					
			(	Common	Retained		Sto	ockholder's	
	Sec	curities		Stock	E	arnings	Equity		
Balances, December 31, 2005	\$	30,000	\$	929	\$	-	\$	30,929	
Net income		-		-		1,617		1,617	
Issuance of trust preferred securities		20,000		619		-		20,619	
Dividends:									
Trust preferred securities		-		-		(1,580)		(1,580)	
Common paid to Pinnacle Financial		-		-		(37)		(37)	
Balances, September 30, 2006	\$	50,000	\$	1,548	\$	-	\$	51,548	
Balances, December 31, 2006	\$	50,000	\$	1,548	\$	-	\$	51,548	
Net income		-		-		2,651		2,651	
Issuance of trust preferred securities									
Dividends:									
Trust preferred securities		-		-		(2,592)		(2,592)	
Common paid to Pinnacle Financial		-		-		(59)		(59)	
Balances, September 30, 2007	\$	50,000	\$	1,548	\$	-	\$	51,548	

In addition, the Company has investments in other entities which totaled approximately \$1,288,000 and \$66,000 at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively. These investments are reported at fair value.

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

The following is a discussion of our financial condition at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006 and our results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006. The purpose of this discussion is to focus on information about our financial condition and results of operations which is not otherwise apparent from the consolidated financial statements. The following discussion and analysis should be read along with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere herein.

#### Overview

*General.* Our rapid growth from inception through the first nine months of 2007 has had a material impact on our financial condition and results of operations. This rapid growth resulted in fully diluted net income per share for the three months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 of \$0.35 and \$0.32, respectively, and for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 of \$1.01 and \$0.84, respectively. At September 30, 2007, loans totaled \$1.731 billion, as compared to \$1.498 billion at December 31, 2006, while total deposits increased to \$1.827 billion at September 30, 2007 compared to \$1.622 billion at December 31, 2006.

Mid-America Bancshares, Inc. Acquisition. On August 15, 2007, we announced that we had entered into a definitive merger agreement to acquire all of the outstanding common stock of Mid-America Bancshares, Inc. ("Mid-America"), a two-bank holding company located in Nashville, Tennessee with approximately \$1.1 billion in assets as of September 30, 2007. Terms of the agreement call for each share of Mid-America to be exchanged for 0.4655 Pinnacle shares and \$1.50 in cash, which results in the transaction approximating 90 percent paid in PNFP shares and 10 percent paid in cash. As of the date the merger was announced, the transaction has an implied purchase price of \$196.2 million. Mid-America was formed in 2006 for the purpose of combining two high-growth community banks based in the Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin MSA: PrimeTrust Bank and Bank of the South, both founded in 2001. Subject to receipt of shareholder and regulatory approval and the satisfaction of customary closing conditions, the transaction is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2007. At that time, we estimate that we will have assets of approximately \$3.7 billion with 31 offices in nine counties, including several high-growth counties new to the Pinnacle footprint.

The aggregate consideration approximates 6.6 million shares of PNFP common stock and \$21.3 million in cash. As a result, Mid-America shareholders will own approximately 30 percent of the combined company. Including restricted shares, Mid-America had approximately 14.2 million common shares outstanding as of August 15, 2007. In order to finance the \$21.3 million cash component of the aggregate consideration, we issued approximately \$30 million in trust preferred securities on October 31, 2007 prior to the closing of the Mid-America transaction. We will use the excess funds from the trust preferred issuance for general corporate purposes. The trust preferred securities will bear a floating interest rate based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR of approximately 2.85% which is set each quarter and mature in 2037. Distributions are payable quarterly. Subject to approval by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, the trust preferred securities may be redeemed prior to maturity at our option beginning in 2012.

Systems conversions are scheduled to be completed during the first quarter of 2008. Until that time, PrimeTrust and Bank of the South will continue to operate under their current brands. PrimeTrust and Bank of the South will change their names to Pinnacle when the systems platforms of the three companies are combined.

The Mid-America acquisition will have a significant impact on our future financial condition and result of operations. Given we anticipate closing the transaction during the fourth quarter of 2007, our fourth quarter results will include Mid-America for a partial quarter's results.

Cavalry Bancorp, Inc. Acquisition. On March 15, 2006, we consummated our merger with Cavalry. Pursuant to the merger agreement, we acquired all Cavalry common stock via a tax-free exchange whereby Cavalry shareholders received a fixed exchange ratio of 0.95 shares of our common stock for each share of Cavalry common stock, or approximately 6.9 million Pinnacle Financial shares. The financial information herein includes the activities of the former Cavalry (the "Rutherford County market") since March 15, 2006.

In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 141, "Accounting for Business Combinations" ("SFAS No. 141"), SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Intangible Assets" ("SFAS No. 142") and SFAS No. 147, "Acquisition of Certain Financial Institutions" ("SFAS No. 147"), we recorded at fair value the following assets and liabilities of Cavalry as of March 15, 2006 (dollars in thousands):

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\$ 37,420
39,476
545,598
114,288
13,168
42,937
792,887
583,992
17,767
18,851
620,610
\$ 172,277

As noted above, total consideration for Cavalry approximated \$172.3 million of which \$171.1 million was in the form of our common shares and options to acquire our common shares and \$1.2 million in investment banking fees, attorney's fees and other costs related to the purchase of Cavalry. We issued 6,856,298 shares of our common stock to the former Cavalry shareholders. In accordance with EITF 99-12, "Determination of the Measurement Date for the Market Price of Acquirer Securities Issued in a Purchase Business Combination," the shares were valued at \$24.53 per common share which represents the average closing price of our common stock from the two days prior to the merger announcement on September 30, 2005 through the two days after the merger announcement. Aggregate consideration for the common stock issued was approximately \$168.2 million. Additionally, we also assumed the Cavalry Bancorp, Inc. 1999 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Cavalry Plan") pursuant to which we were obligated to issue 195,551 shares of our common stock upon exercise of stock options awarded to certain former Cavalry employees who held outstanding options as of March 15, 2006. All of these options were fully vested prior to the merger announcement date and expire at various dates between 2011 and 2012. The exercise prices for these stock options range between \$10.26 per share and \$13.68 per share. In accordance with SFAS No. 141, we considered the fair value of these options in determining the acquisition cost of Cavalry. The fair value of these vested options approximated \$2.9 million which has been included as a component of the aggregate purchase price.

In accordance with SFAS Nos. 141 and 142, we recognized \$13.2 million as a core deposit intangible in connection with our merger with Cavalry. This identified intangible is being amortized over seven years using an accelerated method which anticipates the life of the underlying deposits to which the intangible is attributable. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007, approximately \$516,000 and \$1,547,000, respectively, of amortization was recognized in the statement of income compared to \$535,000 and \$1,248,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006. Amortization expense associated with the core deposit intangible will approximate \$1.8 million to \$2.1 million per year for the next four years with lesser amounts for the remaining two years.

We also recorded other adjustments to the carrying value of Cavalry's assets and liabilities in order to reflect the fair value of those net assets in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, including a \$4.8 million discount associated with the loan portfolio, a \$2.9 million premium for Cavalry's certificates of deposit and a \$4.6 million premium for Cavalry's land and buildings. We have also recorded the corresponding deferred tax assets or liabilities associated with these adjustments. The discounts and premiums related to financial assets and liabilities will be amortized into our statements of income in future periods using a method that approximates the level yield method over the anticipated lives of the underlying financial assets or liabilities. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007, the accretion of the fair value discounts related to the acquired loans and certificates of deposit increased net interest income by approximately \$541,000 and \$2.1 million, respectively, compared to \$950,000 and \$2.38 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006, respectively. Based on the estimated useful lives of the acquired loans and deposits, we expect to recognize increases in net interest income related to accretion of

these purchase accounting adjustments of \$1.9 million for the remainder of 2007 and in subsequent years.

We also incurred approximately \$218,000 and \$1,583,000 in merger related expenses during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006, respectively, directly related to the Cavalry merger. These charges were for our integration of Cavalry and accelerated depreciation and amortization related to software and other technology assets whose useful lives were shortened as a result of the Cavalry acquisition. We do not anticipate any merger related expenses associated with the Cavalry merger in 2007.

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*Knoxville, Tennessee Expansion.* On April 9, 2007, we announced our plans to expand to the Knoxville, Tennessee, market and the hiring of two prominent veteran bankers to lead our firm in Knoxville. We have estimated that our expansion into Knoxville will result in a reduction in our net income for 2007 as we hire new associates in that market and build out our initial branch network. Our current estimates are that our Knoxville expansion will negatively impact our diluted earnings per share by a range of \$0.08 to \$0.09 in 2007.

Results of Operations. Our net interest income increased to \$19.0 million for the third quarter of 2007 compared to \$17.2 million for the third quarter of 2006. The net interest margin (the ratio of net interest income to average earning assets) for the three months ended September 30, 2007 was 3.54% compared to 3.95% for the same period in 2006. Our net interest income increased to \$53.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 compared to \$43.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The net interest margin for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 was 3.59% compared to 3.97% for the same period in 2006.

Our provision for loan losses was \$772,000 for the third quarter of 2007 compared to \$587,000 for the same period in 2006. The provision for loan losses was \$2.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 compared to \$2.7 million for the same period in 2006. Impacting the provision for loan losses in any accounting period are several matters including the amount of loan growth during the period, the level of charge-offs or recoveries incurred during the period, the results of our quarterly assessment of the inherent risks of our loan portfolio and the impact of that assessment on the level of the allowance for loan losses.

Noninterest income for the third quarter of 2007 compared to the same time period in 2006 increased by \$908,000 or 20.5%. For the first nine months of 2007, noninterest income was \$5.1 million greater than the first nine months of 2006. These increases are largely attributable to the fee businesses associated with the Cavalry acquisition, particularly with regard to service charges on deposit accounts, insurance sales commissions and trust fees.

Our continued growth during 2007 resulted in increased noninterest expense compared to 2006 due to the addition of the Rutherford County market, increases in salaries and employee benefits, equipment and occupancy expenses and other operating expenses. The number of full-time equivalent employees increased from 395.5 at September 30, 2006 to 450.5 at September 30, 2007. We expect to add additional employees during the remainder of 2007 which will cause our compensation and employee benefit expense to increase in the fourth quarter of 2007. Additionally, our branch expansion efforts and our recently announced expansion into the Knoxville, Tennessee market will result in increased operating expenses in the future.

Our efficiency ratio (the ratio of noninterest expense to the sum of net interest income and noninterest income) was 62.20% for the third quarter of 2007 compared to 60.48% for the same period in 2006. Our efficiency ratio was 61.37% for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 compared to 61.54% for the same period in 2006.

The effective income tax expense rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 was approximately 31.37% and 31.25%, respectively, compared to an effective income tax expense rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006 of approximately 32.68% and 32.68%, respectively. The slight decrease in the effective tax rate between the two periods was due to increased bank owned life insurance acquired with the Cavalry acquisition and other tax initiatives.

Net income for the third quarter of 2007 was \$5.8 million compared to \$5.3 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of 7.9%. Net income for the first nine months of 2007 was \$16.8 million compared to \$12.3 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of 36.8%. A significant portion of the increase in net income for the first nine months of 2007 when compared to 2006 is due to the Cavalry acquisition and Cavalry being included in our results for the entire 2007 period.

*Financial Condition*. Loans increased \$233.5 million during the first nine months of 2007, or 20.8% on an annualized basis. As we seek to increase our loan portfolio, we must also continue to monitor the risks inherent in our lending operations. If our allowance for loan losses is not sufficient to cover the estimated loan losses in our loan portfolio, increases to the allowance for loan losses would be required through additional provision expense which would decrease our earnings.

We have successfully grown our total deposits to \$1.827 billion at September 30, 2007 compared to \$1.622 billion at December 31, 2006, an increase of \$204.5 million. This growth in deposits had a higher funding cost due to rising rates and increased deposit pricing competition in 2007 compared to 2006. We typically adjust our loan yields at a faster rate than we adjust our deposit rates in an environment where short term rates are fluctuating. As such, unless competitive pressures dictate, our deposit funding costs do not usually adjust as quickly as do revenues from interest income on floating rate earning assets.

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Capital and Liquidity. At September 30, 2007, our capital ratios, including our bank's capital ratios, met regulatory minimum capital requirements. Additionally, at September 30, 2007, our bank would be considered to be "well-capitalized" pursuant to banking regulations. As our bank grows it will require additional capital from us over that which can be earned through operations. At September 30, 2007, we had \$19.0 million that could be transferred to Pinnacle National in order to continue to meet capital requirements. We anticipate that we will continue to use various capital raising techniques in order to support the growth of our bank.

In the past, we have been successful in procuring additional capital from the capital markets (via public and private offerings of trust preferred securities and common stock). This additional capital has been required to support our growth. As of September 30, 2007, and after giving effect to our trust preferred securities offering completed on October 31, 2007, we believe we have sufficient capital to support our current growth plans, including our expansion into the Knoxville market and our acquisition of Mid-America. However, expansion by acquisition of other banks or by branching into a new geographic market could result in issuance of additional capital, including additional common shares or trust preferred securities.

#### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

The accounting principles we follow and our methods of applying these principles conform with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and with general practices within the banking industry. In connection with the application of those principles, we have made judgments and estimates which, in the case of the determination of our allowance for loan losses, the application of SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), "Share Based Payments" ("SFAS No. 123(R)") and the assessment of impairment of the intangibles resulting from the Cavalry merger have been critical to the determination of our financial position and results of operations.

Allowance for Loan Losses ("allowance"). Our management assesses the adequacy of the allowance prior to the end of each calendar quarter. This assessment includes procedures to estimate the allowance and test the adequacy and appropriateness of the resulting balance. The level of the allowance is based upon management's evaluation of the loan portfolios, past loan loss experience, known and inherent risks in the portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay (including the timing of future payment), the estimated value of any underlying collateral, composition of the loan portfolio, economic conditions, industry and peer bank loan quality indications and other pertinent factors. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires material estimates including the amounts and timing of future cash flows expected to be received on impaired loans that may be susceptible to significant change. Loan losses are charged off when management believes that the full collectability of the loan is probable. A loan may be partially charged-off after a "confirming event" has occurred which serves to validate that full repayment pursuant to the terms of the loan is probable. Allocation of the allowance may be made for specific loans, but the entire allowance is available for any loan that, in management's judgment, is deemed to be uncollectible.

Larger balance commercial and commercial real estate loans are impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that we will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Collection of all amounts due according to the contractual terms means that both the contractual interest payments and the contractual principal payments of a loan will be collected as scheduled in the loan agreement.

An impairment loss is recognized if the present value of expected future cash flows from the loan is less than the recorded investment in the loan (recorded investment in the loan is the principal balance plus any accrued interest, net deferred loan fees or costs and unamortized premium or discount, and does not reflect any direct write-down of the investment). The impairment loss is recognized through the allowance. Loans that are impaired are recorded at the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, or if the loan is collateral dependent, impairment measurement is based on the fair value of the collateral, less estimated disposal costs. Income

is recognized on impaired loans on a cash basis.

The level of allowance maintained is believed by management to be adequate to absorb losses inherent in the portfolio at the balance sheet date. The allowance is increased by provisions charged to expense and decreased by charge-offs, net of recoveries of amounts previously charged-off.

In assessing the adequacy of the consolidated allowance, we also consider the results of our ongoing independent loan review process. We undertake this process both to ascertain whether there are loans in the portfolio whose credit quality has weakened over time and to assist in our overall evaluation of the risk characteristics of the entire loan portfolio. Our loan review process includes the judgment of management, the input from our independent loan reviewer, and reviews that may have been conducted by bank regulatory agencies as part of their usual examination process. We incorporate loan review results in the determination of whether or not it is probable that we will be able to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of a loan.

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As part of management's quarterly assessment of the allowance, management divides the loan portfolio into four segments: commercial, commercial real estate, consumer and consumer real estate. Each segment is then analyzed such that an allocation of the allowance is estimated for each loan segment.

The allowance allocation for commercial and commercial real estate loans begins with a process of estimating the probable losses inherent for these types of loans. The estimate for these loan losses is established by category and based on our internal system of credit risk ratings and historical loss data for industry and various peer bank groups. The estimated loan loss allocation rate for our internal system of credit risk grades for commercial and commercial real estate is based on management's experience with similarly graded loans, discussions with banking regulators and our internal loan review processes. We then weight the allocation methodologies for the commercial and commercial real estate portfolios and determine a weighted average allocation for these portfolios.

The allowance allocation for consumer and consumer real estate loans which includes installment, home equity, consumer mortgages, automobiles and others is established for each of the categories by estimating losses inherent in that particular category of consumer and consumer real estate loans. The estimated loan loss allocation rate for each category is based on management's experience. Additionally, consumer and consumer real estate loans are analyzed based on our actual historical loss rates, industry loss rates and loss rates of various peer bank groups. Consumer and consumer real estate loans are evaluated as a group by category (i.e. retail real estate, installment, etc.) rather than on an individual loan basis because these loans are smaller and homogeneous. We weight the allocation methodologies for the consumer and consumer real estate portfolios and determine a weighted average allocation for these portfolios.

The estimated loan loss allocation for all four loan portfolio segments is then adjusted for management's estimate of probable losses for several environmental factors. The allocation for environmental factors is particularly subjective and does not lend itself to exact mathematical calculation. This amount represents estimated inherent credit losses which may exist, but have not yet been identified, as of the balance sheet date. The allocation for those environmental factors is based upon quarterly trend assessments in delinquent and nonaccrual loans, unanticipated charge-offs, credit concentration changes, prevailing economic conditions, changes in lending personnel experience, changes in lending policies or procedures and other influencing factors. These environmental factors are considered for each of the four loan segments. The allowance allocation for each segment as determined by the respective processes noted above is increased or decreased based on the incremental assessment of these various environmental factors.

We then test the resulting allowance balance by comparing the balance in the allowance to historical trends and industry and peer information. Our management then evaluates the result of the procedures performed, including the result of our testing, and concludes on the appropriateness of the balance of the allowance in its entirety. The audit committee of our board of directors reviews the assessment prior to the filing of quarterly and annual financial information.

Share Based Payments – Our stock compensation is subject to financial accounting standards that required us to assess numerous factors including the historical volatility of our stock price, anticipated option forfeitures and estimates concerning the length of time that our options would remain unexercised. Many of these assessments impact the fair value of the underlying stock option more significantly than others and changes to these assessments in future periods could be significant.

Impairment of Intangible Assets - Long-lived assets, including purchased intangible assets subject to amortization, such as our core deposit intangible asset, are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its estimated future cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized by the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the fair value of the

asset. Assets to be disposed of would be separately presented in the balance sheet and reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell, and are no longer depreciated.

Goodwill and intangible assets that have indefinite useful lives are tested annually for impairment, and are tested for impairment more frequently if events and circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. An impairment loss is recognized to the extent that the carrying amount exceeds the asset's fair value. Our annual assessment date is September 30. Should we determine in a future period that the goodwill recorded in connection with our acquisition of Cavalry has been impaired, then a charge to our earnings will be recorded in the period such determination is made.

## **Results of Operations**

Our results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 were highlighted by the continued growth in loans and other earning assets and deposits, which resulted in increased revenues and expenses. The following is a summary of our results of operations (dollars in thousands):

	Three mor Septem		2007-2006 Percent Increase	Nine months ended September 30,			2007-2006 Percent Increase
	2007	2006	(decrease)	2007		2006	(decrease)
Interest income	\$ 38,347	\$ 31,340	22.4%	\$ 107,594	\$	76,455	40.7%
Interest							
expense	19,387	14,181	36.7%	53,891		32,894	63.8%
Net interest	10.060	17 150	10.50	52.702		12.561	22.20
income	18,960	17,159	10.5%	53,703		43,561	23.3%
Provision for loan losses	772	587	31.5%	2,460		2,680	(8.2)%
Net interest	112	367	31.370	2,400		2,000	(0.2)%
income after							
provision for							
loan losses	18,188	16,572	9.8%	51,243		40,881	25.3%
Noninterest	-,	- /		- <b>,</b> -		-,	
income	5,332	4,424	20.5%	15,909		10,852	46.6%
Noninterest							
expense:							
Merger related							
expense	-	218	(100.0)%	-		1,583	(100.0)%
Other							
noninterest	4 7 4 4 0	10.006	1= =~	10.710		24.006	22.00
expense	15,110	12,836	17.7%	42,718		31,906	33.9%
Net income							
before income	0.410	7.042	5.007	24.424		10 244	22.00/
taxes Income tax	8,410	7,942	5.9%	24,434		18,244	33.9%
	2 638	2 595	1 7%	7 634		5 963	28.0%
•	\$ •	\$ 		\$	\$	,	
expense Net income	\$ 2,638 5,772	\$ 2,595 5,347	1.7% 7.9%	\$ 7,634 16,800	\$	5,963 12,281	28.0% 36.8%

*Net Interest Income.* Net interest income represents the amount by which interest earned on various earning assets exceeds interest paid on deposits and other interest bearing liabilities and is the most significant component of our earnings. For the three months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, we recorded net interest income of \$18,960,000, and \$17,159,000 respectively, which resulted in a net interest margin of 3.54% and 3.95%. For the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, we recorded net interest income of \$53,703,000 and \$43,561,000 which resulted in a net interest margin of 3.59% and 3.97% respectively.

The following table sets forth the amount of our average balances, interest income or interest expense for each category of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities and the average interest rate for total interest-earning assets and total interest-bearing liabilities, net interest spread and net interest margin for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 (dollars in thousands):

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(dollars in thousands)			nonths end aber 30, 200		Thr Sep			
	Average Balances		Intonost	Rates/ Yields	Average Balances		Intonost	Rates/ Yields
Interest-earning assets:	Dalances	1	Interest	Heias	Daiances	1	Interest	Hetas
Loans	\$ 1,697,862	\$	32,750	7 65%	\$ 1,375,036	\$	26,771	7.72%
Securities:	Ψ 1,077,002	Ψ	32,730	7.02 70	Ψ 1,372,020	Ψ	20,771	7.7270
Taxable	268,358		3,387	5.01%	260,688		3,241	4.93%
Tax-exempt (1)	79,065		744	4.92%	56,644		521	4.81%
Federal funds sold and other	106,298		1,466	5.62%	59,191		807	5.41%
Total interest-earning assets	2,151,583	\$	38,347	7.12%	1,751,559	\$	31,340	7.14%
Nonearning assets	226,918				235,677			
Total assets	\$ 2,378,501				\$ 1,987,236			
Interest-bearing liabilities:								
Interest bearing deposits								
Interest checking	\$ 261,384	\$	2,123	3.24%	\$ 181,752	\$	1,202	2.62%
Savings and money market	544,990		4,757	3.46%	473,883		3,809	3.19%
Certificates of deposit	714,060		9,164	5.09%	598,220		6,789	4.50%
Total interest bearing deposits	1,520,434		16,044	4.19%	1,253,855		11,800	3.73%
Securities sold under								
agreements to repurchase	194,774		2,061	4.20%	122,292		1,383	4.49%
Federal Home Loan Bank								
advances and other borrowings	29,946		385	5.10%	33,299		383	4.57%
Subordinated debt	51,548		897	6.90%	36,084		615	6.75%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	1,796,702		19,387	4.28%	1,445,530		14,181	3.89%
Noninterest-bearing deposits	293,701		-	-	281,812		-	-
Total deposits and								
interest-bearing liabilities	2,090,403	\$	19,387	3.68%	1,727,342	\$	14,181	3.26%
Other liabilities	16,445				14,914			
Stockholders' equity	271,653				244,980			
	\$ 2,378,501				\$ 1,987,236			
Netinterestincome		\$	18,960			\$	17,159	
Net interest spread (2)				2.84%				3.25%
Net interest margin (3)				3.54%				3.95%

<sup>(1)</sup> Yields computed on tax-exempt instruments on a tax equivalent basis.

<sup>(2)</sup> Yields realized on interest-earning assets less the rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities.
(3) Net interest margin is the result of annualized net interest income calculated on a tax-equivalent basis divided by average interest-earning assets for the period.

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(dollars in thousands)		Sep Average		nths ended er 30, 2007	Rates/		Nine Sept Average	Rates/		
		Balances	i	Interest	Yields		Balances	I	nterest	Yields
Interest-earning assets:										
Loans	\$	1,609,200	\$	92,283	7.67%	\$	1,154,828	\$	64,196	7.43%
Securities:										
Taxable		271,017		10,128	5.00%		250,373		9,250	4.94%
Tax-exempt (1)		75,694		2,107	4.91%		50,481		1,417	4.95%
Federal funds sold and										
other		73,677		3,076	5.60%		37,120		1,592	5.73%
Total interest-earning assets		2,029,588	\$	107,594	7.14%		1,492,802	\$	76,455	6.89%
Nonearning assets		222,964					180,522			
Total assets	\$	2,252,552				\$	1,673,324			
Interest-bearing liabilities:										
Interest bearing deposits										
Interest checking	\$	253,411	\$	6,226	3.29%	\$	158,643	\$	2,533	2.13%
Savings and money market		514,080		13,121	3.41%		417,610		9,384	3.00%
Certificates of deposit		661,468		24,690	4.99%		486,642		15,297	4.20%
Total interest bearing										
deposits		1,428,959		44,037	4.12%		1,062,895		27,214	3.42%
Securities sold under										
agreements to repurchase		174,942		5,664	4.33%		83,364		2,569	4.12%
Federal Home Loan Bank										
advances and other										
borrowings		39,395		1,539	5.22%		42,708		1,495	4.67%
Subordinated debt		51,548		2,651	6.88%		32,648		1,616	6.62%
Total interest-bearing		- ,		,			- ,		,	
liabilities		1,694,844		53,891	4.25%		1,221,615		32,894	3.60%
Noninterest-bearing		2,000 1,000		,	7,20		-,,		,	2,00,75
deposits		279,935		_	_		248,448		_	_
Total deposits and		=,,,,,,					2.0,0			
interest-bearing liabilities		1,974,779	\$	53,891	3.65%		1,470,063	\$	32,894	2.99%
Other liabilities		12,714	Ψ	23,071	3.02 70		11,623	Ψ	32,071	2.55 70
Stockholders' equity		265,059					191,638			
stockholmer's equily	\$	2,252,552				\$	1,673,324			
Netinterestincome	Ψ	2,232,332	\$	53,703		Ψ	1,075,524	\$	43,561	
Net interest spread (2)			Ψ	55,105	2.89%			Ψ	15,501	3.29%
Net interest margin (3)					3.59%					3.97%
The interest margin (3)					3.37/0					3.7170

 <sup>(1)</sup> Yields computed on tax-exempt instruments on a tax equivalent basis.
 (2) Yields realized on interest-earning assets less the rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities.

<sup>(3)</sup> Net interest margin is the result of annualized net interest income calculated on a tax-equivalent basis divided by average interest-earning assets for the period.

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In comparing the decreases in the net interest margins between the three months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 and the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, the primary cause of the decreased margins was due to the continued higher rate of increase for funding costs when compared to the yield on earning assets. When comparing the three months ended September 30, 2007 to the same period in 2006, funding costs increased by 42 basis points while interest earning assets decreased by 2 basis points. The comparison for the nine month periods reflect funding costs up 70 basis points while the yield on interest earning assets increased by only 25 basis points. We believe substantially all small cap community banks are experiencing similar trends across the country. However, for Pinnacle, our absolute growth in average earning asset balances, primarily loan balances, has been large enough to overcome the negative trends in rates such that we experienced a 10.5% increase in net interest income comparing the three months ended September 30, 2007 to the same period in 2006 and 23.3% increase when comparing the nine months ended September 30, 2007 to the same period in 2006.

Other matters related to the changes in net interest income, net interest yields and rates, and net interest margin are presented below:

- •Our loan yields decreased during the third quarter of 2007 when compared to the same quarter in 2006 while they increased when comparing the nine month periods between 2007 and 2006. The decrease in the third quarter of 2007 was caused primarily by a drop in our prime lending rate as a result of the Federal Reserve's Open Market Committee dropping the benchmark Fed funds rate by 50 basis points on September 18, 2007. Our weighted average prime rate for the third quarter of 2007 was 8.18% compared to 8.25% for the same quarter of 2006 while our weighted average prime rate for the first nine months of 2007 was 8.22% compared to 7.96% in 2006. The pricing of a large portion of our loan portfolio (approximately 44.6% of total loans at September 30, 2007 compared to 47.3% at September 30, 2006) is tied to our prime rate.
- We have been able to grow our funding base significantly. For asset/liability management purposes in 2007 and 2006, we elected to allocate a greater proportion of such funds to our loan portfolio versus our securities and shorter-term investment portfolio. For the first nine months of 2007, average loan balances were 71.4% of total assets compared to 69.0% in 2006. Loans generally have higher yields than do securities and other shorter-term investments. This change in allocation contributed to the increase in the overall total interest earning asset yields between the two nine month periods.
- During the first nine months of 2007, overall deposit rates were higher than those rates for the comparable period in 2006. Changes in interest rates paid on such products as interest checking, savings and money market accounts, securities sold under agreements to repurchase and Federal funds purchased will generally increase or decrease in a manner that is consistent with changes in the short-term rate environment. During 2007, as was the case with our prime lending rate, short-term rates were higher than in 2006. We also monitor the pricing of similar products by our primary competitors. The changes in the short-term rate environment and the pricing of our primary competitors required us to increase these rates in 2007 compared to the previous periods.
- •Also impacting the net interest margin during 2007 compared to 2006 was pricing of our floating rate subordinated indebtedness which comprises approximately \$31 million of the \$52 million of subordinated indebtedness as of September 30, 2007. The interest rate charged on this indebtedness is generally higher than other funding sources. The rate charged on the floating rate portion of the indebtedness is determined in relation to the three-month LIBOR index and reprices quarterly. During 2007, the short-term interest rate environment was higher than previous years, and, as a result, the pricing for this funding source was higher in 2007.

The current shape of the yield curve represents a challenge for most banks, including Pinnacle National, as we use a significant amount of short-term funding to fund our balance sheet growth. This short-term funding comes in the form of checking accounts, savings accounts, money market accounts, short-term time deposits and securities sold under

agreements to repurchase. Rates paid on these deposits loosely correlate to the Fed funds rate and short term treasury rates. During the first nine months of 2007, the Fed funds rate has been higher than other longer term treasuries (i.e., an inverted yield curve). As a result, depositors will tend to maintain their funds in shorter-term deposit accounts where they can achieve a higher yield on their deposit balances and not concern themselves with long-term products because there is not enough rate increase for them to justify the longer maturity. Whereas in a more traditional rate environment, depositors would either accept a lesser rate for more liquid deposit accounts or choose a higher rate via a longer time deposit.

In spite of the current yield curve, we believe we will increase net interest income through overall growth in earning assets. The additional revenues provided by increased loan volumes should be sufficient to overcome any immediate increases in funding costs such that we should be able to increase our current net interest income. Even though our net interest income will likely increase, our net interest margins could decrease due to increasingly competitive deposit pricing in our market. With the action steps taken as a result of the recent Federal funds rate decrease and assuming two more further Fed funds rate reductions before the end of 2007 (including the reduction that occurred on October 31, 2007), we believe our net interest margin for the fourth quarter of 2007 should be within a range of 3.50% to 3.65%, compared to 3.54% for the third quarter of 2007.

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*Provision for Loan Losses*. The provision for loan losses represents a charge to earnings necessary to establish an allowance for loan losses that, in our management's evaluation, should be adequate to provide coverage for the inherent losses on outstanding loans. The provision for loan losses amounted to \$772,000 and \$587,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively and \$2,460,000 and \$2,680,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

Based upon our management's evaluation of the loan portfolio, we believe the allowance for loan losses to be adequate to absorb our estimate of probable losses existing in the loan portfolio at September 30, 2007. During the three month periods ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, the provision for loan losses increased by \$185,000 while during the nine month periods ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, the provision for loan losses decreased by \$220,000, respectively. These changes are primarily attributable to the changes in the levels of nonperforming loans, past due loans, risk grades, net charge-off levels and loan volumes during the respective periods.

Based upon management's assessment of the loan portfolio, we adjust our allowance for loan losses to an amount deemed appropriate to adequately cover inherent risks in the loan portfolio. While our policies and procedures used to estimate the allowance for loan losses, as well as the resultant provision for loan losses charged to operations, are considered adequate by our management and are reviewed from time to time by our regulators, they are necessarily approximate and imprecise. There exist factors beyond our control, such as general economic conditions both locally and nationally, which may negatively impact, materially, the adequacy of our allowance for loan losses and, thus, the resulting provision for loan losses.

Noninterest Income. Our noninterest income is composed of several components, some of which vary significantly between quarterly periods. Service charges on deposit accounts and other noninterest income generally reflect our growth, while investment services and fees from the origination of mortgage loans will often reflect market conditions and fluctuate from period to period. The opportunities for recognition of gains on loans and loan participations sold and gains on sales of investment securities may also vary widely from quarter to quarter and year to year.

The following is the makeup of our noninterest income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 (dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,				2007-2006 Percent Increase		Nine mon Septem	2007-2006 Percent Increase		
		2007		2006	(decrease)		2007		2006	(decrease)
Noninterest income:										
Service charges on deposit										
accounts	\$	1,966	\$	1,357	44.9%	\$	5,683	\$	3,152	80.3%
Investment sales commissions		869		645	34.7%		2,454		1,811	35.5%
Gains on sales of loans and										
loan participations, net:										
Fees from the origination and										
sale of mortgage loans, net of										
sales commissions		360		388	(7.2)%		1,151		1,061	8.5%
Gains on loan participations										
sold, net		19		102	(81.4)%		230		224	2.7%
Insurance sales commissions		563		550	2.4%		1,829		1,563	17.0%
Gain on sale of investment										
securities, net		-		-	-		-		-	-
Trust fees		467		312	49.7%		1,312		676	94.1%

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Other noninterest income:						
Letters of credit fees	68	147	(53.7)%	170	368	(53.8)%
Bank-owned life insurance	132	126	4.8%	403	281	43.4%
ATM, check card and						
merchant card fees	743	615	20.8%	2,052	1,114	84.2%
Equity in earnings of						
Collateral Plus, LLC	20	11	81.8%	109	80	36.3%
Other noninterest income	125	171	(26.9)%	516	522	(1.1)%
Total noninterest income	\$ 5,332	\$ 4,424	20.5% \$	15,909	\$ 10,852	46.6%

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Service charge income for 2007 increased over that of 2006 due to increased volumes from our Rutherford County market and an increase in the number of Nashville deposit accounts subject to service charges. We increased the number of customers utilizing overdraft protection and we increased our per item insufficient fund charge by approximately 13%, which also contributed to the increase in service charge revenue in 2007.

Also included in noninterest income are commissions and fees from our financial advisory unit, Pinnacle Asset Management, a division of Pinnacle National. At September 30, 2007, Pinnacle Asset Management was receiving commissions and fees in connection with approximately \$590 million in brokerage assets held with Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. compared to \$597 million at December 31, 2006. Additionally, following our merger with Cavalry, we now offer trust services through Pinnacle National's trust division. At September 30, 2007, our trust department was receiving fees on approximately \$512 million in assets compared to \$380 million at December 31, 2006. Also, following our merger with Cavalry, we offer insurance services through Miller and Loughry Insurance and Services, Inc. which resulted in insurance sales commissions to Pinnacle National.

Mortgage related fees also contributed to the increase in noninterest income between the nine month periods in 2007 and 2006. These mortgage fees are for loans originated in both the Nashville and Rutherford County markets that are subsequently sold to third-party investors. All of these loan sales transfer servicing rights to the buyer. Generally, mortgage origination fees increase in lower interest rate environments and decrease in rising interest rate environments. As a result, mortgage origination fees may fluctuate greatly in response to a changing rate environment.

We also sell certain commercial loan participations to our correspondent banks. Such sales are primarily related to new lending transactions in excess of internal loan limits or industry concentration limits. At September 30, 2007 and pursuant to participation agreements with these correspondents, we had participated approximately \$125.4 million of originated loans to these other banks compared to \$95.4 million at December 31, 2006. These participation agreements have various provisions regarding collateral position, pricing and other matters. Many of these agreements provide that we pay the correspondent less than the loan's contracted interest rate. Pursuant to SFAS No. 140, "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities — a replacement of FASB Statement No. 125," in those transactions whereby the correspondent is receiving a lesser amount of interest than the amount owed by the customer, we record a net gain along with a corresponding asset representing the present value of our net retained cash flows. The resulting asset is amortized over the term of the loan. Conversely, should a loan be paid prior to maturity, any remaining unamortized asset is charged as a reduction to gains on loan participations sold. We recorded net gains, related to the aforementioned retained cash flow asset, of \$19,000 and \$31,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively, and \$230,000 and \$224,000 during the first nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 related to the loan participation transactions. We intend to maintain relationships with our correspondents in order to sell participations in future loans to these or other correspondents primarily due to limitations on loans to a single borrower or industry concentrations. In any event, the timing of participations may cause the level of gains, if any, to vary significantly.

Included in other noninterest income are miscellaneous consumer fees, such as ATM revenues, merchant card and other electronic banking revenues. We experienced a significant increase in these revenues in 2007 compared to 2006 due primarily to the merger with Cavalry.

Additionally, noninterest income from the cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance increased significantly between the first nine months of 2007 and the first nine months of 2006. In connection with the Cavalry merger, we became the owner and beneficiary of several life insurance policies on former Cavalry executives. These policies were acquired by Cavalry in connection with a supplemental retirement plan for these former Cavalry executives.

*Noninterest Expense*. Noninterest expense consists of compensation and employee benefits, equipment and occupancy expenses, and other operating expenses. The following is the makeup of our noninterest expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006 (dollars in thousands):

		ree moi Septem	ended 30,	2007-2006 Percent Increase		Nine mon Septem		2007-2006 Percent Increase
	20	007	2006	(decrease)		2007	2006	(decrease)
Noninterest expense:								
Compensation and employee								
benefits:								
Salaries	\$	6,042	\$ 4,964	21.7%	\$	17,215	\$ 12,752	35.0%
Commissions		456	331	37.8%		1,246	890	40.0%
Other compensation, primarily								
incentives		1,154	1,279	(9.8)%	ó	3,389	2,999	13.0%
Employee benefits and other		1,455	1,002	45.2%		4,317	2,674	61.4%
Total compensation and								
employee benefits		9,107	7,576	20.2%		26,167	19,315	35.5%
Equipment and occupancy		2,632	2,071	27.1%		7,210	5,325	35.4%
Marketing and business								
development		375	351	6.8%		1,057	900	17.4%
Postage and supplies		474	488	(2.9)%	ó	1,453	1,118	30.0%
Amortization of core deposit								
intangible		516	535	(3.6)%	ó	1,547	1,248	24.0%
Other noninterest expense:								
Accounting and auditing		395	143	176.2%		816	616	32.6%
Consultants, including								
independent loan review		33	58	(43.1)%	ó	172	222	(22.5)%
Legal, including								
borrower-related charges		85	47	80.9%		308	103	199.0%
OCC exam fees		104	73	42.5%		255	187	36.4%
Directors' fees		64	52	23.1%		182	178	2.2%
Insurance, including FDIC								
assessments		380	189	101.1%		1,032	465	121.9%
Charitable contributions		95	56	69.6%		286	163	75.5%
Other professional fees		24	25	(4.0)%	ó	102	62	64.5%
Other noninterest expense		826	1,172	(29.5)%	ó	2,130	2,004	6.3%
Total other noninterest								
expense		2,006	1,815	10.5%		5,283	4,000	32.1%
Merger related expense		-	218	(100.0)%	ó	-	1,583	(100.0)%
Total noninterest expense	\$ 1	15,110	\$ 13,054	15.7%	\$	42,718	\$ 33,489	27.6%
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Expenses have generally increased between the above periods due to our merger with Cavalry, personnel additions occurring throughout each period, the continued development of our branch network and other expenses which increase in relation to our growth rate. We anticipate continued increases in our expenses in the future for such items as additional personnel, the opening of additional branches, audit expenses and other expenses which tend to increase in relation to our growth. For the three months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, approximately \$451,000 and \$285,000, respectively, and for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, approximately \$1,253,000 and \$690,000, respectively, of compensation expense related to stock options and restricted share awards is included in other incentive compensation expense.

At September 30, 2007, we employed 450.5 full time equivalent employees compared to 404.0 at December 31, 2006. We intend to continue to add employees in both the Nashville and Knoxville markets to our work force for the foreseeable future, which will cause our salary costs to increase in future periods.

We believe that variable pay incentives are a valuable tool in motivating an employee base that is focused on providing our clients effective financial advice and increasing shareholder value. As a result, and unlike many other financial institutions, substantially all of our employees are eligible to participate in an annual cash incentive plan. Under the plan, the targeted level of incentive payments requires the Company to achieve a certain targeted earnings per share. To the extent that actual earnings per share are above or below targeted earnings per share, the aggregate incentive payments are increased or decreased.

Included in the salary and employee benefits amounts for the three months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, were \$503,000 and \$1,105,000, respectively, and for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, were \$1,674,000 and \$2,859,000, respectively, related to variable cash awards. This expense will fluctuate from year to year and quarter to quarter based on the estimation of achievement of performance targets and the increase in the number of associates eligible to receive the award. Based on our current earnings forecast for 2007, we have anticipated a cash award to qualifying associates equal to 30%-40% of their targeted award and consequently we have recorded incentive expense of 30%-40% of the targeted award for the first nine months of 2007. We will continue to review our anticipated 2007 cash incentive expense throughout 2007 which may require us to increase or decrease the anticipated award above or below the 30%-40% amount at September 30, 2007 based on the new estimate. For the nine months ended September 30, 2006, the anticipated award to be paid to associates equaled 100% of their targeted award. The incentive plan for 2007 is structured similarly to prior year plans in that the award is based on the achievement of soundness and earnings objectives. Additionally, our Human Resources and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors has the ability to change the parameters of the variable cash award at any time prior to final distribution of the awards in order to take into account current events and circumstances and maximize the benefit of the awards to our firm and to the associates.

Equipment and occupancy expenses in the third quarter of 2007 were greater than the third quarter of 2006 amount by 27.1% primarily due to increased operating costs and the opening of the Donelson branch in Nashville during the first quarter of 2007 and the Knoxville expansion during the second quarter of 2007. Equipment and occupancy expenses in the first half of 2007 were greater than the same period in 2006 amount by 35.4% primarily due to the additional branches and equipment acquired with the Cavalry merger. These branch additions and our planned expansion into the Knoxville market will contribute toward an increase in our equipment and occupancy expenses throughout 2007 and future periods.

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Marketing and other business development and postage and supplies expenses are higher in 2007 compared to 2006 due to increases in the number of customers and prospective customers; increases in the number of customer contact personnel and the corresponding increases in customer entertainment; and increases in other business development expenses. The addition of customers from the Cavalry merger had a direct impact on these increased charges.

Included in noninterest expense for the third quarter of 2007 and 2006 is \$516,000 and \$535,000, respectively, and for the first nine months of 2007 and 2006 is \$1,547,000 and \$1,248,000, respectively, of amortization of the core deposit intangible. This identified intangible is being amortized over seven years using an accelerated method which anticipates the life of the underlying deposits to which the intangible is attributable. Amortization expense associated with the core deposit intangible will approximate \$1.8 million to \$2.1 million per year for the next four years with lesser amounts for the remaining two years. Additionally, for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, we incurred \$1,583,000 of merger related expenses directly associated with the Cavalry merger. The merger related charges consisted of integration costs incurred in connection with the merger, including accelerated depreciation associated with software and other technology assets whose useful lives were shortened as a result of the Cavalry acquisition. We do not anticipate any additional merger related expenses associated with the Cavalry transaction in 2007.

Other noninterest expenses increased 10.5% in the third quarter of 2007 when compared to 2006 and 32.1% in the first nine months of 2007 over 2006. Most of these increases are attributable to increased contributions, professional fees and expenses associated with our wholly-owned subsidiary PNFP Insurance, which was formed in late 2006. Additionally, during 2007, the growth we have experienced in deposit balances and the FDIC increasing the assessment for deposit insurance coverage also contributed to the increase in other expenses during 2007 when compared to 2006.

Our efficiency ratio (ratio of noninterest expense to the sum of net interest income and noninterest income) was 62.20% for the third quarter of 2007 compared to 60.48% in the third quarter 2006 and 61.37% for the first nine months of 2007 compared to 61.54% in 2006. The efficiency ratio measures the amount of expense that is incurred to generate a dollar of revenue.

#### **Financial Condition**

Total assets grew to \$2.368 billion at September 30, 2007 from \$2.142 billion at December 31, 2006 based entirely on organic growth.

*Loans*. The composition of loans at September 30, 2007 and at December 31, 2006 and the percentage (%) of each classification to total loans are summarized as follows (dollars in thousands):

	September	30, 2007	December	31, 2006
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Commercial real estate - Mortgage	\$ 315,340	18.2%	\$ 284,302	19.0%
Commercial real estate - Construction	176,131	10.2%	161,903	10.8%
Commercial - Other	780,341	45.1%	608,530	40.6%
Total commercial	1,271,812	73.5%	1,054,735	70.4%
Consumer real estate - Mortgage	297,360	17.2%	299,627	20.0%
Consumer real estate - Construction	112,890	6.5%	91,194	6.1%
Consumer – Other	49,184	2.8%	52,179	3.5%
Total consumer	459,434	26.5%	443,000	29.6%
Total loans	\$ 1,731,246	100.0%	\$ 1,497,735	100.0%

During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, our loan balances increased by \$233.5 million, or 20.8% on an annualized basis. As noted above, we have increased the percentage of commercial loans to total loans during the nine months ended September 30, 2007. Most of this increase was in our commercial-other portfolio (i.e., commercial and industrial loans). Although the percentage of commercial real estate loans in relation to total loans has decreased slightly, we have increased the balances of our commercial real estate loans with much of this increase attributable to owner-occupied mortgage loans, build-to-suit commercial loans and owner-occupied construction loans. The increase in owner-occupied lending has been offset by decreases in loans to real estate developers, primarily due to the broader economy and developers avoiding increases in inventories. Additionally, during the nine months ended September 30, 2007, the percentage of consumer mortgage loan portfolio to total loans decreased by 2.8%. Although the consumer real estate market in the Nashville MSA has generally remained exceptionally strong, we believe this decrease is due to the impact of higher consumer mortgage rates and a general reduction in consumer real estate activity in 2007 when compared to last year.

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We periodically analyze our commercial loan portfolio to determine if a concentration of credit risk exists to any one or more industries. We use broadly accepted industry classification systems in order to classify borrowers into various industry classifications. As a result, we have a credit exposure (loans outstanding plus unfunded commitments) exceeding 25% of Pinnacle National's total risk-based capital to borrowers in the following industries at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006 (dollars in thousands):

At	Sept	ember	30.	2007
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	P	tstanding rincipal alances	 nfunded mitments	Total xposure	Ex <sub>]</sub>	Total posure at ecember 1, 2006
Trucking industry	\$	70,816	\$ 25,802	\$ 96,618	\$	89,862
Lessors of nonresidential buildings		141,366	16,672	158,038		133,504
Lessors of residential buildings		62,031	9,373	71,404		65,791
Land subdividers		117,267	55,707	172,974		164,535
New housing operative builders		140,334	84,951	225,285		192,373

The following table classifies our fixed and variable rate loans at September 30, 2007 according to contractual maturities of (1) one year or less, (2) after one year through five years, and (3) after five years. The table also classifies our variable rate loans pursuant to the contractual repricing dates of the underlying loans (dollars in thousands):

<b>Amounts</b>	at	Soi	ntoml	hor	30	2007
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Based on contractual maturity:	Fixed Rates	Ţ	Variable Rates	Totals	At September 30, 2007	At December 31, 2006
Due within one year	\$ 97,583	\$	632,688	\$ 730,271	42.2%	40.9%
Due in one year to five years	494,933		208,466	703,399	40.6%	39.9%
Due after five years	81,913		215,662	297,575	17.2%	19.2%
Totals	\$ 674,429	\$	1,056,816	\$ 1,731,245	100.0%	100.0%
Based on contractual repricing dates:						
Daily floating rate	\$ -	\$	771,707	\$ 771,707	44.6%	46.1%
Due within one year	97,583		214,701	312,284	18.0%	13.6%
Due in one year to five years	494,933		57,644	552,577	31.9%	34.2%
Due after five years	81,913		12,764	94,677	5.5%	6.1%
Totals	\$ 674,429	\$	1,056,816	\$ 1,731,245	100.0%	100.0%

The above information does not consider the impact of scheduled principal payments. Daily floating rate loans are tied to Pinnacle National's prime lending rate or a national interest rate index with the underlying loan rates changing in relation to changes in these indexes.

*Non-Performing Assets.* The specific economic and credit risks associated with our loan portfolio include, but are not limited to, a general downturn in the economy which could affect employment rates in our market area, general real estate market deterioration, interest rate fluctuations, deteriorated or non-existent collateral, title defects, inaccurate appraisals, financial deterioration of borrowers, fraud, and any violation of laws and regulations.

We attempt to reduce these economic and credit risks by adherence to loan to value guidelines for collateralized loans, by investigating the creditworthiness of the borrower and by monitoring the borrower's financial position. Also, we establish and periodically review our lending policies and procedures. Banking regulations limit our exposure by prohibiting loan relationships that exceed 15% of Pinnacle National's statutory capital in the case of loans that are not fully secured by readily marketable or other permissible types of collateral. Furthermore, we have an internal limit for aggregate indebtedness to a single borrower of \$15 million. Our loan policy requires that our board of directors approve any relationships that exceed this internal limit.

We discontinue the accrual of interest income when (1) there is a significant deterioration in the financial condition of the borrower and full repayment of principal and interest is not expected or (2) the principal or interest is more than 90 days past due, unless the loan is both well-secured and in the process of collection. At September 30, 2007, we had \$2,364,000 in loans on nonaccrual compared to \$7,070,000 at December 31, 2006. The decrease in nonperforming loans between September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006 was primarily related to borrower payments received during the nine months ended September 30, 2007.

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At September 30, 2007, we owned \$878,000 in real estate which we had acquired, usually through foreclosure, from borrowers compared to \$995,000 at December 31, 2006. Substantially all of these amounts relate to homes that are in various stages of construction for which we believe we have adequate collateral.

There was \$633,000 of other loans 90 past due and still accruing interest at September 30, 2007 compared to \$737,000 at December 31, 2006. At September 30, 2007 and at December 31, 2006, no loans were deemed to be restructured loans. The following table is a summary of our nonperforming assets at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006 (dollars in thousands):

	At	September		
		30,	A	At Dec. 31,
		2007		2006
Nonaccrual loans (1)	\$	2,364	\$	7,070
Restructured loans		-		-
Other real estate owned		878		995
Total nonperforming assets		3,242		8,065
Accruing loans past due 90 days or more		633		737
Total nonperforming assets and accruing loans past due 90 days or				
more	\$	3,875	\$	8,802
Total loans outstanding	\$	1,731,245	\$	1,497,735
Ratio of nonperforming assets and accruing loans past due 90 days or				
more to total loans outstanding at end of period		0.22%	)	0.59%
Ratio of nonperforming assets and accruing loans past 90 days or				
more to total allowance for loan losses at end of period		21.55%		54.61%

<sup>(1)</sup> Interest income that would have been recorded during the nine months ended September 30, 2007 related to nonaccrual loans was \$108,000.

Potential problem assets, which are not included in nonperforming assets, amounted to approximately \$10.4 million or 0.40% of total loans outstanding at September 30, 2007, compared to \$6.0 million, or 0.24% of total loans outstanding at December 31, 2006. Potential problem assets represent those assets with a potential weakness or a well-defined weakness and where information about possible credit problems of borrowers has caused management to have doubts about the borrower's ability to comply with present repayment terms. This definition is believed to be substantially consistent with the standards established by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), Pinnacle National's primary regulator for loans classified as substandard.

Allowance for Loan Losses (allowance). We maintain the allowance at a level that our management deems appropriate to adequately cover the inherent risks in the loan portfolio. As of September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, our allowance for loan losses was \$17,978,000 and \$16,118,000, respectively, which our management deemed to be adequate at each of the respective dates. The increase in our allowance was primarily the result of increases in loan balances and net charge-offs for the nine months ended September 30, 2007. The judgments and estimates associated with our allowance determination are described under "Critical Accounting Estimates" above.

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Approximately 73.5% of our loan portfolio at September 30, 2007 consisted of commercial loans compared to 70.4% at December 31, 2006. The following table sets forth, based on management's best estimate, the allocation of the allowance to types of loans as well as the unallocated portion as of September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006 and the percentage of loans in each category to the total loans (dollars in thousands):

		September	30, 2007	Decemb	ber 31, 2006
	$\boldsymbol{A}$	mount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Commercial real estate - Mortgage	\$	4,919	18.2%	\$ 4,550	19.0%
Commercial real estate - Construction		2,748	10.2%	2,591	10.8%
Commercial - Other		8,089	45.1%	6,517	40.6%
Total commercial		15,756	73.5%	13,658	70.4%
Consumer real estate - Mortgage		761	17.2%	913	20.0%
Consumer real estate - Construction		289	6.5%	278	6.1%
Consumer - Other		820	2.8%	870	3.5%
Total consumer		1,870	26.5%	2,061	29.6%
Unallocated		352	NA	399	NA
Total allowance for loan losses	\$	17,978	100.0%	\$ 16,118	100.0%

The following is a summary of changes in the allowance for loan losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and for the year ended December 31, 2006 and the ratio of the allowance for loan losses to total loans as of the end of each period (dollars in thousands):

Se	ptember 30, 2007	D	ecember 31, 2006
\$	16,118	\$	7,858
	2,460		3,732
	-		5,102
	(22)		-
	(135)		-
	(118)		(436)
	(334)		(46)
	-		-
	(201)		(336)
	(810)		(818)
	-		-
	1		-
	41		166
	125		-
	-		-
	43		78
	210		244
	(600)		(574)
\$	17,978	\$	16,118
	1.04%		1.08%
	\$	2007 \$ 16,118	30, 2007 \$ 16,118 \$ 2,460 - (22) (135) (118) (334) - (201) (810) - 1 41 125 - 43 210 (600)

Ratio of net charge-offs (\*) to average loans outstanding for the period

0.05%

0.05%

(\*) Net charge-offs for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 have been annualized.

As noted in our critical accounting policies, management assesses the adequacy of the allowance prior to the end of each calendar quarter. This assessment includes procedures to estimate the allowance and test the adequacy and appropriateness of the resulting balance. The level of the allowance is based upon management's evaluation of the loan portfolios, past loan loss experience, known and inherent risks in the portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay (including the timing of future payment), the estimated value of any underlying collateral, composition of the loan portfolio, economic conditions, industry and peer bank loan quality indications and other pertinent factors. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires material estimates including the amounts and timing of future cash flows expected to be received on impaired loans that may be susceptible to significant change. Although the allowance increased by \$1.86 million between September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, the ratio of our allowance for loan losses to total loans outstanding decreased to 1.04% at September 30, 2007 compared to 1.08% at December 31, 2006. The reduction in the ratio between the two dates is primarily attributable to improvements in certain of our credit quality measurements, including our level of nonperforming loans, past due loans, and other matters. In the future, the allowance to total loans outstanding ratio will increase or decrease to the extent the factors that influence our quarterly allowance assessment in their entirety either improve or weaken.

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*Investments*. Our investment portfolio, consisting primarily of Federal agency bonds, state and municipal securities and mortgage-backed securities, amounted to \$352 million and \$346 million at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively. Our investment portfolio serves many purposes including serving as a stable source of income, collateral for public funds and as a liquidity source. A statistical comparison of our entire investment portfolio at September 30, 2007 and at December 31, 2006 is as follows:

	September 30,	September 30, December 31,		
	2007	2006		
Weighted average life	4.56 years	4.93 years		
Weighted average coupon	4.651%	4.85%		
Tax equivalent yield	5.07%	5.01%		

Deposits and Other Borrowings. We had approximately \$1.827 billion of deposits at September 30, 2007 compared to \$1.622 billion at December 31, 2006. Our deposits consist of noninterest and interest-bearing demand accounts, savings accounts, money market accounts and time deposits. Additionally, we entered into agreements with certain customers to sell certain of our securities under agreements to repurchase the security the following day. These agreements (which are typically associated with comprehensive treasury management programs for our clients and provide them with short-term returns for their excess funds) amounted to \$145.0 million at September 30, 2007 and \$141.0 million at December 31, 2006. Additionally, at September 30, 2007, we had borrowed \$35.7 million in advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati compared to \$53.7 million at December 31, 2006.

Generally, banks classify their funding base as either core funding or non-core funding. Core funding consists of all deposits other than time deposits issued in denominations of \$100,000 or greater. All other funding is deemed to be non-core. During the first nine months of 2007, our core funding has decreased from 63.3% of total funding at December 31, 2006 to 61.4% at September 30, 2007. This decease is caused by the rapid growth in loans such that we were not able to fund with core funding, but with non-core funding primarily brokered deposits and other time deposits. We believe we will continue to have rapid growth in our loan balances such that core funding may continue to decrease slightly over the next several quarters. The following table represents the balances of our deposits and other fundings and the percentage of each type to the total at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006 (dollars in thousands):

	S	September			
		<i>30</i> ,	Ì	December 31,	
		2007	Percent	2006	Percent
Core funding:					
Noninterest-bearing deposit accounts	\$	316,542	15.2%	\$ 300,978	16.1%
Interest-bearing demand accounts		254,959	12.3%	236,674	12.7%
Savings and money market accounts		538,976	25.9%	485,936	26.0%
Time deposit accounts less than \$100,000		166,983	8.0%	158,687	8.5%
Total core funding		1,277,460	61.4%	1,182,275	63.3%
Non-core funding:					
Time deposit accounts greater than					
\$100,000					
Public funds		82,057	3.9%	98,286	5.3%
Brokered deposits		147,249	7.1%	61,718	3.3%
Other time deposits		320,118	15.2%	280,132	15.0%
Securities sold under agreements to					
repurchase		145,332	7.0%	141,016	7.5%
		55,671	2.7%	53,726	2.9%

Federal Home Loan Bank advances and

Federal funds purchased

Subordinated debt	51,548	2.7%	51,548	2.8%
Total non-core funding	801,975	38.6%	686,426	36.7%
Totals	\$ 2,079,435	100.0%	\$ 1,868,701	100.0%

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The amount of time deposits as of September 30, 2007 amounted to \$716.4 million. The following table shows our time deposits in denominations of under \$100,000 and those of denominations of \$100,000 and greater by category based on time remaining until maturity of (1) three months or less, (2) over three but less than six months, (3) over six but less than twelve months and (4) over twelve months and the weighted average rate for each category (dollars in thousands):

D	]	Balances	Weighted Avg. Rate
<u>Denominations less than \$100,000</u>	ф	22.221	4.750
Three months or less	\$	32,231	4.75%
Over three but less than six months		45,729	4.82%
Over six but less than twelve months		53,224	4.81%
Over twelve months		35,799	4.77%
		166,983	4.79%
Denomination \$100,000 and greater			
Three months or less		166,853	5.18%
Over three but less than six months		105,075	5.04%
Over six but less than twelve months		132,530	5.07%
Over twelve months		144,966	5.12%
		549,424	5.11%
Totals	\$	716,407	5.03%

Subordinated debt. On December 29, 2003, we established PNFP Statutory Trust I; on September 15, 2005 we established PNFP Statutory Trust II; and on September 7, 2006 we established PNFP Statutory Trust III ("Trust I"; "Trust III" or collectively, the "Trusts"). All are wholly-owned statutory business trusts. We are the sole sponsor of the Trusts and acquired each Trust's common securities for \$310,000; \$619,000 and \$619,000, respectively. The Trusts were created for the exclusive purpose of issuing 30-year capital trust preferred securities ("Trust Preferred Securities") in the aggregate amount of \$10,000,000 for Trust I; \$20,000,000 for Trust II and \$20,000,000 for Trust III and using the proceeds to acquire junior subordinated debentures ("Subordinated Debentures") issued by Pinnacle Financial. The sole assets of the Trusts are the Subordinated Debentures. Our \$1,548,000 investment in the Trusts is included in investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and our \$51,548,000 obligation is reflected as subordinated debt.

The Trust I Preferred Securities bear a floating interest rate based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR (8.49% at September 30, 2007) which is set each quarter and matures on December 30, 2033. The Trust II Preferred Securities bear a fixed interest rate of 5.848% per annum thru September 30, 2010 after which time the securities will bear a floating rate set each quarter based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR. The Trust II securities mature on September 30, 2035. The Trust III Preferred Securities bear a floating interest rate based on a spread over 3-month LIBOR (6.88% at September 30, 2007) which is set each quarter and mature on September 30, 2036.

Distributions are payable quarterly. The Trust Preferred Securities are subject to mandatory redemption upon repayment of the Subordinated Debentures at their stated maturity date or their earlier redemption in an amount equal to their liquidation amount plus accumulated and unpaid distributions to the date of redemption. We guarantee the payment of distributions and payments for redemption or liquidation of the Trust Preferred Securities to the extent of funds held by the Trusts. Pinnacle Financial's obligations under the Subordinated Debentures together with the guarantee and other back-up obligations, in the aggregate, constitute a full and unconditional guarantee by Pinnacle Financial of the obligations of the Trusts under the Trust Preferred Securities.

The Subordinated Debentures are unsecured; bear interest at a rate equal to the rates paid by the Trusts on the Trust Preferred Securities and mature on the same dates as those noted above for the Trust Preferred Securities. Interest is payable quarterly. We may defer the payment of interest at any time for a period not exceeding 20 consecutive quarters provided that the deferral period does not extend past the stated maturity. During any such deferral period, distributions on the Trust Preferred Securities will also be deferred and our ability to pay dividends on our common shares will be restricted.

Subject to approval by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, the Trust Preferred Securities may be redeemed prior to maturity at our option on or after September 17, 2008 for Trust I; on or after September 30, 2010 for Trust II and September 30, 2011 for Trust III. The Trust Preferred Securities may also be redeemed at any time and upon payment in certain cases of a redemption premium, in whole (but not in part) in the event of unfavorable changes in laws or regulations that result in (1) the Trust becoming subject to Federal income tax on income received on the Subordinated Debentures, (2) interest payable by the parent company on the Subordinated Debentures becoming non-deductible for Federal tax purposes, (3) the requirement for the Trust to register under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, or (4) loss of the ability to treat the Trust Preferred Securities as "Tier I capital" under the Federal Reserve capital adequacy guidelines.

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The Trust Preferred Securities for the Trusts qualify as Tier I capital under current regulatory definitions subject to certain limitations.

Capital Resources. At September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, our stockholders' equity amounted to \$274.6 million and \$256.0 million, respectively, or an increase of \$18.6 million. This increase was primarily attributable to \$16.4 million in comprehensive income for the nine months ended September 30, 2007, which was composed of \$16.8 million in net income together with \$0.4 million of net unrealized holding losses associated with our available-for-sale portfolio.

*Dividends*. Pinnacle National is subject to restrictions on the payment of dividends to Pinnacle Financial under Federal banking laws and the regulations of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. We, in turn, are also subject to limits on payment of dividends to our shareholders by the laws of the State of Tennessee. We have not paid any dividends to date, nor do we anticipate paying dividends to our shareholders for the foreseeable future. Future dividend policy will depend on Pinnacle National's earnings, capital position, financial condition and other factors.

## Market and Liquidity Risk Management

Our objective is to manage assets and liabilities to provide a satisfactory, consistent level of profitability within the framework of established liquidity, loan, investment, borrowing, and capital policies. Our Asset Liability Management Committee ("ALCO") is charged with the responsibility of monitoring these policies, which are designed to ensure acceptable composition of asset/liability mix. Two critical areas of focus for ALCO are interest rate sensitivity and liquidity risk management.

Interest Rate Sensitivity. In the normal course of business, we are exposed to market risk arising from fluctuations in interest rates. ALCO measures and evaluates the interest rate risk so that we can meet customer demands for various types of loans and deposits. ALCO determines the most appropriate amounts of on-balance sheet and off-balance sheet items. Measurements which we use to help us manage interest rate sensitivity include an earnings simulation model and an economic value of equity model. These measurements are used in conjunction with competitive pricing analysis.

Earnings simulation model. We believe that interest rate risk is best measured by our earnings simulation modeling. Forecasted levels of earning assets, interest-bearing liabilities, and off-balance sheet financial instruments are combined with ALCO forecasts of interest rates for the next 12 months and are combined with other factors in order to produce various earnings simulations. To limit interest rate risk, we have guidelines for our earnings at risk which seek to limit the variance of net interest income to less than a 20 percent decline for a 300 basis point change up or down in rates from management's flat interest rate forecast over the next twelve months; to less than a 10 percent decline for a 200 basis point change up or down in rates from management's flat interest rate forecast over the next twelve months; and to less than a 5 percent decline for a 100 basis point change up or down in rates from management's flat interest rate forecast over the next twelve months. The results of our current simulation model would indicate that we are in compliance with our current guidelines at September 30, 2007.

Economic value of equity. Our economic value of equity model measures the extent that estimated economic values of our assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet items will change as a result of interest rate changes. Economic values are determined by discounting expected cash flows from assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet items, which establishes a base case economic value of equity. To help limit interest rate risk, we have a guideline stating that for an instantaneous 300 basis point change in interest rates up or down, the economic value of equity should not decrease by more than 30 percent from the base case; for a 200 basis point instantaneous change in interest rates up or down, the economic value of equity should not decrease by more than 20 percent; and for a 100 basis point instantaneous change in interest rates up or down, the economic value of equity should not decrease by more than 10 percent. The results

of our current economic value of equity model would indicate that we are in compliance with our current guidelines at September 30, 2007.

Each of the above analyses may not, on its own, be an accurate indicator of how our net interest income will be affected by changes in interest rates. Income associated with interest-earning assets and costs associated with interest-bearing liabilities may not be affected uniformly by changes in interest rates. In addition, the magnitude and duration of changes in interest rates may have a significant impact on net interest income. For example, although certain assets and liabilities may have similar maturities or periods of repricing, they may react in different degrees to changes in market interest rates. Interest rates on certain types of assets and liabilities fluctuate in advance of changes in general market rates, while interest rates on other types may lag behind changes in general market rates. In addition, certain assets, such as adjustable rate mortgage loans, have features (generally referred to as "interest rate caps and floors") which limit changes in interest rates. Prepayment and early withdrawal levels also could deviate significantly from those assumed in calculating the maturity of certain instruments. The ability of many borrowers to service their debts also may decrease during periods of rising interest rates. ALCO reviews each of the above interest rate sensitivity analyses along with several different interest rate scenarios as part of its responsibility to provide a satisfactory, consistent level of profitability within the framework of established liquidity, loan, investment, borrowing, and capital policies.

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We may also use derivative financial instruments to improve the balance between interest-sensitive assets and interest-sensitive liabilities and as one tool to manage our interest rate sensitivity while continuing to meet the credit and deposit needs of our customers. At September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, we had not entered into any derivative contracts to assist managing our interest rate sensitivity.

Liquidity Risk Management. The purpose of liquidity risk management is to ensure that there are sufficient cash flows to satisfy loan demand, deposit withdrawals, and our other needs. Traditional sources of liquidity for a bank include asset maturities and growth in core deposits. A bank may achieve its desired liquidity objectives from the management of its assets and liabilities and by internally generated funding through its operations. Funds invested in marketable instruments that can be readily sold and the continuous maturing of other earning assets are sources of liquidity from an asset perspective. The liability base provides sources of liquidity through attraction of increased deposits and borrowing funds from various other institutions.

Changes in interest rates also affect our liquidity position. We currently price deposits in response to market rates and our management intends to continue this policy. If deposits are not priced in response to market rates, a loss of deposits could occur which would negatively affect our liquidity position.

Scheduled loan payments are a relatively stable source of funds, but loan payoffs and deposit flows fluctuate significantly, being influenced by interest rates, general economic conditions and competition. Additionally, debt security investments are subject to prepayment and call provisions that could accelerate their payoff prior to stated maturity. We attempt to price our deposit products to meet our asset/liability objectives consistent with local market conditions. Our ALCO is responsible for monitoring our ongoing liquidity needs. Our regulators also monitor our liquidity and capital resources on a periodic basis.

In addition, Pinnacle National is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati ("FHLB"). As a result, Pinnacle National receives advances from the FHLB, pursuant to the terms of various borrowing agreements, which assist it in the funding of its home mortgage and commercial real estate loan portfolios. Pinnacle National has pledged under the borrowing agreements with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati certain qualifying residential mortgage loans and, pursuant to a blanket lien, all qualifying commercial mortgage loans as collateral. At September 30, 2007, Pinnacle National had received advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati totaling \$25.7 million at the following rates and maturities (dollars in thousands):

	A	Amount	Interest Rates
2008	\$	10,000	4.97%
2009		15,000	5.01%
Thereafter		685	2.25%
Total	\$	25,685	
Weighted average interest rate			4.92%

Our borrowings also consist primarily of overnight FHLB advances. At September 30, 2007, Pinnacle National had borrowed from the FHLB \$10 million on an overnight basis. Pinnacle National also has accommodations with upstream correspondent banks for unsecured short-term advances. These accommodations have various covenants related to their term and availability, and in most cases must be repaid within less than a month. At September 30, 2007, Pinnacle National had borrowed from a correspondent bank \$19.986 million under such arrangements.

At September 30, 2007, brokered certificates of deposit approximated \$147.2 million which represented 7.1% of total fundings compared to \$61.7 million and 3.3% at December 31, 2006. We issue these brokered certificates through

several different brokerage houses based on competitive bid. Typically, these funds are for varying maturities from nine months to two years and are issued at rates which are competitive to rates we would be required to pay to attract similar deposits from the local market as well as rates for Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati advances of similar maturities. We consider these deposits to be a ready source of liquidity under current market conditions.

At September 30, 2007, we had no significant commitments for capital expenditures. However, we are in the process of developing our branch network and other office facilities in the Nashville MSA and the Knoxville MSA. As a result, we anticipate that we will enter into contracts to buy property or construct branch facilities and/or lease agreements to lease facilities in the Nashville MSA and Knoxville MSA, including our recently entering into agreements to relocate our downtown office facility in Nashville, Tennessee to a new facility projected to open in 2010.

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Our management believes that we have adequate liquidity to meet all known contractual obligations and unfunded commitments, including loan commitments and reasonable borrower, depositor, and creditor requirements over the next twelve months.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements. At September 30, 2007, we had outstanding standby letters of credit of \$63.6 million and unfunded loan commitments outstanding of \$592.4 million. Because these commitments generally have fixed expiration dates and many will expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment level does not necessarily represent future cash requirements. If needed to fund these outstanding commitments, Pinnacle National has the ability to liquidate Federal funds sold or securities available-for-sale, or on a short-term basis to borrow and purchase Federal funds from other financial institutions.

## **Impact of Inflation**

The consolidated financial statements and related consolidated financial data presented herein have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and practices within the banking industry which require the measurement of financial position and operating results in terms of historical dollars without considering the changes in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation. Unlike most industrial companies, virtually all the assets and liabilities of a financial institution are monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates have a more significant impact on a financial institution's performance than the effects of general levels of inflation.

## **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements" – SFAS No. 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 applies only to fair-value measurements that are already required or permitted by other accounting standards and is expected to increase the consistency of those measurements. The definition of fair value focuses on the exit price, i.e., the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, not the entry price, i.e., the price that would be paid to acquire the asset or received to assume the liability at the measurement date. The statement emphasizes that fair value is a market-based measurement; not an entity-specific measurement. Therefore, the fair value measurement should be determined based on the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. The effective date for SFAS No. 157 is for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007, and interim periods within those fiscal years. We are currently evaluating the impact of SFAS No. 157 on our consolidated financial statements.

In February of 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 159 ("SFAS 159"), The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities, which gives entities the option to measure eligible financial assets, and financial liabilities at fair value on an instrument by instrument basis, that are otherwise not permitted to be accounted for at fair value under other accounting standards. The election to use the fair value option is available when an entity first recognizes a financial asset or financial liability. Subsequent changes in fair value must be recorded in earnings. This statement is effective as of the beginning of a company's first fiscal year after November 15, 2007. We are in the process of analyzing the impact of SFAS 159.

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

The information required by this Item 3 is included on pages 36 through 42 of Part I - Item 2 - "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

## ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Pinnacle Financial maintains disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by it in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to Pinnacle Financial's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Pinnacle Financial carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of its management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on the evaluation of these disclosure controls and procedures, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that Pinnacle Financial's disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

## **Changes in Internal Controls**

There were no changes in Pinnacle Financial's internal control over financial reporting during Pinnacle Financial's fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2007 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, Pinnacle Financial's internal control over financial reporting.

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#### PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

There are no material pending legal proceedings to which the Company is a party or of which any of their property is the subject.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Except as disclosed in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2007 and as set forth below, there have been no material changes to our risk factors as previously disclosed in Part I, Item IA of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006.

# We May Not Be Able To Successfully Integrate Mid-America or To Realize the Anticipated Benefits of the Merger

The merger of Mid-America with and into Pinnacle Financial involves the combination of two bank holding companies that previously have operated independently and in the case of Mid-America, two separate bank subsidiaries that operate separate from one another. A successful combination of the operations of the three bank subsidiaries will depend substantially on our ability to consolidate operations, systems and procedures and to eliminate redundancies and costs. We may not be able to combine our operations with the operations of Mid-America without encountering difficulties, such as:

- the loss of key employees and customers;
- the disruption of operations and business;
- inability to maintain and increase competitive presence;
- loan and deposit attrition, customer loss and revenue loss;
- possible inconsistencies in standards, control procedures and policies;
- unexpected problems with costs, operations, personnel, technology and credit; and/or
- problems with the assimilation of new operations, sites or personnel, which could divert resources from regular banking operations.

Additionally, general market and economic conditions or governmental actions affecting the financial industry generally may inhibit the successful integration of us and Mid-America and our respective bank subsidiaries.

Further, we entered into the merger agreement with the expectation that the merger will result in various benefits including, among other things, benefits relating to enhanced revenues, a strengthened market position for the combined company, cross selling opportunities, technology, cost savings and operating efficiencies. Achieving the anticipated benefits of the merger is subject to a number of uncertainties, including whether we integrate Mid-America and its bank subsidiaries in an efficient and effective manner, and general competitive factors in the marketplace. Failure to achieve these anticipated benefits could result in a reduction in the price of our shares as well as in increased costs, decreases in the amount of expected revenues and diversion of management's time and energy and

could materially impact our business, financial condition and operating results. Finally, any cost savings that are realized may be offset by losses in revenues or other charges to earnings.

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# The Combined Company Will Incur Significant Transaction and Merger-Related Costs in Connection With the Merger

We and Mid-America expect to incur significant costs associated with combining the operations of the two companies. We and Mid-America have just recently begun collecting information in order to formulate detailed integration plans to deliver anticipated cost savings. Additional unanticipated costs may be incurred in the integration of our business with the business of Mid-America. Although we expect that the elimination of duplicative costs, as well as the realization of other efficiencies related to the integration of the businesses, may offset incremental transaction and merger-related costs over time, this net benefit may not be achieved in the near term, or at all.

Whether or not the merger is consummated, we and Mid-America will incur substantial expenses, such as legal, accounting and financial advisory fees, in pursuing the merger. Completion of the merger is conditioned upon the receipt of all material governmental authorizations, consents, orders and approvals, including approval by federal banking regulators. We and Mid-America intend to pursue all required approvals in accordance with the merger agreement.

## Failure To Complete the Merger Could Cause Our Stock Price To Decline

If the merger is not completed for any reason, our stock price may decline because costs related to the merger, such as legal, accounting and financial advisory fees, must be paid even if the merger is not completed. In addition, if the merger is not completed, our stock price may decline to the extent that the current market price reflects a market assumption that the merger will be completed.

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

(a)	Not applicable
(b)	Not applicable

## ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

Not applicable

## ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

(a)	None.
(b)	None
(c)	None

## **ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION**

None

<sup>(</sup>c) The Company did not repurchase any shares of the Company's common stock during the quarter ended September 30, 2007.

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## ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

- 31.1 Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a)
- 31.2 Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a)
- 32.1 Certification pursuant to 18 USC Section 1350 Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.2 Certification pursuant to 18 USC Section 1350 Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Pinnacle Financial is a party to certain agreements entered into in connection with the offering by PNFP Statutory Trust I, PNFP Statutory Trust II and PNFP Statutory Trust III of an aggregate of \$50,000,000 in trust preferred securities, as more fully described in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. In accordance with Item 601(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation SB, and because the total amount of the trust preferred securities is not in excess of 10% of Pinnacle Financial's total assets, Pinnacle Financial has not filed the various documents and agreements associated with the trust preferred securities herewith. Pinnacle Financial has, however, agreed to furnish copies of the various documents and agreements associated with the trust preferred securities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request.

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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.

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PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC.

/s/ M. Terry Turner M. Terry Turner

November 2, 2007 President and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Harold R. Carpenter Harold R. Carpenter Chief Financial Officer

November 2, 2007