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ALPENA BANCSHARES INC Form 8-K December 15, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 14, 2004

Alpena Bancshares, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Federal	0-31957	38-3567362	
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File No.	(IRS Employe Identification	
100 S. Second Ave., Alpena, Michigan		497	07
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip C	ode)
Registrant's telephone number,	including area code: (989) 356-9041	

Not Applicable
----(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On December 14, 2004, the Board of Directors of Alpena Bancshares, Inc. (the "Company") declared a cash dividend on the Company's common stock of \$.10 per share for the quarter ended December 31, 2004. The dividend will be payable to stockholders of record as of December 31, 2004 and will be paid on January 21, 2005.

Alpena Bancshares MHC, majority stockholder of the Company and owner of 920,000 shares of the 1,659,480 total shares outstanding, announced that it has waived the right to receive its portion of the dividend. Accordingly, the dividend will be paid on the 739,480 shares owned by minority stockholders of the Company.

A copy of the press release dated December 15, 2004, giving details associated with the dividend is attached as Exhibit 99 to this report.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not Applicable.
- (b) Not Applicable.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99	Press release dated December 15, 2004

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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, hereunto duly authorized.

ALPENA BANCSHARES, INC.

DATE: December 15, 2004 By: /s/ Michael W. Mahler Michael W. Mahler Executive Vice President and Corporate Secretary