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Form 8-K July 27, 2004

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

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

First Commonwealth Financial Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania
(State or other

jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-11242

(Commission File Number) 25-1428528

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

22 N. Sixth Street, Indiana, PA

15701

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

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

Item 5. OTHER EVENTS

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

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

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

(c) <u>Exhibits</u>

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

Dated: July 27, 2004

FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /S/JOHN J. DOLAN

John J. Dolan

Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer