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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)

September 2,

2004

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2004

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Heartland Financial USA, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-24724 42-1405748
(Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

1398 Central Avenue, Dubuque, Iowa
(Adress of principal executive
(Zip Code

(563) 589-2100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Information

On September 2, 2004, Heartland Financial USA, Inc., issued a press release announcing the completion of its acquisition of the Wealth Management Group of Colonial Trust Company, a publicly held Arizona trust company based in Phoenix. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.

None.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

None.

- (c) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press Release dated September 2, 2004

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.

HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA, INC.

Date: September 2, 2004 By: /s/ John K. Schmidt

John K. Schmidt

Executive Vice President, COO and

CFO