FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL CORP /PA/
Form 8-K
August 03, 2006

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): **August 3, 2006**

First Commonwealth Financial Corporation
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania	**0-11242**	**25-1428528**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(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**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

[X] Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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

Item 7.01 REGULATION FD

On August 3, 2006, First Commonwealth Financial Corporation issued a press release announcing its receipt of regulatory approvals and exchange ration for the Laurel Capital merger. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99 - First Commonwealth Financial Corporation Press Release dated August 3, 2006

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.

Dated: August 3, 2006

FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL CORPORATION
(Registrant)

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