

BAR HARBOR BANKSHARES  
Form 8-K  
August 23, 2012

**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 21, 2012

**Commission File No. 001-13349**

**BAR HARBOR BANKSHARES**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Maine**

(State or other jurisdiction of

incorporation or organization)

**PO Box 400**

**82 Main Street, Bar Harbor, ME**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**01-0393663**

(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

**04609-0400**

(Zip Code)

**(207) 288-3314**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Inapplicable**

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

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**ITEM 8.01**

**OTHER EVENTS**

On August 23, 2012, Bar Harbor Bankshares issued a press release announcing that the Company's Board of Directors has approved the continuation of the Company's existing stock repurchase plan through August 19, 2014. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**ITEM 9.01**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d)

Exhibits No. Description

99.1

Copy of Company's press release dated August 23, 2012, furnished herewith.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: August 23, 2012

BAR HARBOR BANKSHARES

/s/ Gerald Shencavitz

Gerald Shencavitz

Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit Index

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Registrant's Press Release dated August 23, 2012