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FORM 10-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2003 Commission File No. 000-22054

COMMUNITY BANKSHARES, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

South Carolina
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

57-0966962
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

791 Broughton Street, Orangeburg, SC 29115
(Address of principal executive offices, zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (803) 535-1060

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, No Par Value	American Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 1934 during the past 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act:) Yes No

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter, June 30, 2003 was approximately \$53,081,000.

As of March 12, 2004, there were 4,336,112 shares of the registrant's common stock, no par value, outstanding.

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* Incorporated by reference to Registrant's Proxy Statement for the 2004 Annual Meeting of Shareholders

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements included in this report which are not historical in nature are intended to be, and are hereby identified as 'forward-looking statements' for purposes of the safe harbor provided by Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements include statements concerning plans, objectives, goals, strategies, future events or performance and underlying assumptions and other statements which are other than statements of historical facts. Such forward-looking statements may be identified, without limitation, by the use of the words "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "plans," "predicts," "projects," and similar expressions. The Corporation's expectations, beliefs, estimates and projections are expressed in good faith and are believed by the Corporation to have a reasonable basis, including without limitation, management's examination of historical operating trends, data contained in the Corporation's records and other data available from third parties, but there can be no assurance that management's expectations, beliefs, estimates or projections will result or be achieved or accomplished. The Corporation cautions readers that forward-looking statements, including without limitation, those relating to the Corporation's recent and continuing expansion, its future business prospects, revenues, working capital, liquidity, capital needs, interest costs, income, and adequacy of the allowance for loan losses, are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in the forward-looking statements, due to several important factors herein identified, among others, and other risks and factors identified from time to time in the Corporation's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Corporation undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

PART I

Item 1. Description of Business

Form of organization

Community Bankshares, Inc. (CBI or the Corporation) is a South Carolina corporation and a bank holding company. CBI commenced operations on July 1, 1993, upon effectiveness of the acquisition of the Orangeburg National Bank as a wholly-owned subsidiary. In June 1996 CBI acquired all the stock of Sumter National Bank, which is also a wholly-owned subsidiary. In July 1998 CBI acquired all the stock of Florence National Bank, which is also a wholly-owned subsidiary. In July 2002 CBI acquired by merger Ridgeway Bancshares, Inc., the parent company of the Bank of Ridgeway.

Orangeburg National Bank (the Orangeburg bank) is a national bank, chartered in 1987, operating from two offices located in Orangeburg, South Carolina.

Sumter National Bank (the Sumter bank) is a national bank, chartered in 1996, operating from two offices located in Sumter, South Carolina.

Florence National Bank (the Florence bank) is a national bank, chartered in 1998, operating from one office located in Florence, South Carolina.

Bank of Ridgeway (the Ridgeway bank) is a South Carolina state-chartered bank, organized in 1898, operating from one office in Ridgeway, one office in Winnsboro, and one office in Blythewood, South Carolina.

In November 2001, CBI acquired all the common stock of Resource Mortgage Inc., a Columbia, South Carolina based mortgage company. The mortgage

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company operates as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the holding company and is now named Community Resource Mortgage, Inc. (CRM).

Business of banking

The Orangeburg, Sumter, Florence and Ridgeway banks (hereafter referred to as the Banks) offer a full array of commercial bank services. Deposit services include business and personal checking accounts, NOW accounts, savings accounts, money market accounts, various term certificates of deposit, IRA accounts, and other deposit services. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insures deposits up to applicable limits. Most of the Banks' deposits are attracted from individuals and small businesses.

The Banks offer secured and unsecured, short-to-intermediate term loans, with floating and fixed interest rates for commercial and consumer purposes. Consumer loans include car loans, home equity improvement loans

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secured by first and second mortgages, personal expenditure loans, education loans, and the like. Commercial loans include short-term unsecured loans, short and intermediate term real estate mortgage loans, loans secured by listed stocks, loans secured by equipment, inventory, accounts receivable, and the like. The Banks do not and will not discriminate against any applicant for credit on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, age, marital status, familial status, handicap, or derivation of income from public assistance programs.

Other services offered by the Banks include safe deposit boxes, night depository service, VISA and Master Card brand charge cards (through a correspondent), tax deposits, sale of U.S. Treasury bonds, notes and bills and other U. S. government securities (through a correspondent), twenty-four hour automated teller service, and Internet banking services. Each of the Banks has ATMs and they are all part of the Star and Cirrus networks.

The mortgage company provides a wide variety of one to four family residential mortgage products in the Columbia, Sumter and Anderson, South Carolina markets.

Competition

The market for financial institutions in our various markets is generally highly competitive. Banks generally compete with other financial institutions through the banking services and products offered, the pricing of services, the level of service provided, the convenience and availability of services, and the degree of expertise and personal concern with which services are offered. The Banks encounter strong competition from most of the financial institutions in their market areas.

The market area for the Orangeburg bank generally encompasses an area extending nine miles around the city of Orangeburg. The market area for the Sumter bank generally encompasses the county of Sumter. The market area for the Florence bank generally encompasses the city of Florence. The market area for the Ridgeway bank generally encompasses Fairfield County (for the Ridgeway and Winnsboro offices) and the town of Blythewood in Richland County. In the conduct of certain banking business, the Banks also compete with credit unions, consumer finance companies, insurance companies, money market mutual funds, and other financial institutions, some of which are not subject to the same degree of regulation and restrictions imposed upon the Banks. Many of these competitors have substantially greater resources and lending limits than the Banks and offer

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certain services, such as international banking and trust services, which the Banks do not provide. The Banks believe, however, that their relatively small size permits them to offer more personalized services than many of their competitors. The Banks attempt to compensate for their lower lending limits by participating larger loans with other institutions, often with each other.

Most of the other financial institutions in the Orangeburg, Sumter, Florence and most of the Ridgeway service areas are branch offices of large, regional banks with offices located throughout South Carolina. At June 30, 2003, there were five financial institutions competing with the Corporation in the city of Orangeburg, eight financial institutions competing with the Corporation in Sumter County, and 16 financial institutions competing with the Corporation in the city of Florence. At June 30, 2003, the Orangeburg bank had the second largest deposit base in the city of Orangeburg; the Sumter bank had the third largest deposit base in Sumter County; the Florence bank had the seventh largest deposit base in the city of Florence; and the Ridgeway bank had the largest deposit base in Fairfield County and half the deposits in the town of Blythewood.

The mortgage company has offices in Anderson, Richland and Sumter Counties of South Carolina, where it competes with hundreds of financial institutions and mortgage originators.

Dependence on Major Customers

The Banks do not consider themselves dependent on any single customer or small group of customers, either in the deposit or lending areas.

SUPERVISION AND REGULATION

Bank holding companies and banks are extensively regulated under federal and state law. To the extent that the following information describes statutory and regulatory provisions, it is qualified in its entirety by reference to such statutes and regulations. Any change in applicable law or regulation may have a material effect on the business of CBI and the Banks.

As discussed below under the caption "Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act", Congress has adopted extensive changes in the laws governing the financial services

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industry. Among the changes adopted are creation of the financial holding company, a new type of bank holding company with powers that greatly exceed those of standard holding companies, and creation of the financial subsidiary, a subsidiary that can be used by national banks to engage in many, though not all, of the same activities in which a financial holding company may engage. The legislation also establishes the concept of functional regulation whereby the various financial activities in which financial institutions engage are overseen by the regulator with the relevant regulatory experience. Neither CBI nor any of the Banks has yet made a decision as to how to adapt the new legislation to its use. Accordingly, the following discussion relates to the supervisory and regulatory provisions that apply to CBI and the Banks as they currently operate.

Regulation of Bank Holding Companies

General

As a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act ("BHCA"), CBI is subject to the regulations of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Federal Reserve"). Under the BHCA, CBI's activities

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and those of its subsidiaries are limited to banking, managing or controlling banks, furnishing services to or performing services for its subsidiaries or engaging in any other activity which the Federal Reserve determines to be so closely related to banking or managing or controlling banks as to be a proper incident thereto. The BHCA prohibits CBI from acquiring direct or indirect control of more than 5% of the outstanding voting stock or substantially all of the assets of any bank or from merging or consolidating with another bank holding company without prior approval of the Federal Reserve. The BHCA also prohibits CBI from acquiring control of any bank operating outside the State of South Carolina unless such action is specifically authorized by the statutes of the state where the bank to be acquired is located.

Additionally, the BHCA prohibits CBI from engaging in or from acquiring ownership or control of more than 5% of the outstanding voting stock of any company engaged in a non-banking business unless such business is determined by the Federal Reserve to be so closely related to banking as to be properly incident thereto. The BHCA generally does not place territorial restrictions on the activities of such non-banking-related activities.

As discussed below under "Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act", a bank holding company that meets certain requirements may now qualify as a financial holding company and thereby significantly increase the variety of services it may provide and the investments it may make.

CBI is also subject to limited regulation and supervision by the South Carolina State Board of Financial Institutions (the "State Board"). A South Carolina bank holding company may be required to provide the State Board with information with respect to the financial condition, operations, management and inter-company relationships of the holding company and its subsidiaries. The State Board also may require such other information as is necessary to keep itself informed about whether the provisions of South Carolina law and the regulations and orders issued thereunder by the State Board have been complied with, and the State Board may examine any bank holding company and its subsidiaries. Furthermore, pursuant to applicable law and regulations, the Company must receive approval of, or give notice to (as applicable) the State Board prior to engaging in the acquisition of banking or non-banking institutions or assets.

Obligations of Holding Company to its Subsidiary Banks

A number of obligations and restrictions are imposed on bank holding companies and their depository institution subsidiaries by Federal law and regulatory policies that are designed to reduce potential loss exposure to the depositors of such depository institutions and to the FDIC insurance funds in the event the depository institution is in danger of becoming insolvent or is insolvent. For example, under the policy of the Federal Reserve, a bank holding company is required to serve as a source of financial strength to its subsidiary depository institutions and to commit resources to support such institutions in circumstances where it might not do so absent such policy. In addition, the "cross-guarantee" provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, as amended ("FDIA"), require insured depository institutions under common control to reimburse the FDIC for any loss suffered or reasonably anticipated by either the Savings Association Insurance Fund ("SAIF") or the Bank Insurance Fund ("BIF") of the FDIC as a result of the default of a commonly controlled insured depository institution or for any assistance provided by the FDIC to a commonly controlled insured depository institution in danger of default. The FDIC may decline to enforce the cross-guarantee provisions if it determines that a waiver is in the best interest of the SAIF or the BIF or both. The FDIC's claim for damages is superior to claims of stockholders of the insured depository institution or its holding company but is subordinate to claims of depositors, secured creditors and holders of subordinated debt (other than affiliates) of the commonly controlled insured depository institutions.

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The FDIA also provides that amounts received from the liquidation or other resolution of any insured depository institution by any receiver must be

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distributed (after payment of secured claims) to pay the deposit liabilities of the institution prior to payment of any other general or unsecured senior liability, subordinated liability, general creditor or stockholder. This provision gives depositors a preference over general and subordinated creditors and stockholders in the event a receiver is appointed to distribute the assets of the bank.

Any capital loans by a bank holding company to any of its subsidiary banks are subordinate in right of payment to deposits and to certain other indebtedness of such subsidiary bank. In the event of a bank holding company's bankruptcy, any commitment by the bank holding company to a federal bank regulatory agency to maintain the capital of a subsidiary bank will be assumed by the bankruptcy trustee and entitled to a priority of payment.

Under the National Bank Act, if the capital stock of a national bank is impaired by losses or otherwise, the OCC is authorized to require payment of the deficiency by assessment upon the bank's shareholders', pro rata, and to the extent necessary, if any such assessment is not paid by any shareholder after three months notice, to sell the stock of such shareholder to make good the deficiency.

Capital Adequacy Guidelines for Bank Holding Companies and Banks

The various federal bank regulators, including the Federal Reserve and the FDIC, have adopted risk-based and leverage capital adequacy guidelines assessing bank holding company and bank capital adequacy. These standards define what qualifies as capital and establish minimum capital standards in relation to assets and off-balance-sheet exposures, as adjusted for credit risks. The capital guidelines and CBI's capital position are summarized in Note 19 to the Financial Statements, contained elsewhere in this report. All four of the Banks are considered well capitalized.

Failure to meet capital guidelines could subject the Banks to a variety of enforcement remedies, including the termination of deposit insurance by the FDIC and a prohibition on the taking of brokered deposits.

The risk-based capital standards of both the Federal Reserve Board and the FDIC explicitly identify concentrations of credit risk and the risk arising from non-traditional activities, as well as an institution's ability to manage these risks, as important factors to be taken into account by the agencies in assessing an institution's overall capital adequacy. The capital guidelines also provide that an institution's exposure to a decline in the economic value of its capital due to changes in interest rates be considered by the agencies as a factor in evaluating a bank's capital adequacy. The Federal Reserve Board also has recently issued additional capital guidelines for bank holding companies that engage in certain trading activities.

Payment of Dividends

CBI is a legal entity separate and distinct from the Banks. Most of the revenues of CBI result from dividends paid to CBI by the Banks. There are statutory and regulatory requirements applicable to the payment of dividends by subsidiary banks as well as by CBI to its shareholders.

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Each national banking association is required by federal law to obtain the prior approval of the OCC for the payment of dividends if the total of all dividends declared by the board of directors of such bank in any year will exceed the total of (i) such bank's net profits (as defined and interpreted by regulation) for that year plus (ii) the retained net profits (as defined and interpreted by regulation) for the preceding two years, less any required transfers to surplus. In addition, national banks can only pay dividends to the extent that retained net profits (including the portion transferred to surplus) exceed bad debts (as defined by regulation). South Carolina banking regulations also restrict the amount of dividends that banks can pay shareholders. Any dividends by a South Carolina state bank that exceed the bank's total year-to-date earnings are subject to prior approval of the South Carolina Commissioner of Banking and are generally payable only from undivided profits. Payment of dividends by a state bank would also be prohibited if the effect would be to cause the Bank's capital to fall below applicable minimum capital requirements.

The payment of dividends by CBI and the Banks may also be affected or limited by other factors, such as the requirements to maintain adequate capital above regulatory guidelines. In addition, if, in the opinion of the applicable regulatory authority, a bank under its jurisdiction is engaged in or is about to engage in an unsafe or unsound practice (which, depending on the financial condition of the Banks, could include the payment of dividends), such authority may require, after notice and hearing, that such bank cease and desist from such practice. The OCC has indicated that paying dividends that deplete a national bank's capital base to an inadequate level would be an unsafe and unsound banking practice. The Federal Reserve, the OCC and the FDIC have issued policy statements, which provide that bank holding companies and insured banks should generally only pay dividends out of current operating earnings.

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Certain Transactions by CBI with its Affiliates

Federal law regulates transactions among CBI and its affiliates, including the amount of the Banks' loans to or investments in nonbank affiliates and the amount of advances to third parties collateralized by securities of an affiliate. Further, a bank holding company and its affiliates are prohibited from engaging in certain tie-in arrangements in connection with any extension of credit, lease or sale of property or furnishing of services.

FDIC Insurance Assessments

Because Orangeburg National Bank's, Sumter National Bank's, Florence National Bank's and the Bank of Ridgeway's deposits are insured by the Bank Insurance Fund of the FDIC ("BIF"), the Banks are subject to semiannual insurance assessments imposed by the FDIC. Since January 1, 1997, the assessments imposed on all FDIC deposits for deposit insurance have an effective rate ranging from 0 to 27 basis points per \$100 of insured deposits, depending on the institution's capital position and other supervisory factors. However, legislation enacted in 1996 requires that both Savings Association Insurance Fund ("SAIF") insured and BIF insured deposits pay a pro rata portion of the interest due on the obligations issued by the Financing Corporation ("FICO"). The FICO assessment is adjusted quarterly to reflect changes in the assessment bases of the respective funds based on quarterly Call Report and Thrift Financial Report submissions.

Regulation of the Banks

Orangeburg National Bank, Sumter National Bank, and Florence National

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Bank are also subject to regulation and examination by the OCC bank examiners. The Bank of Ridgeway is subject to regulation and examination by FDIC and the State Board. In addition, the Banks are subject to various other state and federal laws and regulations, including state usury laws, laws relating to fiduciaries, consumer credit laws and laws relating to branch banking. The Banks' loan operations are subject to certain federal consumer credit laws and regulations promulgated thereunder, including, but not limited to: the federal Truth-In-Lending Act, governing disclosures of credit terms to consumer borrowers; the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, requiring financial institutions to provide certain information concerning their mortgage lending; the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and the Fair Housing Act, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of certain prohibited factors in extending credit; the Fair Credit Reporting Act, governing the use and provision of information to credit reporting agencies; the Bank Secrecy Act, dealing with, among other things, the reporting of certain currency transactions; and the Fair Debt Collection Act, governing the manner in which consumer debts may be collected by collection agencies. The deposit operations of the Banks are subject to the Truth in Savings Act, requiring certain disclosures about rates paid on savings accounts; the Expedited Funds Availability Act, which deals with disclosure of the availability of funds deposited in accounts and the collection and return of checks by banks; the Right to Financial Privacy Act, which imposes a duty to maintain certain confidentiality of consumer financial records and the Electronic Funds Transfer Act and regulations promulgated thereunder, which govern automatic deposits to and withdrawals from deposit accounts and customers' rights and liabilities arising from the use of automated teller machines and other electronic banking services.

The Banks are subject to the requirements of the Community Reinvestment Act (the "CRA"). The CRA imposes on financial institutions an affirmative and ongoing obligation to meet the credit needs of their local communities, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, consistent with the safe and sound operation of those institutions. Each financial institution's actual performance in meeting community credit needs is evaluated as part of the examination process, and also is considered in evaluating mergers, acquisitions and applications to open a branch or facility.

Other Safety and Soundness Regulations

Prompt Corrective Action. The federal banking agencies have broad powers under current federal law to take prompt corrective action to resolve problems of insured depository institutions. The extent of these powers depends upon whether the institutions in question are "well capitalized," "adequately capitalized," "undercapitalized," "significantly undercapitalized" or "critically undercapitalized."

A bank that is "undercapitalized" becomes subject to provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act ("FDIA") restricting payment of capital distributions and management fees; requiring the OCC to monitor the condition of the bank; requiring submission by the bank of a capital restoration plan; restricting the growth of the bank's assets and requiring prior approval of certain expansion proposals. A bank that is "significantly undercapitalized" is also subject to restrictions on compensation paid to senior management of the bank, and a bank that is "critically undercapitalized" is further subject to restrictions on the activities of the bank and restrictions on payments of subordinated debt of the bank. The purpose of these provisions is to require banks with less than adequate capital to act quickly to restore their capital and to have the OCC move promptly to take over banks that are unwilling or

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unable to take such steps.

Brokered Deposits. Under current FDIC regulations, "well capitalized" banks may accept brokered deposits without restriction, "adequately capitalized" banks may accept brokered deposits with a waiver from the FDIC (subject to certain restrictions on payments of rates), while "undercapitalized" banks may not accept brokered deposits. The regulations provide that the definitions of "well capitalized", "adequately capitalized" and "undercapitalized" are the same as the definitions adopted by the agencies to implement the prompt corrective action provisions described in the previous paragraph.

Interstate Banking

Under the Riegle-Neal Interstate Banking and Branching Efficiency Act of 1994 ("Riegle-Neal"), CBI and any other adequately capitalized bank holding company located in South Carolina can acquire a bank located in any other state, and a bank holding company located outside South Carolina can acquire any South Carolina-based bank, in either case subject to certain deposit percentage and other restrictions. Riegle-Neal also provides that, in any state that has not previously elected to prohibit out-of-state banks from operating interstate branches within its territory, adequately capitalized and managed bank holding companies can consolidate their multistate bank operations into a single bank subsidiary and branch interstate through acquisitions. De novo branching by an out-of-state bank is permitted only if it is expressly permitted by the laws of the host state. The authority of a bank to establish and operate branches within a state will continue to be subject to applicable state branching laws. South Carolina law was amended, effective July 1, 1996, to permit such interstate branching but not de novo branching by an out-of-state bank.

The Riegle-Neal Act, together with legislation adopted in South Carolina, resulted in a number of South Carolina banks being acquired by large out-of-state bank holding companies. Size gives the larger banks certain advantages in competing for business from larger customers. These advantages include higher lending limits and the ability to offer services in other areas of South Carolina and the region. As a result, the Banks do not generally attempt to compete for the banking relationships of large corporations, but concentrate their efforts on small to medium-sized businesses and on individuals. CBI believes its Banks have competed effectively in this market segment by offering quality, personal service.

Legislative Proposals

Legislation which could significantly affect the business of banking is introduced in Congress from time to time. CBI cannot predict the future course of such legislative proposals or their impact on CBI should they be adopted.

Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act

The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, which makes it easier for affiliations between banks, securities firms and insurance companies to take place, became effective in March 2000. The Act removes Depression-era barriers that had separated banks and securities firms, and seeks to protect the privacy of consumers' financial information.

Under provisions of the legislation and regulations adopted by the appropriate regulators, banks, securities firms and insurance companies are able to structure new affiliations through a holding company structure or through a financial subsidiary. The legislation creates a new type of bank holding company called a "financial holding company" which has powers much more extensive than those of standard holding companies. These expanded powers include authority to engage in "financial activities," which are activities that are (1) financial in nature; (2) incidental to activities that are financial in nature; or (3)

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complementary to a financial activity and that do not impose a safety and soundness risk. Significantly, the permitted financial activities for financial holding companies include authority to engage in merchant banking and insurance activities, including insurance portfolio investing. A bank holding company can qualify as a financial holding company and expand the services it offers only if all of its subsidiary depository institutions are well-managed, well-capitalized and have received a rating of "satisfactory" on their last Community Reinvestment Act examination.

The legislation also creates another new type of entity called a "financial subsidiary." A financial subsidiary may be used by a national bank or

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a group of national banks to engage in many of the same activities permitted for a financial holding company, though several of these activities, including real estate development or investment, insurance or annuity underwriting, insurance portfolio investing and merchant banking, are reserved for financial holding companies. A bank's investment in a financial subsidiary affects the way in which the bank calculates its regulatory capital, and the assets and liabilities of financial subsidiaries may not be consolidated with those of the bank. The bank must also be certain that its risk management procedures are adequate to protect it from financial and operational risks created both by itself and by any financial subsidiary. Further, the bank must establish policies to maintain the separate corporate identities of the bank and its financial subsidiary and to prevent each from becoming liable for the obligations of the other.

The Act also establishes the concept of "functional supervision," meaning that similar activities should be regulated by the same regulator. Accordingly, the Act spells out the regulatory authority of the bank regulatory agencies, the Securities and Exchange Commission and state insurance regulators so that each type of activity is supervised by a regulator with corresponding expertise. The Federal Reserve Board is intended to be an umbrella supervisor with the authority to require a bank holding company or financial holding company or any subsidiary of either to file reports as to its financial condition, risk management systems, transactions with depository institution subsidiaries and affiliates, and compliance with any federal law that it has authority to enforce.

Although the Act reaffirms that states are the regulators for insurance activities of all persons, including federally-chartered banks, the Act prohibits states from preventing depository institutions and their affiliates from conducting insurance activities.

The Act also establishes a minimum federal standard of privacy to protect the confidentiality of a consumer's personal financial information and gives the consumer the power to choose how personal financial information may be used by financial institutions.

The Act and the regulations adopted pursuant to the Act create new opportunities for CBI to offer expanded services to customers in the future, though CBI has not yet determined what the nature of the expanded services might be or when CBI might find it feasible to offer them. The Act has increased competition from larger financial institutions that are currently more capable than CBI of taking advantage of the opportunity to provide a broader range of services. However, CBI continues to believe that its commitment to providing high quality, personalized service to customers will permit it to remain competitive in its market area.

Fiscal and Monetary Policy

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Banking is a business which depends to a large extent on interest rate differentials. In general, the difference between the interest paid by a bank on its deposits and its other borrowings, and the interest received by a bank on its loans and securities holdings, constitutes the major portion of a bank's earnings. Thus, the earnings and growth of CBI are subject to the influence of economic conditions generally, both domestic and foreign, and also to the monetary and fiscal policies of the United States and its agencies, particularly the Federal Reserve. The Federal Reserve regulates the supply of money through various means, including open-market dealings in United States government securities, the discount rate at which banks may borrow from the Federal Reserve, and the reserve requirements on deposits. The nature and timing of any changes in such policies and their impact on CBI cannot be predicted.

Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act was signed into law on July 30, 2002, and mandated extensive reforms and requirements for public companies. The SEC has adopted extensive new regulations pursuant to the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the SEC's new regulations have increased the Corporation's cost of doing business, particularly its fees for internal and external audit services and legal services, and the law and regulations are expected to continue to do so. However, the Corporation does not believe that it will be affected by Sarbanes-Oxley and the new SEC regulations in ways that are materially different or more onerous than those of other public companies of similar size and in similar businesses.

Employees

At December 31, 2003 the Corporation employed 190 full time equivalent employees. Management believes that its employee relations are excellent.

Further Information

Further information about the business of the Corporation and the Banks is set forth in this Form 10-K under Item 7 - "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

Item 2. Description of Property

The Orangeburg bank owns land located at 1820 Columbia Road NE, in Orangeburg, South Carolina, where the Orangeburg bank maintains its main office. The Bank operates from a one-story building of approximately 7,000 square feet. The Orangeburg bank also owns a building, which was previously a branch of the bank, at the corner of Broughton and Glover Streets in Orangeburg. The Orangeburg bank currently rents this facility to the Corporation for office space. In June 1999, the Bank moved into a branch facility located adjacent to the old building. This branch office is approximately 6,500 square feet.

The Corporation's Sumter bank has fee simple title to land and a one-story 6,500 square foot building located at 683 Bultman Drive, in Sumter, South Carolina, where the Sumter bank maintains its main office. The Sumter bank opened a branch bank on West Liberty Street in Sumter in February 2002. The branch is a one-story building of approximately 3,600 square feet. The land, approximately one acre, is leased under a non-cancellable operating lease for an initial term of twenty years. The lease terms provide for four five-year renewal options after the initial term. The Sumter bank is responsible for property

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taxes and improvements.

The Florence bank leases approximately 1.7 acres of land located at 2009 Hoffmeyer Road in Florence, South Carolina. This land is the site of the main office for the Florence bank. The lease is for an initial term of ten years and provides for two ten year renewals and a final two year renewal. The Florence bank is responsible for property taxes and improvements. The Corporation constructed a one-story building for the Florence bank of approximately 7,500 square feet on the leased site.

The Ridgeway bank's main office is located in a two story building on a quarter acre site owned by the Bank at 100 S. Palmer St. in Ridgeway. The bank also owns a 1,590 square foot one story branch office on a .9 acre site at 115 McNulty St. in Blythewood, SC. The bank also owns a 1,900 square foot one story branch office on a one acre site at 610 West Moultrie St. in Winnsboro, SC.

The mortgage company operates from leased offices located at 508 Hampton Street, Suite 201, Columbia, SC, 304 West Westmark, Sumter, SC, and 2406 North Main Street, Anderson, SC. The Columbia office is leased under the terms of a five year lease. At the end of that period, the lease will automatically renew on a month-to-month basis. The other offices are rented under month-to-month rental agreements.

Information about future lease payments is included in Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements contained elsewhere in this report.

The Corporation has acquired approximately three acres of land in the northeast area of the City of Orangeburg and will soon begin the construction of a corporate headquarters and operations center building on that property. It is anticipated that the new building will be completed in early 2005.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

The Company, the Banks and the Mortgage Company are from time to time subject to legal proceedings in the ordinary course of their business. No proceedings were pending at December 31, 2003, that management believes are likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company or its subsidiaries.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

No matters were submitted for a vote of the security holders during the fourth quarter of 2003.

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PART II

Item 5. Market for the Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Securities

The Corporation's shares of Common Stock are traded on the American Stock Exchange (the AMEX) under the ticker symbol SCB.

The following table summarizes the range of high and low prices for the Corporation's Common Stock as reported on the American Stock Exchange for each quarterly period over the last two years.

Quarter Ended	High	Low
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March 31, 2002	\$ 14.75	\$ 12.75

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June 30, 2002	\$ 17.75	\$ 14.35
September 30, 2002	\$ 17.50	\$ 15.00
December 31, 2002	\$ 16.75	\$ 14.60
March 31, 2003	\$ 17.09	\$ 14.50
June 30, 2003	\$ 16.45	\$ 15.00
September 30, 2003	\$ 18.85	\$ 15.91
December 31, 2003	\$ 19.40	\$ 18.10

During 2003, the Corporation had stock sales volume of 416,600 shares compared with 268,400 shares the prior year.

There were 2,104 holders of record of the Corporation's Common Stock (no par value) as of December 31, 2003 compared with 2,087 the prior year.

During 2003, The Corporation authorized and paid quarterly cash dividends totaling 36 cents per share. The total cost of these dividends was \$1,554,000 or 27.6% of after tax profits. During 2002, the Corporation authorized and paid quarterly cash dividends totaling 32 cents per share. The total cost of these dividends was \$1,218,000 or 22.6% of after tax profits. The dividend policy of the Corporation is subject to the discretion of the Board of Directors and depends upon a number of factors, including earnings, financial condition, cash needs and general business conditions, as well as applicable regulatory considerations. Subject to ongoing review of these circumstances, the Board expects to maintain a reasonable, safe, and sound dividend payment policy.

The current source of dividends to be paid by the Corporation is the dividends received from its banking subsidiaries. Accordingly, the laws and regulations that govern the payment of dividends by national banking associations and state chartered banks may restrict the Corporation's ability to pay dividends. National banks may pay dividends only out of present and past earnings and state banks may only pay out of current earnings without regulatory approval. Both are subject to numerous limitations designed to ensure that the Banks have adequate capital to operate safely and soundly (See Item 1. Description of Business - Supervision and Regulation - Payment of Dividends). At December 31, 2003 the Banks could pay up to \$9,902,000 in dividends without special approval of their regulators.

The information required by Item 201(d) of Regulation S-K is set forth in Item 12 of this Form 10-K.

The Corporation did not purchase any shares of its common stock during the fourth quarter of 2003.

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Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following is a summary of the consolidated financial position and results of operations of the Corporation for the years ended December 31, 1999 through December 31, 2003.

Community Bankshares, Inc. and Subsidiaries
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

Years Ended December

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	2003 ----	2002 (1) -----	2001 (2) -----	2000 (3) -----
INCOME STATEMENT DATA				
Net interest income	\$ 16,708	\$ 14,625	\$ 10,940	\$ 10,940
Provision for loan losses	1,119	1,033	650	650
Noninterest income	9,125	7,194	3,584	3,584
Noninterest expense	15,932	12,465	7,810	7,810
Net income	5,635	5,401	3,908	3,908
PER COMMON SHARE (3)				
Net income - basic	\$ 1.31	\$ 1.42	\$ 1.21	\$ 1.21
Net income - diluted	1.27	1.38	1.20	1.20
Cash dividends	0.36	0.32	0.28	0.28
Book value	11.10	10.16	8.35	8.35
BALANCE SHEET DATA (YEAR END)				
Total assets	\$466,580	\$437,320	\$318,617	\$273,617
Loans held for resale	8,411	24,664	10,265	10,265
Loans, net	327,900	302,911	237,340	192,900
Deposits	378,704	337,062	255,433	218,704
Shareholders' equity	48,070	43,717	27,547	23,617
FINANCIAL RATIOS				
Return on average assets	1.25%	1.43%	1.36%	1.36%
Return on average equity	12.17%	15.10%	15.58%	15.58%
Net interest margin	3.95%	4.14%	4.00%	4.00%
OPERATIONS DATA				
Banks' branch offices	8	8	4	4
Mortgage loan offices	3	3	3	3
Employees (full-time equivalent)	190	175	126	126

- (1) July, 2002 - Ridgeway Bancshares, Inc. acquired.
(2) November, 2001 - Community Resource Mortgage, Inc. acquired
(3) Per share amounts have been retroactively adjusted to reflect a five percent stock dividend issued in 2000.
(4) Includes growth from proceeds of issuances of stock

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation

INTRODUCTION

The discussion and data presented below analyze major factors and trends regarding the financial condition and results of operations of Community Bankshares Inc. and its subsidiaries for the three year period ended December 31, 2003. This information should be reviewed in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes contained elsewhere in this report.

Business of the Corporation

Community Bankshares Inc. is a bank holding company. CBI owns four banking subsidiaries: Orangeburg National Bank, Sumter National Bank, Florence National Bank, and the Bank of Ridgeway (acquired in July 2002), and a mortgage

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company subsidiary, Community Resource Mortgage, Inc. (acquired in November 2001). CBI provides item and data processing and other technical services for its subsidiaries. The consolidated financial report for 2003 represents the operations of the holding company, its banks and the mortgage company on a consolidated basis. Condensed parent-only financial statements are presented in the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Orangeburg National Bank is a national banking association and commenced operations in November 1987. It operates two offices in Orangeburg, South Carolina. Sumter National Bank is a national banking association and commenced operations in June 1996. It operates two offices in Sumter, South Carolina. Florence National Bank is a national banking association and commenced operations in July 1998. It operates one office in Florence, South Carolina. The Bank of Ridgeway is a state chartered bank and operates from three offices, located in Ridgeway, Winnsboro and Blythewood, SC. The banks provide a variety of commercial banking services in their respective communities. Their primary customer markets are consumers and small to medium sized businesses.

Community Resource Mortgage, Inc. is a South Carolina corporation that commenced business in 1996, and was acquired by the Corporation in 2001. It is a mortgage brokerage company that provides a variety of one to four family residential mortgage products, primarily for resale in the secondary market, from offices in Columbia, Sumter and Anderson, South Carolina.

EARNINGS PERFORMANCE

2003 compared with 2002

- Net income for 2003 was substantially influenced by four major factors:
- o interest rates were stable at historically low levels which put pressure on net interest margin but also resulted in extremely heavy volumes of initial financing and refinancing of residential real estate loans (refinancing activity diminished significantly in the fourth quarter) and continuing "call" activity by issuers of investment securities;
 - o the Corporation recorded twelve months of operations for Bank of Ridgeway, which was acquired in July of 2002;
 - o the Sumter bank opened an additional branch office; and
 - o there were significant increases in noninterest income and expenses, primarily due to increased fee income in CRM and the recognition of the results of operations of the Ridgeway bank for a full year in 2003 compared with only half of a year in 2002.

For the year ended December 31, 2003, the Corporation recorded net income of \$5,635,000, an increase of \$234,000, or 4.3%, over net income of \$5,401,000 for 2002. Net income per share for 2003 was \$1.31 compared with \$1.42 for 2002. Diluted net income per share was \$1.27 for 2003 and \$1.38 for 2002. Return on average assets was 1.25% for 2003 compared with 1.43% for 2002. Return on average shareholders' equity was 12.17% for 2003 compared with 15.10% for 2002. Per share income amounts were affected negatively in 2003 by the anticipated dilutive effect of the inclusion for the entire year of the one million shares issued to acquire the Ridgeway bank. Such shares impacted the 2002 calculation of average shares outstanding for only one-half of the year. Similarly, the 2003 return statistics include the Ridgeway bank's average assets and average equity amounts for the full year in 2003, but only one-half year of such amounts were included in 2002.

Net interest income increased significantly for 2003 despite a 19 basis point (one basis point equals one one-hundredth of one percent) decrease in the net interest margin. Increased volumes of loans and significantly reduced rates paid for interest bearing deposit liabilities offset, to a large extent, the

effects of a 70 basis point reduction in the earning assets yield. CBI's short-term borrowings costs increased, however, due to the funding needs of CRM. Average short-term borrowings for 2003 were \$10,314,000 more than the average amount for 2002 and the rate paid in 2003 was slightly higher than in 2002. Interest expense related to this funding source increased by \$272,000 in 2003. The average rate paid for interest bearing deposits in 2003 decreased by 62 basis points from the 2002 rate and 2003 deposit interest expenses decreased by \$831,000 to \$5,687,000.

2002 compared with 2001

In 2002, the Corporation's net income was enhanced by robust activity in the CRM subsidiary and the inclusion of the operating results of the Ridgeway bank for the last half of the year. Interest rates declined in the last half of 2001 and were at or near historic lows during 2002. This condition helped to increase home mortgage loan originations and refinancing activities. The Corporation's interest income increased slightly in 2002 from 2001. In 2002 the Corporation earned \$22,744,000 in total interest income, up from the prior year's \$21,201,000. This represented a \$1,543,000 or 7.3% increase. This growth was the result of increased volumes of earning assets, which more than offset the reduction in yields.

For the year ended December 31, 2002, the Corporation recorded net income of \$5,401,000, an increase of \$1,493,000, or 38.2%, over net income of \$3,908,000 for 2001. Net income per share for 2002 was \$1.42 compared with \$1.21 for 2001. Per share net income, assuming dilution for unexercised stock options was \$1.38 for 2002 and \$1.20 for 2001. Return on average assets was 1.43% for 2002 compared with 1.36% for 2001. Return on average shareholders' equity was 15.10% for 2002 compared with 15.58% for 2001. Because the Ridgeway bank was acquired in a purchase method transaction in July 2002, the 2002 statistics include the Ridgeway bank's income, average assets and average equity amounts for only one-half year.

Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income for 2003, 2002 and 2001 was \$5,595,000, \$5,506,000, and \$4,032,000, respectively. Accounting principles generally require that recognized revenue, expenses, gains and losses be included in net income. Other elements of comprehensive income for the Corporation are correlated directly to the effects that changing market rates of interest have on the fair values of the Corporation's holdings of available-for-sale securities. The resulting changes in unrealized holding gains and losses on such securities are reported as a separate component of shareholders' equity. Those changes in fair value, net of income tax effects, are the only elements of comprehensive income.

Net Interest Income

Net interest income, the difference between interest income earned and interest expense incurred, is the principal source of the Corporation's earnings. Net interest income is affected by changes in the levels of interest rates and by changes in the volume and mix of interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities. During 2003 and 2002, market interest rates were generally stable. In 2001, however, market interest rates fell sharply throughout the year. During the three year period ended December 31, 2003, the Federal Reserve Board sought to provide stimulus to the U.S. economy by attaining and, then, maintaining interest rates at low levels. The effects of these actions on the Corporation were varied. The Corporation's overall funding costs decreased during the period, but there were similar decreases in the

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yields realized on loans and investments. The mortgage subsidiary was inundated with extremely large volumes of originations and refinancing activity, which strained its ability both to fund and to process those transactions until the volume diminished in the fourth quarter of 2003.

Net interest income was \$16,708,000, \$14,625,000, and \$10,940,000 for 2003, 2002, and 2001, respectively. The amounts of interest income increased in each of the past two years, and interest expense amounts decreased. Average earning assets and average interest bearing liabilities amounts increased steadily over those two years, also. However, a large percentage of the increase is attributable to the Ridgeway bank acquisition. Similarly, because the acquisition of CRM was effected in November of 2001, interest income for 2002 and 2003 include full year results from that company, while 2001 reflects its operations for only two months.

The following table presents the average balance sheets, the average yield and the interest earned on earning assets, and the average rate and the interest expense on interest bearing liabilities for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001.

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	Average Balances, Yields and Interest					
	2003			2002		
	Average Balances	Interest Income/Expense	Yields/Rates	Average Balances	Interest Income/Expense	
(Dollars in thousands)						
Assets						
Interest earning deposits	\$ 990	\$ 19	1.92%	\$ 1,229	\$ 36	
Investment securities - taxable	45,488	1,414	3.11%	43,980	1,970	
Investment securities - tax exempt (1)	9,174	322	3.51%	4,888	217	
Federal funds sold	26,582	279	1.05%	21,364	347	
Loans, including loans held-for-sale (2) ...	340,518	22,234	6.53%	281,907	20,174	
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Total interest earning assets	422,752	24,268	5.74%	353,368	22,744	
Cash and due from banks	14,452			14,222		
Allowance for loan losses	(3,861)			(3,201)		
Premises and equipment	6,996			6,011		
Intangible assets	7,772			4,360		
Other assets	3,400			3,350		
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Total assets	\$451,511			\$378,110		
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Liabilities and shareholders' equity						
Interest bearing deposits						
Interest bearing transaction accounts	\$ 44,481	\$ 193	0.43%	\$ 41,101	\$ 285	
Savings	70,552	766	1.09%	55,790	905	
Time deposits	186,502	4,728	2.54%	162,512	5,328	
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Total interest bearing deposits ..	301,535	5,687	1.89%	259,403	6,518
Short-term borrowings	29,026	750	2.58%	18,712	478
Long-term debt	20,395	1,123	5.51%	20,254	1,123
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Total interest bearing liabilities	350,956	7,560	2.15%	298,369	8,119
Noninterest bearing demand deposits	52,047			41,198	
Other liabilities	2,217			2,783	
Shareholders' equity	46,291			35,760	
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Total liabilities and shareholders' equity .	\$451,511			\$378,110	
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Interest rate spread (3)			3.59%		
Net interest income and net yield					
on earning assets (4)	\$ 16,708		3.95%	\$	14,625

- (1) Interest income on tax-exempt investment securities has not been calculated on a tax-equivalent basis.
- (2) Nonaccruing loans are included in the average balances and income from such loans is recognized on a cash basis.
- (3) Total interest earning assets yield less total interest bearing liabilities rate.
- (4) Net yield equals net interest income divided by total interest earning assets.

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As shown in the table above, loan and other earning assets volumes are increasing significantly faster than are deposit liabilities volumes. Further, loans, the highest yielding category of earning assets, grew as a percentage of total average earning assets from 77.5% in 2001 to 79.8% in 2002 and to 80.5% in 2003. Average loans in 2003 were \$340,518,000, an increase of \$128,617,000, or 60.7%, over the 2001 average amount. Average earning assets in 2003 were \$422,752,000, an increase of \$149,195,000, or 54.5%, over the 2001 average amount. Average deposits for 2003, however, increased by only \$119,890,000, or 51.3%, over the 2001 amount. The Corporation and its subsidiaries increasingly have made use of short-term borrowed funds in 2002 and 2003 to meet their funding needs. The funding needs of the mortgage banking subsidiary are particularly vulnerable to rapid fluctuations, and it is the primary cause of the increases in short-term borrowings shown in the table. It is notable, however that the amount of short-term borrowings as of the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 were \$17,960,000 and \$34,551,000, respectively, indicating that, at the end of 2003, the Corporation's short-term borrowing needs were significantly reduced, primarily due to lower amounts of loans recently originated by the mortgage subsidiary.

Time deposits make up the majority of the Corporation's deposit liabilities. Interest rates paid for such liabilities have decreased dramatically over the last two years. Accordingly, total interest expense decreased from \$10,261,000 in 2001 to \$8,119,000 in 2002 and to \$7,560,000 in 2003. The average rates paid for time deposits declined from 5.47% in 2001 to 2.54% in 2003.

During the first quarter of 2004, the Corporation began to reduce its dependence on short-term external funding sources by obtaining longer-term financing in the form of trust preferred securities of \$9,815,000. These funds will be deployed to the subsidiaries in various amounts to fund their operations. Even though the trust preferred securities have a variable interest rate (3 month LIBOR plus 2.80% for five years), the acquisition of these funds

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is expected to reduce somewhat the variability of interest rates associated with the Corporation's cost of funds. The cost of funds is not expected to increase significantly due to this transaction, however, since longer-term financing is currently available at attractive rates.

The table "Volume and Rate Variance Analysis" provides a summary of changes in net interest income resulting from changes in volume and changes in rate. The changes in volume are the difference between the current and prior year's balances multiplied by the prior year's rate. The changes in rate are the difference between the current and prior year's rate multiplied by the prior year's balance.

As reflected in the table, the increases in net interest income during each of the past two years primarily are due to higher volumes of earning assets coupled with reductions in the rates paid on deposit liabilities. Loan growth has been especially valuable in leading to increases in interest income. Similarly, the lower rates paid on deposits have been instrumental in offsetting the effects of larger volumes of short-term borrowings.

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Volume and Rate Variance Analysis

	2003 compared with 2002		
	Volume *	Rate *	Total
			(Dollars)
Interest earning assets			
Interest earning deposits	\$ (6)	\$ (11)	\$ (17)
Investment securities - taxable	66	(622)	(556)
Investment securities - tax exempt	158	(53)	105
Federal funds sold	73	(141)	(68)
Loans	3,936	(1,876)	2,060
	4,227	(2,703)	1,524
Interest bearing liabilities			
Interest bearing deposits			
Interest bearing transaction accounts	22	(114)	(92)
Savings	204	(343)	(139)
Time deposits	716	(1,316)	(600)
	942	(1,773)	(831)
Short-term borrowings	266	6	272
Long-term debt	8	(8)	-
	1,216	(1,775)	(559)
Net interest income	\$ 3,011	\$ (928)	\$ 2,083

* The change in interest due to both volume and rate has been allocated to change due to volume and change due to rate in proportion to the absolute value

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of the change in each.

Management currently expects that interest rates may move slightly higher in 2004. Management has not presently identified any factors that it believes might cause interest rates to increase sharply in a short period of time. However, changes in interest rates that can significantly affect the Corporation, either positively or negatively, are possible. In the absence of significant changes in market interest rate levels, any significant changes in net interest income during 2004 are expected to result from changes in the volumes of interest earning assets and liabilities. Management expects to continue using its marketing strategies to increase the Corporation's market share of both deposits and quality loans within its market areas. These strategies involve offering attractive interest rates and outstanding customer service.

Provision for Loan Losses

The provision for loan losses is charged to earnings based on management's continuing review and evaluation of the loan portfolio and its estimate of the related allowance for loan losses. Provisions for loan losses totaled \$1,119,000, \$1,033,000 and \$650,000 for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. The significant increase in the 2002 provision was related to a very small number of commercial loan relationships and was not believed to be indicative of a general trend in the loan portfolio. See "Impaired Loans," "Potential Problem Loans," "Allowance for Loan Losses," and "The Application of Critical Accounting Policies" for further information and a discussion of the methodology used and the factors considered by management in its estimate of the allowance for loan losses.

Noninterest Income

Noninterest income for 2003 increased by \$1,931,000 or 26.8% over 2002. Service charges on deposit accounts increased by \$589,000 or 21.3% due primarily to increased service charges assessed on pre-arranged overdraft protection services. Also, mortgage brokerage income, primarily fees associated with the origination of mortgage loans for home purchases and refinancing of existing loans, was \$5,198,000 in 2003, an increase of \$1,543,000 or 42.2% over the 2002 amount. The mortgage brokerage subsidiary and Banks generally obtain take-out commitments for mortgage loans originated for resale at the same time that they issue commitments to make loans. Accordingly, no gains or losses on the sales of such loans are recognized.

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Noninterest income for 2002 increased by \$3,610,000 or 100.7% over the 2001 amount. Mortgage brokerage income for 2002 was \$2,622,000 more than in 2001, as the mortgage banking subsidiary's operations were included for the full twelve months of 2002, but for only 2 months in 2001. In addition, the pre-arranged overdraft protection service was first offered in the second quarter of 2001. Therefore, the 2002 results reflect the first full-year affect of this product.

Noninterest Expenses

Noninterest expenses for 2003 increased by \$3,467,000 or 27.8% over the 2002 amount. Salaries and employee benefits expenses increased by \$1,845,000 due primarily to the opening, in February 2003, of a new branch office of the Sumter bank and the commission-driven compensation system employed by the mortgage brokerage subsidiary. Expenses for premises and equipment increased by \$360,000

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or 24.9% due primarily to the opening of the branch office, higher expenses associated with the rental of office space for the mortgage brokerage subsidiary's operations, and the acquisition and implementation of imaging equipment and software for customer statement rendering and other purposes. Also, other expenses increased by \$981,000. Approximately 40% of this increase was directly attributable to twelve months of operation of the Ridgeway bank compared with only six months during 2002. The remaining increases were normal increases associated with the operation of the other banks, the mortgage brokerage subsidiary and the holding company.

Noninterest expenses increased by \$4,655,000 or 59.6% in 2002, primarily reflecting the first full year effect of the operations of the mortgage brokerage subsidiary and one-half year operations of the Ridgeway bank. The remaining increases were due to normal growth in the business of the other Banks.

Income Taxes

Income tax expense for 2003 was \$3,147,000, an increase of \$227,000 or 7.8% over the 2002 amount. Income tax expense for 2002 was \$764,000 or 35.4% higher than in 2001. The effective income tax rate (income tax expense divided by income before income taxes) was 35.8%, 35.1% and 35.6% for 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

The Corporation's investment portfolio consists primarily of short-term U.S. Treasury and U.S. Government agency debt issues. The acquisition of the Ridgeway bank in 2002 significantly increased the Corporation's tax exempt portfolio. Investment securities averaged \$54,662,000 in 2003, \$48,868,000 in 2002, and \$38,517,000 in 2001.

The table below summarizes the amortized cost and fair value of the Corporation's investment portfolio for the past three years.

Securities Portfolio Composition

	2003		December 31, 2002	
	Amortized cost	Estimated Fair value	Amortized cost	Estimated Fair value
(Dollars in thousands)				
Securities available-for sale				
U.S. Treasury and U.S. Government agencies	\$56,633	\$56,477	\$41,488	
States and political subdivisions	8,140	8,387	9,514	
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Total available-for-sale	\$64,773	\$64,864	\$51,002	
	=====	=====	=====	
Securities held-to-maturity				
States and political subdivisions	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,155	\$ -	
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Total held-to-maturity	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,155	\$ -	
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The following is a summary of maturities and weighted average yields of securities as of December 31, 2003:

Securities Portfolio Maturities and Yields

	December 31, 2003					
	Within One Year		After One Year Through Five Years		After Five Years Through Ten Years	
	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield
	(Dollars in thousands)					
U.S. Treasuries	\$ 2,243	0.96%	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%
U.S. Government agencies	-	0.00%	33,418	2.92%	17,575	3.24%
States and political subdivisions (1)	790	3.44%	3,905	3.46%	5,692	3.70%
Mortgage-backed securities(2)	-	0.00%	2,261	5.63%	-	0.00%
Total	\$ 3,033	1.61%	\$39,584	3.13%	\$23,267	3.35%

- (1) Yields on tax-exempt securities of states and political subdivisions have not been calculated on a tax-equivalent basis.
- (2) Maturity category based upon final stated maturity dates. Average maturity is expected to be substantially shorter because of the monthly return of principal on certain securities.

On an ongoing basis, management assigns securities upon purchase into one of three categories (trading, available-for-sale or held-to-maturity) based on intent, taking into consideration other factors including expectations for changes in market rates of interest, liquidity needs, asset/liability management strategies, and capital requirements. The Corporation has never held securities for trading purposes. No transfers of available-for-sale or held-to-maturity securities to other categories were effected in any of the years 2001 through 2003.

During 2003, management altered the composition of the securities portfolio, primarily by purchasing U.S. Government agencies securities with slightly longer maturities. Because the rates earned on short-term U.S. Government agencies securities were, and continue to be, at historically low levels, management intentionally lengthened the maturities of its recent purchases in order to capture the additional yield that is available for longer maturity instruments. Consequently, the Corporation increased the amount of its securities maturing in the over five years to ten years category to \$23,267,000, or 34.8% of the total investment portfolio, as of December 31, 2003 from \$10,455,000, or 19.7% of the portfolio, as of December 31, 2002. The average life of the securities portfolio was 4.84 years as of December 31, 2003, compared with 4.08 years one year earlier. Although this strategy involves the

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acceptance of a slightly higher level of interest rate risk (including the risk that the Corporation might find itself with significant amounts of securities with large unrealized losses), management does not believe that the current level of risk is unacceptably high. Management will continue to monitor the investment portfolio, however, and is prepared to take prudent actions to mitigate the negative effects of future interest rate increases.

During the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, the Corporation sold investment securities of \$2,068,000, \$20,543,000 and \$7,074,000, respectively. Realized gains and (losses) on those transactions were (\$252,000), \$119,000, and \$31,000, for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. Securities may be sold to provide liquidity, to reduce interest rate risk, or for other reasons.

All mortgage-backed securities held by the Corporation were issued by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, the Federal National Mortgage Association or the Government National Mortgage Association.

LOAN PORTFOLIO

Management believes the loan portfolio is adequately diversified. There are no significant concentrations of loans in any particular individual, industry or groups of related individuals or industries, and there are no foreign loans.

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The following table shows the composition of the loan portfolio by category:

Loan Portfolio Composition

	2003 ----	2002 ----	Decemb ----- 20 --
			(Dollars in
Commercial, financial and agricultural	\$ 84,844	\$ 78,210	\$ 56,
Real estate - construction	23,590	23,345	19,
Real estate - mortgage	188,530	168,499	127,
Loans to individuals	35,142	36,430	26,
	-----	-----	-----
Total loans - gross	\$332,106	\$306,484	\$229,
	=====	=====	=====

Risk taking is inherent in the granting of credit. To control the amounts and types of risks incurred, and to minimize losses, management has established loan policies and practices. Such policies and practices include limitations on loan-to-collateral values for various types of collateral, requirements for appraisals of real estate collateral, problem loan management practices, collection procedures, and nonaccrual and charge-off guidelines. Management also has provided a program for the independent review of all significant credits on an ongoing basis.

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Commercial, financial, and agricultural loans, primarily representing loans made to small and medium size businesses, may be made on either a secured or an unsecured basis. When taken, security usually consists of liens on inventories, receivables, equipment, and furniture and fixtures. Unsecured business loans are generally short-term with emphasis on repayment strengths and low debt-to-worth ratios. Commercial lending involves significant risk because repayment usually depends on the cash flows generated by a borrower's business, and debt service capacity can deteriorate because of downturns in national and local economic conditions. Management generally controls risks by conducting more in-depth and ongoing financial analysis of a borrower's cash flows and other financial information. Each of the banking subsidiaries has a Loan Committee which is responsible for overseeing the credit granting and monitoring processes.

Real estate loans consist of construction loans and other loans secured by mortgages. Because the Corporation's subsidiaries are community banks, real estate loans comprise the bulk of the loan portfolio. Loan-to-value ratios for real estate loans generally are limited to 80%.

The Banks generally do not compete with 15 and 30 year fixed rate secondary market mortgage interest rates, so they have elected to pursue the origination of mortgage loans that could easily be sold into the secondary mortgage market. CRM also originates such loans for sale in the secondary market. These loans are generally pre-qualified with various underwriters so that problems in the sale of the loans are minimized. In 2003, 2002 and 2001, the Corporation sold \$309,914,000, \$176,011,000, and \$34,915,000, respectively, of such loans. These loans are usually sold at par so no gain or loss is recognized at the time of sale. However, the origination and sale of these loans generates fee income. The Corporation's subsidiaries may originate mortgage loans for their own loan portfolios. Such loans are usually for a shorter term than loans originated to sell and usually have a variable, rather than a fixed, interest rate.

Loans to individuals are generally for personal, automobile, or household purposes and may be secured or unsecured.

The Corporation has a geographic concentration of loans within the Banks' market areas because of the nature of its business. As of December 31, 2003, the Corporation had no other significant concentrations of credit to customers engaged in similar business activities.

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Unsecured Loans

The Corporation does not aggressively seek to make unsecured loans, since these loans may be somewhat more risky than collateralized loans. There are, however, occasions when it is in the business interests of the Corporation to provide short-term, unsecured loans to certain customers. At December 31, 2003, the Corporation had approximately \$25,400,000, or 7.6% of its loan portfolio, in unsecured loans. As of December 31, 2002, the Corporation had approximately \$20,200,000 in unsecured loans, or 6.6% of its loan portfolio. Such loans are made on the basis of management's evaluation of the customer's ability to repay and net worth.

Maturity and Interest Sensitivity Distribution of Loans

The following table sets forth the maturity distribution of the Corporation's loans, by type, as of December 31, 2003 as well as the type of interest requirement on loans due after one year.

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Commercial, financial and agricultural	\$ 45,142	\$ 36,
Real estate	51,344	109,
Loans to individuals	10,477	23,
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Total	\$106,963	\$168,
	=====	=====
Predetermined rate, maturity greater than one year	\$ -	\$116,
Variable rate or maturity within one year	106,963	51,

Impaired Loans

Impaired loans are those loans on which, based on current information and events, it is probable that the Corporation will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Loans which management has identified as impaired generally are nonaccrual loans. The Corporation had no restructured loans in the past five years. Following is a summary of the Corporation's nonaccrual and other nonperforming loans:

Nonaccrual and Past Due Loans

	2003	2002	Decem
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			-
			(Dollars in
Nonaccrual loans	\$2,595	\$ 796	\$
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due	146	1,740	\$
	-----	-----	-----
Total	\$2,741	\$2,536	\$
	=====	=====	=====
Total as a % of outstanding loans	0.83%	0.83%	
Other real estate	\$ 327	\$ 219	\$
Impaired loans (included in nonaccrual)	\$2,595	\$ 796	\$

As of December 31, 2003, approximately \$1,350,000, or 52%, of the Corporation's nonaccrual loans consisted of one loan relationship. That company's principals have been involved in a legal dispute among themselves. During the first quarter of 2004, the Corporation collected all amounts due under this credit.

Gross income that would have been recorded for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, if nonaccrual loans had been performing in accordance with their original terms was approximately \$117,000, \$39,000 and \$7,000,

respectively. No cash basis interest income was recognized in 2003, 2002 and 2001 on non-accrual loans.

The Corporation's accounting policies on nonaccrual and impaired loans are discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements.

Nonaccrual loans and impaired loans were not material in relation to the portfolio as a whole in 2003. Management is aware of no trends, events or uncertainties that would cause a material adverse change in nonaccrual loans in 2004.

Potential Problem Loans

At December 31, 2003 the Corporation's internal loan review program had identified \$3,237,000 (1.0% of the portfolio) in various loans, not including loans identified as nonaccrual or 90 days past due and still accruing loans shown above, where information about credit problems of borrowers had caused management to have doubts about the ability of the borrowers to comply with original repayment terms. The amount identified does not represent management's estimate of the potential losses since a large portion of these loans are secured by real estate and other collateral.

Other Real Estate

Other real estate, consisting of foreclosed properties, was \$327,000, \$219,000, and \$267,000 as of December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. Other real estate is initially recorded at the lower of net loan balance or the property's estimated fair value, net of estimated disposal costs. The estimate of fair value for other real estate is determined by appraisal at the time of acquisition.

ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES

The table, "Analysis of the Allowance for Loan Losses," summarizes loan balances as of the end of each period indicated, averages for each period, changes in the allowance arising from mergers, charge-offs and recoveries by loan category, and additions to the allowance which have been charged to expense.

The allowance for loan losses is increased by the provision for loan losses, which is a direct charge to expense. Losses on specific loans are charged against the allowance in the period in which management determines that such loans become uncollectible. Recoveries of previously charged-off loans are credited to the allowance. See "The Application of Critical Accounting Policies - Provision and Allowance for Loan Losses."

Analysis of the Allowance for Loan Losses

Years Ended

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	2003 -----	2002 -----	2001 -----
			(Dollars in millions)
Total amount of loans outstanding at end of year	\$332,106 =====	\$306,484 =====	\$229,000 =====
Average amount of loans outstanding	\$340,518 =====	\$281,907 =====	\$211,000 =====
Allowance for loan losses - January 1	\$ 3,573 -----	\$ 2,830 -----	\$ 2,830 -----
Changes incident to merger activities	-	444	-
Loans charged-off			
Real estate	250	175	175
Installment	247	223	223
Credit cards and related plans	-	-	-
Commercial and other	163	374	374
Total charge-offs	660 -----	772 -----	772 -----
Recoveries			
Real Estate	105	1	1
Installment	58	20	20
Credit cards and related plans	-	-	-
Commercial	11	17	17
Total recoveries	174 -----	38 -----	38 -----
Net charge-offs	486 -----	734 -----	734 -----
Provision for loan losses charged to expense	1,119 -----	1,033 -----	1,033 -----
Allowance for loan losses - December 31	\$ 4,206 =====	\$ 3,573 =====	\$ 2,830 =====
Ratios			
Net charge-offs to average loans outstanding	0.14%	0.26%	0.26%
Net charge-offs to loans outstanding at end of	0.15%	0.24%	0.24%
year			
Allowance for loan losses to average loans	1.24%	1.27%	1.27%
Allowance for loan losses to total loans at end	1.27%	1.17%	1.17%
of year			
Net charge-offs to allowance for losses	11.55%	20.54%	20.54%
Net charge-offs to provision for loans losses	43.43%	71.06%	71.06%

The Corporation operates four independent community banks in South Carolina. Under the provisions of law and regulations governing banks, each bank's board of directors is responsible for determining the adequacy of its bank's loan loss allowance. In addition, each bank is supervised and regularly examined by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the "OCC") (or the South Carolina State Board of Financial Institutions (the "State Board") in the

case of the Ridgeway bank) or the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC"). As a normal part of a safety and soundness examination, bank examiners

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assess and comment on the adequacy of a bank's allowance for loan losses and may require that changes be made in the allowance. The allowance presented in the consolidated financial statements is on an aggregated basis and as such might differ from the allowance that would be presented if the Corporation had only one banking subsidiary.

The nature of community banking is such that the individual loan portfolios are predominantly composed of small and medium size business and individual loans. As community banks, there exists, by definition, a geographic concentration of loans within each Bank's respective city or county. Management at each bank monitors the loan concentrations and loan portfolio quality on an ongoing basis including, but not limited to: quarterly analysis of loan concentrations, monthly reporting of past dues, nonaccruals, and watch loans, and quarterly reporting of loan charge-offs and recoveries. These efforts focus on historical experience and are bolstered by quarterly analysis of local and state economic conditions, which are part of the Banks' assessment of the adequacy of their allowances for loan losses.

DEPOSITS

The average deposits for the Corporation for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 are summarized below:

Average Deposits

	Years Ended December			
	2003	2002		
	Average balance	Average cost	Average balance	Average cost
	-----	-----	-----	-----
(Dollars in thousands)				
Noninterest bearing demand	\$ 52,047	-	\$ 41,198	
Interest bearing transaction accounts	44,481	0.43%	41,101	0.43%
Savings-regular	20,998	0.53%	14,469	1.06%
Savings - money market	49,554	1.32%	41,321	1.32%
Time deposits less than \$100,000	122,488	2.58%	104,509	3.00%
Time deposits of \$100,000 or more	64,014	2.45%	58,003	3.00%
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Total average deposits	\$353,582		\$300,601	
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Deposits are the primary source of funds for the Banks' lending and investing activities. Deposits are attracted principally from customers within the Banks' local market areas through the offering of a variety of products with varying features and by offering competitive interest rates.

At December 31, 2003 the Corporation had \$68,388,000 in certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more. Approximately \$21,380,000 mature within three months, \$14,905,000 mature over three through six months, \$21,976,000 mature over six months through twelve months and \$10,127,000 mature after one year. This level of large time deposits, as well as the growth in other deposits, can be attributed to planned growth by management. The majority of time deposits \$100,000 and over is acquired within the Company's market areas in the ordinary course of business from customers with standing banking relationships. It is a

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common industry practice not to consider time deposits of \$100,000 or more as core deposits since their retention can be influenced heavily by rates offered. Therefore, such deposits have the characteristics of shorter-term purchased funds. Certificates of deposit \$100,000 and over require that the Corporation achieve and maintain an appropriate matching of maturity distributions and a diversification of sources to achieve an appropriate level of liquidity. The Corporation generally does not purchase brokered deposits.

SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS

The Corporation's short-term borrowings may consist of federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase, which generally have maturities ranging from daily to no more than ninety days, and warehouse and general purpose lines of credit payable. As of December 31, 2003, securities sold under agreements to repurchase totaled \$8,090,000. These amounts are

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secured by pledges of investment securities and the interest rate is subject to change daily. Warehouse lines of credit payable are used to fund loan production for CRM. General purpose lines of credit are used, when needed, to fund any operating needs of the Corporation and CRM.

At December 31, 2003, balances due under the warehouse lines of credit totaled \$7,743,000 and there was additional availability under those lines totaling \$32,257,000. Of the amount outstanding under the warehouse lines, \$6,749,000 was borrowed at the one month LIBOR rate plus 1.95% and \$994,000 bears interest at the one month LIBOR rate plus an additional 2.25% to 5.25% based upon the number of days that each underlying loan is outstanding. The warehouse lines are secured by substantially all of CRM's loans held-for-sale and are guaranteed by the Corporation.

The mortgage subsidiary has a \$3,000,000 unsecured line of credit with an unaffiliated lender which was used to support loans that it is currently servicing. These are loans that CRM intends to sell during 2004. As of December 31, 2003, the mortgage subsidiary had borrowed \$1,492,000 under this line. This line of credit is guaranteed by the Corporation and interest accrues at the prime rate. The Corporation has arranged for a \$700,000 unsecured line of credit with an unaffiliated lender which was used to purchase imaging technology. As of December 31, 2003, \$635,000 was outstanding under this line, with interest at the prime rate. Summary information about total short-term debt is provided in the following table.

	December 31,	
	2003	2002
	----	----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Outstanding at year-end	\$17,960	\$34,551
Interest rate at year-end	2.38%	3.93%
Interest expense	\$ 750	\$ 478
Maximum month-end balance during the year	\$39,379	\$40,474
Average amount outstanding during the year	\$29,026	\$18,712
Weighted average interest rate during the year	2.58%	2.55%

LONG-TERM DEBT

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The Corporation's banking subsidiaries are members of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta ("FHLB"). As such they have access to long-term borrowing from the FHLB. As of December 31, 2003, the Banks had borrowed a total of \$20,140,000 from the FHLB. The borrowings are secured by blanket liens on all qualifying first lien residential mortgage loans held by the Banks, specifically excluding such loans originated for resale on the secondary market.

RETURN ON EQUITY AND ASSETS

The following table shows the return on assets (net income divided by average total assets), return on equity (net income divided by average equity), dividend payout ratio (dividends declared per share divided by net income per share), and equity to assets ratio (average equity divided by average total assets) for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001.

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2001
Return on assets (ROA)	1.25%	1.43%	1.36%
Return on equity (ROE)	12.17%	15.10%	15.58%
Dividend payout ratio	27.48%	22.54%	23.14%
Equity as a percent of assets	10.25%	9.46%	8.71%

The decline in return on equity in 2003 is related to the issuance in July 2002 of one million shares of CBI common stock in connection with the acquisition of Ridgeway Bancshares, Inc. which were outstanding for all of 2003 but for only half of 2002.

LIQUIDITY

Liquidity is the ability to meet current and future obligations through liquidation or maturity of existing assets or the acquisition of additional liabilities. Adequate liquidity is necessary to meet the requirements of customers for loans and deposit withdrawals in a timely and economical manner. The most manageable sources of liquidity are composed of liabilities, with the primary focus of liquidity management being on the ability to attract deposits within the Banks' market areas. Core deposits (total deposits less certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more) provide a relatively stable funding base. Certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more are generally more sensitive to changes in rates, so they must be monitored carefully. Asset liquidity is provided by several sources, including amounts due from banks, federal funds sold, and investments available-for-sale.

The Corporation maintains an available-for-sale investment securities portfolio. While investment securities purchased for this portfolio are generally purchased with the intent to be held to maturity, such securities are marketable and occasional sales may occur prior to maturity as part of the process of asset/liability and liquidity management. The Corporation also occasionally designates securities as held-to-maturity. Securities in this portfolio are generally not considered a primary source of liquidity. Management deliberately maintains a relatively short-term maturity schedule for its

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investments so that there is a continuing stream of maturing investments. The Corporation intends to maintain a relatively short-term investment portfolio in order to continue to be able to supply liquidity to its loan portfolio and for customer withdrawals.

The Corporation has substantially more liabilities maturing in the next 12 months than it has assets maturing in the same period. The Corporation also has legal obligations to extend credit pursuant to loan commitments, lines of credit and standby letters of credit which totaled \$15,501,000, \$36,735,000, and \$4,489,000, respectively, at December 31, 2003 (see Note 15 to the consolidated financial statements). However, based on its historical experience, and that of similar companies, the Corporation believes that it is unlikely that so many deposits would be withdrawn, without being replaced by other deposits, and extensions of credit would be required, that the Corporation would be unable to meet its liquidity needs with the proceeds of maturing assets, in the ordinary course of business.

The Corporation also maintains various federal funds lines of credit with correspondent banks and is able to borrow from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta and the Federal Reserve's discount window.

The Corporation, through its Banks, has a demonstrated ability to attract deposits from its market area. Deposits grew from \$184,364,000 as of December 31, 1999 to \$378,704,000 as of December 31, 2003. This consistently growing base of deposits is the major source of operating liquidity.

In the opinion of management, the current and projected liquidity position is adequate.

CAPITAL

Dividends

The Corporation exists as a legal entity distinct from its subsidiaries. Its main sources of revenues consist of service fees and dividends paid to it by the Banks. The Banks are subject to various laws and regulations that limit the amounts of dividends that they may pay. In addition, the Corporation and the Banks are each subject to regulatory minimum capital adequacy guidelines. These regulatory restrictions have not historically hindered the Corporation's or the Banks' ability to pay reasonable dividends and no such future restrictions are anticipated. During the year ended December 31, 2003, the Corporation received dividends from the Banks totaling \$1,741,000. Subject to restrictions imposed by state laws and federal regulations, the Boards of Directors of the Banks could have declared additional dividends from their retained earnings of up to \$9,092,000 as of December 31, 2003.

Capital Adequacy

The Federal Reserve and federal bank regulatory agencies have adopted risk-based capital standards for assessing the capital adequacy of bank holding companies and financial institutions. Under the risk-based capital requirements, the Corporation and each of the Banks are required to maintain a minimum ratio of capital to risk-weighted assets (including certain off-balance-sheet activities, such as letters of credit) of 8%. At least half of total capital must be composed of common equity, retained earnings and qualifying perpetual

preferred stock and certain hybrid instruments, less certain intangibles ("Tier

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1 Capital"). The remainder may consist of certain subordinated debt or hybrid capital instruments, qualified preferred stock and a limited amount of the allowance for loan losses ("Tier 2 Capital," which, along with Tier 1 Capital, composes "Total Capital"). Unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities generally are excluded from the calculation of the risk-based capital ratios. To be considered well-capitalized under the risk-based capital guidelines, an institution must maintain a total risk-weighted capital ratio of at least 10% and a Tier 1 risk-weighted ratio of at least 6%.

Each of the Federal bank regulatory agencies also has established minimum leverage capital requirements for banking organizations. Pursuant to these requirements, banking organizations generally must maintain a minimum ratio of Tier 1 Capital to adjusted average quarterly assets equal to from 4% to 5%, subject to federal bank regulatory evaluation of the institution's overall safety and soundness.

Federal regulators may categorize an institution as less than well-capitalized based on subjective criteria. Management believes that there are no conditions or events that would cause the Corporation's or the Banks' capital category to be other than resulting from meeting the minimum ratio requirements.

Under the risk-based capital standards and pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991, federal bank regulatory agencies are required to implement prescribed "prompt corrective actions" if an institution's capital position deteriorates to specified levels. The corrective actions become increasingly stringent as the capital position continues to deteriorate.

The Banks are each considered to be 'well capitalized' for regulatory purposes. Detailed information on the Corporation's and the Banks' capital positions can be found in Note 19 to the consolidated financial statements.

The mortgage subsidiary is also subject to minimum capital requirements to maintain its certification as a HUD-approved Title II Loan Correspondent. Certain investor and warehouse credit line agreements require that the mortgage subsidiary maintain its HUD certification. Failure of CRM to meet its capital requirements could result in a significant limitation of the mortgage subsidiary's ability to originate, fund or sell loans, and therefore could have a direct, material adverse effect on its business and the consolidated financial statements. As of December 31, 2003, CRM exceeded its minimum regulatory capital requirement by approximately \$1,439,000.

During the first quarter of 2004, the Corporation acquired \$9,815,000 in proceeds from the issuance of trust preferred securities. Of this amount, \$3,000,000 was used to provide additional capital to two of the Banks, approximately \$1,400,000 was used to repay a short-term line of credit of the mortgage subsidiary and approximately \$635,000 was used to repay the Corporation's short-term borrowings. The remainder will be used for the Corporation's general corporate purposes. Under current Federal Reserve policy, the Corporation is allowed to treat the trust preferred securities, subject to certain limitations, as capital for capital adequacy purposes.

INFLATION

The assets and liabilities of the Corporation are mostly monetary in nature. Accordingly, the financial results and operations of the Corporation are much more affected by changes in interest rates than changes in inflation. There is, however, a strong correlation between increasing inflation and increasing interest rates. The rate of inflation has been very moderate over the past several years, about 2.3% in 2003 and 1.6% in 2002. Prospects appear reasonable

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for continued low inflation, despite some risk related to energy prices and the political and military situation in the Middle East. Although inflation does not normally affect a financial institution as dramatically as it does businesses with large investments in plants and inventories, it does have an effect. During periods of high inflation there are usually corresponding increases in the money supply and banks experience above-average growth in assets, loans, and deposits. General increases in the prices of goods and services also result in increased operating expenses.

OFF-BALANCE-SHEET ARRANGEMENTS, CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND COMMITMENTS

The Company presently engages in only limited off-balance sheet arrangements. Such arrangements are defined as potentially material transactions, agreements, or other contractual arrangements which the Company has entered into that involve an entity that is not consolidated into its financial statements and, under which the Company, whether or not it is a party to the arrangement, has, or in the future may have:

- o any obligation under a direct or indirect guarantee or similar arrangement;

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- o a retained or contingent interest in assets transferred to an unconsolidated entity or similar arrangement;
- o derivatives, to the extent that the fair value thereof is not fully reflected as a liability or asset in the financial statements; or
- o any obligation or liability, including a contingent obligation or liability, to the extent that it is not fully reflected in the financial statements (excluding the footnotes thereto).

The Company's off-balance sheet arrangements presently include only commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. Such instruments have elements of credit risk in excess of the amount recognized in the balance sheet. The exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other parties to these instruments is represented by the contractual, or notional, amount of those instruments. Generally, the same credit policies used for on-balance sheet instruments, such as loans, are used in extending loan commitments and letters of credit. The following table sets out the contractual or notional amounts of those arrangements:

	December 31,	
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	2003	2002
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	(Dollars in thousands)	
Loan commitments	\$15,501	\$14,603
Unfunded commitments under lines of credit	36,735	20,493
Standby letters of credit	4,489	2,506

Loan commitments involve agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and some involve payment of a fee. Many of the commitments are expected to expire without being fully drawn; therefore, the total amount of loan commitments does not necessarily represent future cash requirements. Each customer's creditworthiness is evaluated on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained, if any,

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upon extension of credit is based on management's credit evaluation of the borrower. Collateral held varies but may include commercial and residential real properties, accounts receivable, inventory and equipment.

Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. The credit risk involved in issuing standby letters of credit is the same as that involved in making loan commitments to customers.

As described under "Liquidity," management believes that its various sources of liquidity provide the resources necessary for the Banks to fund the loan commitments and to perform under standby letters of credit, if the need arises. Neither the Company nor the Banks are involved in other off-balance sheet contractual relationships or transactions that could result in liquidity needs or other commitments or significantly impact earnings.

The Corporation's contractual cash obligations are summarized in the following table. Other commitments include commitments to lend money. Not all of these commitments are expected to be drawn upon; thus, the actual cash requirements are expected to be less than the amounts reported in the table.

		December 31, 2012	
	Total	Less Than 1 Year	Payments 1 to 3 Years
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(Dollars in thousands)			
Contractual Cash Obligations			
Time deposits	\$184,930	\$151,972	\$ 29,960
Long-term debt	20,140	70	1,870
Operating lease obligations	2,791	182	360
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Total	\$207,861	\$152,224	\$ 32,200
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THE APPLICATION OF CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements are based on the selection and application of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which require management to make estimates and assumptions about future events that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Future events and their effects cannot be determined with absolute certainty. Therefore, the determination of estimates requires the exercise of judgment. Actual results could differ from those estimates, and any such differences may be material to the financial statements. Management believes that the following policy may involve a higher degree of judgment and complexity in its application and represents the critical accounting policy used in the preparation of the Corporation's financial statements. If different assumptions or conditions were to prevail, the results could be materially different from the reported results.

Provision and Allowance for Loan Losses

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The Corporation is required to estimate the collectibility of its loan portfolio as of each accounting period end and, as a result, provide for an allowance for possible loan losses. The allowance for loan losses is increased by the provision for loan losses charged to expense, and any recoveries received on loans previously charged off. The allowance is decreased by deducting the amount of uncollectible loans charged off.

A considerable amount of judgment is required in order to compute an estimate of the amount of the allowance for loan losses. Management's judgments must be applied in assessing the current creditworthiness of the Corporation's borrowers and in estimating uncertain future events and their effects based on currently known facts and circumstances. Changes in the estimated allowance for loan losses arising as new events occur or more information is obtained are accounted for as changes in accounting estimates in the accounting period in which such a change occurs.

Management reviews its allowance for loan losses utilizing three broad categories: commercial, real estate and loans to individuals. Within these categories, the allowance for loan losses is composed of specific and general amounts. Specific allowance amounts are provided for individual loans based on management's evaluation of the Corporation's loss exposure taking into account the current payment status, underlying collateral and other known information about the borrower's circumstances. Typically, these loans are identified as impaired or nonperforming, or have been assigned internal risk grades of management attention, special mention, substandard or doubtful. General amounts are provided for all other loans, excluding those for which specific amounts were determined, by applying estimated loss percentages to the portfolio categorized using risk grades. These percentages are based on management's current evaluation with consideration given to historical loss experience, general national and local economic and business conditions affecting key lending market areas, credit quality trends, collateral values, loan volumes, portfolio seasoning, and any identified credit concentrations. The findings of internal and external credit reviews and results from external audits and regulatory examinations are also considered.

The following table presents the allocation of the allowance for loan losses, as of December 31, 1999 through 2003, compared with the percent of loans in the applicable categories to total loans.

	2003	2002	Dece
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			(Dollars
Allowance allocated to loan category			
Commercial, financial and agricultural	\$1,796	\$1,479	\$
Real estate	1,800	1,548	
Loans to individuals	610	546	
	-----	-----	
Total	\$4,206	\$3,573	\$
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	2003 ----	2002 ----
Percentage of loans in category		
Commercial, financial and agricultural	25.5%	25.5%
Real estate	63.9%	62.6%
Loans to individuals	10.6%	11.9%
	-----	-----
Total	100.0%	100.0%
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The Corporation utilizes its risk grading system for all loans held in the portfolio. This system involves the Corporation's lending officers' assigning a risk grade, on a loan-by-loan basis, considering information about the borrower's capacity to repay, collateral, payment history, and other known factors. Risk grades assigned are updated monthly for any known changes in circumstances affecting the borrower or the loan. The risk grading system is monitored on a continuing basis by management and the Corporation's external credit review consultant who is independent of the lending function.

The provision for loan losses charged to expense increased in 2003 to \$1,119,000 after increasing significantly to \$1,033,000 in 2002 compared with \$650,000 in 2001. The allowance for loan losses at the end of 2003 was \$4,206,000, up \$633,000 or 17.7% as compared with the allowance of \$3,573,000 as of the end of 2002. As a percentage of total loans outstanding at year end, the allowance for loan losses stood at 1.27%, 1.17% and 1.23% for 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. Net loan charge-offs decreased to \$486,000 in 2003, a decrease of 33.8% from the 2002 amount. In 2002, net charge-offs increased to \$734,000 or 169.9% over the 2001 amount. As of the end of 2003, non-performing loans (nonaccrual and accruing loans 90 days or more past due) grew to \$2,741,000, up from \$2,536,000 and \$298,000 at the end of 2002 and 2001, respectively. Potential problem loans, exclusive of non-performing loans, grew to \$3,237,000 at the end of 2003, compared with \$2,737,000 and \$1,386,000 at the end of 2002 and 2001, respectively.

As of December 31, 2003 and 2002, approximately \$1,350,000, or 49% and 53%, respectively, of the Corporation's nonperforming loans consisted of one loan relationship. That company's principals have been involved in a legal dispute among themselves. The Corporation collected all amounts due under this contract during the first quarter of 2004.

While management believes that the local economies within its market areas remain relatively healthy, there are concerns that if the current apparent recovery from the recent national economic downturn that began in 2001 and continued throughout 2002 and 2003 is not sustained, there eventually might be more noticeable effect locally. Loan growth has also been a contributing factor toward the increased provisions for loan losses in 2003 and 2002. Total year end loans grew 8.4% and 33.3% in 2003 and 2002, respectively (includes effects of the acquisition of Ridgeway Bancshares, Inc. in July, 2002).

Management has established loan and credit policies and practices that are designed to control credit risks as a part of the loan underwriting process. These policies and practices include, for example, requirements for minimum loan to collateral value ratios, real estate appraisal requirements and obtaining credit and financial information on borrowers. However, if the capacity for borrowers to repay and/or collateral values should deteriorate subsequent to the underwriting process, the estimate of the provision and allowance for loan losses might have to increase, thereby decreasing net income and shareholders'

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equity. During 2003 and 2002, the total of loans secured by real estate mortgages increased by \$65,561,000 from \$146,559,000 at the end of 2001 to \$212,120,000 by the end of 2003. Any significant, prolonged downturn in national

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and local economic and business conditions could negatively affect the borrowers' capacity to repay these loans as well as the value of the underlying collateral. This scenario would be likely to substantially increase the level of impaired or non-performing loans and non-earning foreclosed real estate, and increase overall credit risk by shrinking the margin of collateral values as compared with loans outstanding. Another factor that could adversely affect borrowers' ability to make payments in accordance with loan terms is the potential for increases in rates charged for loans. The Corporation has a significant amount of variable rate loans outstanding. In addition, some loans are refinanced at maturity rather than being paid out in a lump sum. If interest rates were to increase sharply in a short time period, some loan customers might not be able to afford payments on loans made or repriced at the higher resulting interest rates, nor would they necessarily be able to obtain more favorable terms elsewhere. This could also cause an increase in the amounts of impaired or non-performing assets and other credit risks.

Management believes that the allowance for loan losses, as of December 31, 2003, is sufficient to absorb any losses inherent in the loan portfolio. Management will continue to monitor closely the levels of non-performing and potential problem loans and will address the weaknesses in those credits to enhance the amount of ultimate collection or recovery of these assets

IMPACT OF RECENT ACCOUNTING CHANGES

Other-Than-Temporary Impairment of Certain Investments In November 2003, the Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") reached consensus on Issue No. 03-1, "The Meaning of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment and Its Application to Certain Investments." EITF Issue 03-1 requires tabular disclosure of the amounts of unrealized losses and the related estimated fair values of investments with unrealized losses aggregated for each category of investment that is disclosed in accordance with SFAS No. 115. In addition, it requires sufficient narrative disclosure to allow financial statement users to understand both the aggregated tabular information and the positive and negative information considered in reaching the conclusion that the impairments are not other-than-temporary. See Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements for the required disclosure.

The effects of other recent accounting changes are discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Market risk is the risk of loss from adverse changes in market prices and rates. The Corporation's market risk arises principally from interest rate risk inherent in its lending, deposit and borrowing activities. Management actively monitors and manages its interest rate risk exposure. Although the Corporation manages other risks, such as credit quality and liquidity risk in the normal course of business, management considers interest rate risk to be its most significant market risk and this risk could potentially have the largest material effect on the Corporation's financial condition and results of operations. Other types of market risks such as foreign currency exchange risk and commodity price risk do not arise in the normal course of community banking activities.

Achieving consistent growth in net interest income is the primary goal

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of the Corporation's asset/liability function. The Corporation attempts to control the mix and maturities of assets and liabilities to achieve consistent growth in net interest income despite changes in market interest rates. The Corporation seeks to accomplish this goal while maintaining adequate liquidity and capital. The Corporation's asset/liability mix is sufficiently balanced so that the effect of interest rates moving in either direction is not expected to be material over time.

The Corporation's Asset/Liability Committee uses a simulation model to assist in achieving consistent growth in net interest income while managing interest rate risk. The model takes into account interest rate changes as well as changes in the mix and volume of assets and liabilities. The model simulates the Corporation's balance sheet and income statement under several different rate scenarios. The model's inputs (such as interest rates and levels of loans and deposits) are updated on a quarterly basis in order to obtain the most accurate forecast possible. The forecast presents information over a twelve-month period. It reports a base case in which interest rates remain flat and variations that occur when rates increase and decrease 100, 200 and 300 basis points. According to the model, as of December 31, 2003 the Corporation is positioned so that net interest income would increase \$434,000 and net income would increase \$267,000 if interest rates were to rise 100 basis points in the next twelve months. Conversely, net interest income would decline \$434,000 and net income would decline \$267,000 if interest rates were to decline 100 basis points. Computation of prospective effects of hypothetical interest rate changes are based on numerous assumptions, including relative levels of market interest rates and loan prepayment, and should not be relied upon as indicative of actual results. Further, the computations do not contemplate any actions the Corporation could undertake in response to changes in interest rates or the effects of responses by others, including borrowers and depositors.

The following table summarizes the Corporation's interest sensitivity position as of December 31, 2003.

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Interest Sensitivity Analysis

	Within 3 months -----	Within 4-12 months -----	Within 1 year -----
			(Dollars in t
Interest earning assets			
Interest bearing deposits with banks	\$ 1,124	\$ -	\$ -
Taxable investment securities	2,218	1,247	35,
Tax exempt investment securities	439	351	3,
Federal funds sold	25,321	-	
Loans held for sale (1)	8,411	-	
Loans, net of unearned income	152,551	27,256	118,
	-----	-----	-----
Total interest earning assets	190,064	28,854	157,
	-----	-----	-----
Interest bearing liabilities			
Savings	\$ 77,216	\$ -	\$ -
Interest bearing transaction accounts	57,221	-	
Time deposits	51,404	100,569	32,
Short term borrowings	17,960	-	

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Long-term debt	-	-	5,
	-----	-----	-----
Total interest bearing liabilities	203,801	100,569	38,
	-----	-----	-----
Interest sensitivity gap	\$ (13,737)	\$ (71,715)	\$ 119,
Cumulative gap	\$ (13,737)	\$ (85,452)	\$ 33,
RSA/RSL (2)	93%	29%	
Cumulative RSA/RSL (2)	93%	72%	

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- (1) Loans held for sale are reflected in the period of expected sale.
(2) RSA- rate sensitive assets; RSL- rate sensitive liabilities

The above table reflects the balances of interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities at the earlier of their repricing or maturity dates. Amortizing fixed rate loans are reflected at the scheduled maturity date. Variable rate amortizing loans are reflected at the earliest date at which they may be repriced contractually. Deposits in other banks and debt securities are reflected at each instrument's ultimate maturity date. Overnight federal funds sold are reflected as instantly repriceable. Interest bearing liabilities with no contractual maturity, such as savings deposits and interest bearing transaction accounts, are reflected in the earliest repricing period possible. Fixed rate time deposits are reflected at their maturity dates.

The static interest rate sensitivity gap position, while not a complete measure of interest sensitivity, is also reviewed periodically to provide insights related to the static repricing structure of the Banks' assets and liabilities. At December 31, 2003 on a cumulative basis through twelve months, rate sensitive liabilities exceeded rate sensitive assets by \$85,452,000. The liability sensitive position is largely due to the assumption that the Banks' \$134,437,000 in interest bearing transaction accounts, savings accounts, and money market accounts will reprice within a year. This assumption may or may not be valid, since these accounts vary greatly in their sensitivity to interest rate changes in the market. Rising interest rates would be likely to diminish net interest income of banks in a liability sensitive position if the assumption is valid and in the absence of factors which would be likely to occur.

The Market Risk table, which follows this discussion, shows the Corporation's financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in interest rates. The Corporation uses certain assumptions to estimate fair values and expected maturities. For assets, expected maturities are based upon contractual maturity, projected repayments, and prepayment of principal and potential calls. For core deposits without contractual maturity (i.e., interest checking, savings and money market accounts), the table presents principal cash flows based on management's judgment concerning their most likely runoff. The actual maturities and runoff could vary substantially if future prepayments, runoff and calls differ from the Corporation's historical experience.

		December 31, 2003				

2003 Year- End Average Rate	-----	Expected Maturity / Runoff				
	-----	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008

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						(Dollars in thousands)
Interest earning assets						
Interest bearing deposits with banks	0.85%	\$ 1,124	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Investment securities	3.15%	49,116	1,791	3,126	2,311	4,900
Federal funds sold	0.94%	25,321	-	-	-	-
Loans held for sale	7.50%	8,411	-	-	-	-
Loans, gross	6.24%	107,129	30,885	45,567	42,691	49,200
Interest bearing liabilities						
Savings	0.52%	\$ 77,216	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest bearing transaction accounts	0.68%	57,221	-	-	-	-
Time deposits	2.25%	151,972	25,086	4,877	2,576	4,900
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total interest bearing deposits	1.55%	286,409	25,086	4,877	2,576	4,900
Short term borrowings	2.38%	17,960	-	-	-	-
Long-term debt	5.53%	70	1,370	500	1,000	2,500

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Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

COMMUNITY BANKSHARES, INC.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Shareholders and
Board of Directors of
Community Bankshares, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Community Bankshares, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2003. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Corporation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Community Bankshares, Inc. and subsidiaries at December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2003, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Columbia, South Carolina
January 22, 2004

s\ J. W. Hunt and Company LLP

COMMUNITY BANKSHARES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

Assets

Cash and due from banks	
Federal funds sold	
Total cash and cash equivalents	
Interest-bearing deposits with other banks	
Securities available-for-sale	
Securities held-to-maturity (fair value approximates \$2,155 for 2003)	
Other investments	
Loans held for sale	
Loans receivable, net of allowance for loan losses of \$4,206 for 2003 and \$3,573 for 2002	
Premises and equipment - net	
Accrued interest receivable	
Net deferred income tax assets	
Intangible assets	
Prepaid expenses and other assets	
Total assets	

Liabilities

Deposits	
Demand, non interest-bearing	
Interest-bearing transaction accounts	
Savings	
Certificates of deposit of \$100 and over	
Other time deposits	
Total deposits	
Short-term borrowings	
Long-term debt	
Accrued interest payable	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	
Total liabilities	

Commitments and contingent liabilities

Shareholders' equity

Common stock - no par value, 12,000,000 authorized shares; issued and outstanding - 4,331,460 shares for 2003 and 4,304,384 shares for 2002	
Retained earnings	

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Accumulated other comprehensive income	
Total shareholders' equity	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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COMMUNITY BANKSHARES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	2003	

		(Dollar
Interest and dividend income		
Loans, including fees	\$ 22,234	
Interest bearing deposits with other banks	19	
Debt securities		
Taxable	1,341	
Tax exempt	322	
Dividends	73	
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	279	
Total interest and dividend income	24,268	
Interest expense		
Deposits		
Interest-bearing transaction accounts	193	
Savings	766	
Certificates of deposit of \$100 and over	1,568	
Certificates of deposit of less than \$100	3,160	
Total interest on deposits	5,687	
Short-term borrowings	750	
Long-term debt	1,123	
Total interest expense	7,560	
Net interest income	16,708	
Provision for loan losses	1,119	
Net interest income after provision	15,589	
Noninterest income		
Service charges on deposit accounts	3,349	
Mortgage brokerage income	5,198	
Gains (losses) on sales of securities	(252)	
Deposit box rent	50	
Bank card fees	32	
Credit life insurance commissions	77	

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Other	671

Total noninterest income	9,125

Noninterest expenses	
Salaries and employee benefits	9,657
Premises and equipment	1,804
Marketing	441
Regulatory fees	233
Supplies	337
Director fees	283
FDIC insurance	54
Other	3,123

Total noninterest expenses	15,932

Income before income taxes	8,782
Provision for income taxes	3,147

Net income	\$ 5,635
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Earnings per share	
Basic	\$ 1.31
Diluted	\$ 1.27

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COMMUNITY BANKSHARES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Common Stock		Retain
	Number of	Amount	Earnin
	Shares		
	-----	-----	-----
		(Dollars in thousands,	
Balance, January 1, 2001	3,199,180	\$ 15,928	\$ 7,3
Comprehensive income			
Net income	-	-	3,9
Unrealized holding gains arising during the period, net of income tax effects of \$81	-	-	
Reclassification adjustment, net of income tax effects of \$11	-	-	
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	
Total comprehensive income	-	-	
Common stock issued in purchase of Resource Mortgage, Inc., net			

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of issuance costs of \$42	95,454	1,241	
Exercise of stock options	5,040	39	
Cash dividends (\$.28 per share)	-	-	(9)
	-----	-----	-----
Balance, December 31, 2001	3,299,674	17,208	10,3
Comprehensive income			
Net income	-	-	5,4
Unrealized holding gains arising during the period, net of income tax effects of \$102	-	-	
Reclassification adjustment, net of income tax effects of \$43	-	-	
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	
Total comprehensive income	-	-	
Common stock issued in purchase of Ridgeway Bancshares, Inc., net of issuance costs of \$178			
	1,000,000	11,842	
Exercise of stock options	4,710	40	
Cash dividends (\$.32 per share)	-	-	(1,2)
	-----	-----	-----
Balance, December 31, 2002	4,304,384	29,090	14,5
Comprehensive income			
Net income	-	-	5,6
Unrealized holding losses arising during the period, net of income tax effects of \$113	-	-	
Reclassification adjustment, net of income tax effects of \$91	-	-	
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	-	-	
Total comprehensive income	-	-	
Exercise of stock options	27,076	312	
Cash dividends (\$.36 per share)	-	-	(1,5)
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Balance, December 31, 2003	4,331,460	\$ 29,402	\$ 18,6
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

COMMUNITY BANKSHARES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Operating activities

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Net income	\$ 5,6
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities	
Provision for loan losses	1,1
Depreciation	7
Amortization of definite-lived purchased intangibles	2
Deferred income taxes	4
Securities accretion and premium amortization	2
(Gain) loss on sale of available-for-sale securities	(1)
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest receivable	(4)
(Decrease) increase in accrued interest payable	(293,7
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses and other assets	309,9
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses and other liabilities	-----
Originations of loans held for sale	24,1
Proceeds of sales of loans held for sale	-----
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	(6
Investing activities	
Net (increase) decrease in interest-bearing deposits with other banks	(2,0
Purchases of held-to-maturity securities	(80,6
Purchases of available-for-sale securities	64,1
Maturities of held-to-maturity securities	2,0
Maturities of available-for-sale securities	(3
Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale securities	2
Purchases of other investments	(26,0
Proceeds from sales of other investments	(1,3
Acquisitions accounted for using the purchase method	-----
Cash paid in connection with purchase acquisition	(44,5
Net increase in loans made to customers	-----
Purchases of premises and equipment	(1,5
Net cash used by investing activities	-----
Financing activities	
Net increase in deposits	41,6
Net (decrease) increase in short-term borrowings	(16,5
Repayments of long-term debt	(
Exercise of stock options	3
Issuance costs of common stock in business combinations	(1,5
Cash dividends paid	-----
Net cash provided by financing activities	23,7
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	3,3
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	38,5
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	\$ 41,8
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information	
Cash payments for interest expense	\$ 7,7
Cash payments for income taxes	3,0
Supplemental disclosures of non-cash investing activities	
Transfers of loans receivable to other real estate	\$ 3
Fair value of common stock issued in business combinations	(
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

COMMUNITY BANKSHARES, INC.
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION

Community Bankshares, Inc. (the "Corporation"), was organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina and was chartered as a business corporation on November 30, 1992. Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Bank Holding Company Act, an application was filed with and approved by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the Corporation to become a bank holding company by the acquisition of Orangeburg National Bank (ONB).

In June 1996, Sumter National Bank (SNB), and in July 1998, Florence National Bank (FNB), commenced operations in Sumter and Florence, South Carolina, respectively, following approval by the Comptroller of the Currency and other regulators. Upon completion of their organization, the common stock of SNB and FNB was acquired by the Corporation.

In November 2001, the Corporation acquired all the common stock of Resource Mortgage Inc., a Columbia, South Carolina based mortgage company. The Corporation issued 95,454 shares of its common stock in exchange for 100% of the common stock of Resource Mortgage Inc. The subsidiary was renamed Community Resource Mortgage, Inc. (CRM).

In July 2002, Ridgeway Bancshares, Inc., the holding company for the Bank of Ridgeway (BOR), merged into the Corporation. The Corporation issued 1,000,000 shares of its common stock and paid \$4,000,000 cash in exchange for 100% of the common stock of Ridgeway Bancshares, Inc. The transaction was consummated on July 1, 2002.

The Banks and CRM operate as wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Corporation with separate Boards of Directors and operating policies and they provide a variety of financial services to individuals and businesses throughout South Carolina. The primary deposit products are checking, savings and term certificate accounts. The primary lending products are consumer, commercial and mortgage loans.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

PRINCIPLES OF CONSOLIDATION The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Corporation and its subsidiaries. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

USE OF ESTIMATES The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the balance sheet and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change in the near term relate to the determination of the allowance for loan losses.

SIGNIFICANT GROUP CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK Most of the Corporation's activities are with customers located within South Carolina. Note 4 discusses

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the types of securities the Corporation purchases. Note 6 discusses the types of lending in which the Corporation engages. The Banks grant commercial, consumer and residential loans to customers throughout South Carolina. Although the Banks have diversified loan portfolios, a substantial portion of their debtors' ability to honor their contracts is dependent upon the economies of various South Carolina communities. The mortgage company originates and sells loans into the secondary market; it sometimes maintains loans for its own portfolio on a limited basis.

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS For purposes of the consolidated statements of cash flows, the Corporation has defined cash and cash equivalents as those amounts included in the balance sheets under the caption, "Cash and due from banks" and "Federal funds sold," all of which mature within ninety days.

INTEREST-BEARING DEPOSITS WITH OTHER BANKS Interest-bearing deposits with other banks generally mature within one year and are carried at cost.

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SECURITIES Securities that management has both the ability and positive intent to hold to maturity are classified as held-to-maturity and carried at cost, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discounts using methods approximating the interest method. The Corporation has made a management decision generally to avoid acquiring further held-to-maturity securities. Securities that may be sold prior to maturity for asset/liability management purposes, or that may be sold in response to changes in interest rates, changes in prepayment risk, increase in regulatory capital, or other similar factors, are classified as available-for-sale and are carried at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses on securities available-for-sale are excluded from earnings and reported in other comprehensive income. Gains and losses on the sale of securities available-for-sale are recorded on the trade date and are determined using the specific identification method. Declines in the fair value of held-to-maturity and available-for-sale securities below their cost that are deemed to be other-than-temporary are reflected in earnings as realized losses.

Interest and dividends on securities, including the amortization of premiums and the accretion of discounts, are reported in interest and dividends on securities.

No securities are being held for short-term resale; therefore, the Corporation does not currently use a trading account classification.

LOANS HELD FOR SALE The Corporation originates loans held for sale, generally without recourse, to other financial institutions under commitments or other arrangements in place prior to loan origination. Sales are completed at or near the loan origination date.

Loans originated and intended for sale in the secondary market are generally residential mortgage loans and are carried at the lower of cost or estimated fair value in the aggregate. Gains and losses, if any, on the sale of such loans are determined using the specific identification method. All fees and other income from these activities are recognized in income when loan sales are completed.

LOANS RECEIVABLE The Corporation grants mortgage, commercial and consumer loans to customers. The ability of the Corporation's debtors to honor their contracts is dependent upon the general economic conditions in its market areas. Loans receivable that management has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity or pay-off generally are carried at principal amounts outstanding, increased or reduced by deferred net loan costs

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or fees and any unamortized purchase premiums or discounts. Interest income on loans is recognized using the interest method based upon the principal amounts outstanding. Loan origination and commitment fees and certain direct loan origination costs (principally salaries and employee benefits) are deferred and amortized as an adjustment of the related loan's yield. Generally, these amounts are amortized over the contractual life of the related loans or commitments.

The accrual of interest on mortgage and commercial loans is discontinued at the time the loan is 90 days delinquent unless the credit is well collateralized and in process of collection. Residential real estate loans are typically placed on nonaccrual at the time the loan is 120 days delinquent. Unsecured personal credit lines and certain consumer finance loans are typically charged off no later than the time the loan is 180 days delinquent.

Other consumer loans are charged off at the time the loan is 120 days delinquent. Generally, loans are placed on nonaccrual or charged off at an earlier date if collection of principal or interest is considered doubtful.

All interest accrued but not collected for loans that are placed on nonaccrual or charged off is reversed against interest income. The interest on these loans is accounted for on the cash basis or cost recovery method, until qualifying for return to accrual status. Loans are returned to accrual status when all the principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES The allowance for loan losses is established through a provision for loan losses charged against earnings as losses are estimated to have occurred. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectibility of a loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance.

The allowance for loan losses is evaluated on a regular basis by management and is based upon management's periodic review of the collectibility of the loans in light of historical experience, the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrowers' ability to repay, estimated value of any underlying collateral, and prevailing economic conditions. This

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evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available. Management of each Bank reviews its allowance for loan losses in three broad categories: commercial and industrial, loans secured by real estate and loans to individuals, and assigns an estimated percentage factor to each in the determination of the estimate of the allowance for loan losses. Where the Banks' internal and external loan review programs identify loans that are subject to specific weaknesses such loans are reviewed for a specific loan loss allowance.

A loan is considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that the Corporation will be unable to collect the scheduled payments of principal or interest when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include payment status, collateral value, and the probability of collecting scheduled principal and interest payments when due. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls generally are not classified as impaired. Management determines the significance of payment delays and payment shortfalls on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all of the known circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of the delay, the reasons for the delay, the borrower's prior payment record, and the amount of the shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed.

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Impairment is measured on a loan-by-loan basis for commercial and construction loans by either the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, the loan's obtainable market price, or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent.

Large groups of smaller balance homogeneous loans are collectively evaluated for impairment. Accordingly, the Corporation does not separately identify individual consumer and residential loans for impairment disclosures.

DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

On January 1, 2001, the Corporation adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, as amended. This Statement requires that all derivatives be recognized as assets or liabilities in the balance sheet and measured at fair value.

In April, 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement No. 149, "Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." Among other requirements, this Statement provides that loan commitment contracts entered into or modified after June 30, 2003 that relate to the origination of mortgage loans that will be held for sale shall be accounted for as derivative instruments by the issuer of the loan commitment. The Corporation issues mortgage loan rate lock commitments to potential borrowers to facilitate its origination of home mortgage loans that are intended to be sold. Between the time that the Corporation issues its commitments and the time that the loans close and are sold, the Corporation is subject to variability in the selling prices related to those commitments due to changes in market rates of interest. However, the Corporation offsets this variability through the use of so-called "forward sales contracts" to investors in the secondary market. Under these arrangements, an investor agrees to purchase the closed loans at a predetermined price. The Corporation generally enters into such forward sales contracts at the same time that rate lock commitments are issued. These arrangements are designated as fair value hedges. These derivative financial instruments are carried in the balance sheet at estimated fair value and changes in the estimated fair values of these derivatives are recorded in the statement of income in net gains or losses on loans held for sale. Because the Corporation has effectively matched its forward sales contracts to investors and rate lock commitments to potential borrowers, no net gains or losses due to changes in market interest rates have been recorded in the statement of income for 2003.

Derivative financial instruments are written in amounts referred to as notional amounts. Notional amounts provide only the basis for calculating payments between counterparties and do not represent amounts to be exchanged between parties or a measure of financial risk. The table below presents the notional principal amounts of rate lock commitments and forward sales contracts as of December 31, 2003, and the estimated fair values of those financial instruments included in other assets and liabilities in the balance sheet as of that date.

	Notional -----
Commitments to originate loans to be held for sale	\$ (8,
Forward sales commitments	8,

Total	\$

The SEC staff has indicated that all loan commitments related to mortgage loans that will be held for sale and that are originated after March 31, 2004 must be considered to be written options from the prospective lender's perspective. Therefore, the prospective lender thereafter must report the fair values of such written options as a liability, with an offsetting expense recognized to the extent that compensation has not been received, in the prospective lender's financial statements. Such commitments would continue to be reported as liabilities until expiration or fulfillment of the commitment. Adoption of this accounting change is not expected to have any material adverse or beneficial effect on the Corporation's financial condition or its results of operation.

STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, encourages all entities to adopt a fair value based method of accounting for employee stock compensation plans, whereby compensation cost is measured at the grant date based on the value of the award and is recognized over the service period, which is usually the vesting period. However, it also allows an entity to continue to measure compensation cost for those plans using the intrinsic value based method of accounting prescribed by Accounting Principles Board ("APB") Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," whereby compensation cost is the excess, if any, of the quoted market price of the stock at the grant date (or other measurement date) over the amount an employee must pay to acquire the stock. Stock options issued under the Corporation's stock option plans have no intrinsic value at the grant date, and under APB Opinion No. 25 no compensation cost is recognized for them. The Corporation has elected to continue with the accounting methodology in APB Opinion No. 25 and, as a result, has provided pro forma disclosures of net income and earnings per share and other disclosures, as if the fair value based method of accounting had been applied. The Corporation currently has no intentions to discontinue using the APB Opinion No. 25 methodology.

Had compensation cost for the Corporation's stock option plans been determined based on the fair value at the grant dates for awards under the plans consistent with the method prescribed by SFAS No. 123, the Corporation's net income and earnings per share would have been adjusted to the pro forma amounts indicated below:

	Year

	2003

	(Dollars)
Net income, as reported	\$ 5,635
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based method for all awards, net of any related tax effects	-

Pro forma net income	\$ 5,635
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Net income per share, basic		
As reported	\$	1.31
Pro forma		1.31
Net income per share, assuming dilution		
As reported	\$	1.27
Pro forma		1.27

OTHER REAL ESTATE Other real estate, which is included in other assets, consists of properties acquired through foreclosure or in full or partial satisfaction of the related loan and is held for sale.

Other real estate is initially recorded at fair value at the date of foreclosure, establishing a new cost basis. Subsequent to foreclosure, management periodically performs valuations and the assets are carried at the lower of carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell. Revenue and expenses from operations and changes in the valuation allowance are included in other expenses.

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PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT Premises and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation computed principally on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Useful lives of assets are outlined below:

Buildings	32 - 40 years
Building components	5 - 30 years
Vault doors, safe deposit boxes, night depository, etc.	32 - 40 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5 - 25 years

INCOME TAXES Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are reflected at currently enacted income tax rates applicable to the period in which the deferred tax assets or liabilities are expected to be realized or settled. As changes in tax laws or rates are enacted, deferred tax assets and liabilities are adjusted through the provision for income taxes.

OFF-BALANCE-SHEET CREDIT RELATED FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS In the ordinary course of business the Banks enter into commitments to extend credit and grant standby letters of credit. Such off-balance-sheet financial instruments are recorded in the consolidated financial statements when they are funded.

SEGMENTS Community Bankshares, Inc. through its banking subsidiaries, ONB, SNB, FNB, BOR and its mortgage subsidiary, CRM, provides a broad range of financial services to individuals and businesses in South Carolina. These services include demand, time, and savings deposits; lending services; ATM processing; and similar financial services. While the Corporation's decision makers monitor the revenue streams of the various financial products and services, operations are managed and financial performance is evaluated on a corporate-wide basis. Accordingly, the subsidiary operations are not considered by management to comprise more than one reportable operating segment.

COMPREHENSIVE INCOME Accounting principles generally require that recognized revenue, expenses, gains and losses be included in net income. Although certain changes in assets and liabilities, such as unrealized gains and losses on securities available-for-sale, are reported as a separate component of the equity section of the balance sheet, such items, along with net income, are components of comprehensive income. Currently, the Corporation's only components

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of other comprehensive income (loss) are unrealized gains (losses) on securities available-for-sale.

TRANSFERS OF FINANCIAL ASSETS Transfers of financial assets are accounted for as sales, when control over the assets has been surrendered. Control over transferred assets is deemed to be surrendered when (1) the assets have been isolated from the Corporation, (2) the transferee obtains the right (free of conditions that constrain it from taking advantage of that right) to pledge or exchange the transferred assets, and (3) the Corporation does not maintain effective control over the transferred assets through an agreement to repurchase them before their maturity.

RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations FASB Statement No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations," addresses financial accounting and reporting for obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the associated asset retirement costs. The Statement requires recording the fair value of a liability for an asset retirement obligation in the period in which it is incurred, along with increasing the carrying amount and depreciation of the related asset. This Statement was effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2002, with earlier application encouraged. The adoption of this Statement as of January 1, 2003 did not have any material adverse or beneficial effect on the consolidated financial position or results of operations of the Corporation.

Rescission of FASB Statements No. 4, 44, and 64, Amendment of FASB Statement No. 13, and Technical Corrections FASB Statement No. 145, "Rescission of FASB Statements No. 4, 44, and 64, Amendment of FASB Statement No. 13, and Technical Corrections," addresses financial accounting and reporting for extinguishment of debt and for certain lease modifications that have economic effects similar to sale-leaseback transactions. This Statement requires that gains and losses from debt extinguishments that are part of an entity's recurring operations not be accounted for as extraordinary items. Furthermore, gains and losses from debt extinguishments that are not part of an entity's recurring operations are required to be evaluated using the criteria in Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 30, "Reporting the Results of Operations - Reporting the Effects of

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Disposal of a Segment of a Business, and Extraordinary, Unusual and Infrequently Occurring Events and Transactions," to determine whether extraordinary treatment is warranted for those transactions. The provisions of this Statement related to debt extinguishments were required to be applied in fiscal years beginning after May 15, 2002, with early application encouraged. Restatement is required for amounts that previously were classified as extraordinary, but that do not meet the criteria in Opinion No. 30 for extraordinary treatment. The Statement's other provisions were required to be applied either to transactions occurring after May 15, 2002 or for financial statements issued on or after May 15, 2002, with early application encouraged. The adoption of the provisions of FASB No. 145 as of their effective dates did not have any material adverse or beneficial effect on the consolidated financial position or results of operations of the Corporation.

Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities FASB Statement No. 146, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities," addresses financial accounting and reporting for costs associated with exit or disposal activities and nullifies Emerging Issues Task Force Issues Nos. 88-10 and 94-3. This Statement requires that a liability for a cost associated with an exit or disposal activity be recognized at its fair value when the liability is

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incurred, rather than the previous recognition of a liability at the date that an entity committed to an exit plan. The provisions of this Statement were effective for exit or disposal activities initiated after December 31, 2002, with early application encouraged. The adoption of Statement No. 146 as of January 1, 2003 did not have any material adverse or beneficial effect on the consolidated financial position or results of operations of the Corporation.

Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others The FASB issued its Interpretation 45 ("FIN 45"), "Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others," which addresses a guarantor's measurement and recognition of its liabilities under certain guarantee transactions at inception and provides for new disclosures regarding the nature and extent of such guarantees. The disclosure requirements were effective for interim and annual financial statements ending after December 15, 2002. FIN 45's initial recognition and measurement provisions were effective prospectively; that is, for guarantees issued or modified on or after January 1, 2003. The adoption of the disclosure provisions of this Interpretation as of December 31, 2002 had no material adverse or beneficial effect on the consolidated financial position or results of operations of the Corporation. Furthermore, the adoption of the Interpretation's measurement and recognition provisions as of January 1, 2003 did not have any material adverse or beneficial effect on the Corporation's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities FASB Interpretation 46 ("FIN 46"), "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an interpretation of ARB No. 51," provides a new framework for identifying variable interest entities ("VIEs") and determining when a company should include the assets, liabilities, noncontrolling interests and results of activities of a VIE in its consolidated financial statements. FIN 46 requires that if a business enterprise has a controlling financial interest in a VIE, the assets, liabilities and results of the activities of the VIE must be included in the consolidated financial statements of a business enterprise. This interpretation also requires existing unconsolidated VIEs to be consolidated by their primary beneficiaries if the entities do not effectively disperse risks among parties involved. VIEs that effectively disperse risks will not be consolidated unless a single party holds an interest or combination of interests that effectively recombines risks that were previously dispersed. FIN 46 was effective immediately for VIEs created after January 31, 2003, and to VIEs in which an enterprise obtains an interest after that date. It applies in the first fiscal year or interim period beginning after June 15, 2003, to VIEs in which an enterprise holds a variable interest that it acquired before February 1, 2003. This Interpretation does not apply to securitization structures that are qualified special purpose entities as defined within FASB Statement No. 140. Management does not believe that adoption of this Interpretation has had, or will have, any material adverse or beneficial effect on the Corporation's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Amendment of FASB Statement No. 133 The FASB issued its Statement No. 149, "Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," which amends and clarifies accounting and disclosure for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts, and for hedging activities under FASB Statement No. 133. This Statement was effective for contracts entered into or modified after June 30, 2003, except in certain circumstances, and for hedging relationships designated after June 30, 2003. Adoption of this Statement did not have a material adverse or beneficial effect on the Corporation's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

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Statement No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity," provides new rules on the accounting for certain financial instruments that, under previous guidance, issuers could account for as equity. Such financial instruments include mandatorily redeemable shares, instruments that require the issuer to buy back some of its shares in exchange for cash or other assets, or obligations that can be settled with shares, the monetary value of which is fixed. Most of the guidance in FASB Statement No. 150 was effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise was effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 30, 2003. Adoption of this Statement had no material adverse or beneficial effect on the Corporation's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

ADVERTISING COSTS The cost of advertising is expensed as incurred.

OTHER Certain amounts previously reported in the statements have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation and disclosure requirements. These reclassifications had no effect on reported net income or retained earnings.

NOTE 3 - CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS

The Banks are required to maintain average reserve balances with the Federal Reserve or in available cash. The average daily reserve balance requirements at December 31, 2003 and 2002 were approximately \$2,140,000 and \$1,800,000, respectively. At December 31, 2003, the Corporation had cash balances with correspondent banks totaling approximately \$10,140,000, of which \$1,303,000 was fully insured by the FDIC.

NOTE 4 - SECURITIES

Securities consist of the following:

	December 31, 2003				

	2003				

	Amortized	Gross	Gross	Estimated	Amortized
	Cost	Unrealized	Unrealized	Fair	Cost
	-----	Holding	Holding	Value	-----
		Gains	Losses	-----	
		-----	-----	-----	
				(Dollars in thousands)	
Securities available-for-sale					
U.S. Treasury and U.S. Government agencies	\$56,633	\$ 146	\$ 302	\$56,477	\$41,400
States and political subdivisions	8,140	249	2	8,387	9,500
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total securities available-for-sale	\$64,773	\$ 395	\$ 304	\$64,864	\$51,000
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Securities held-to-maturity					
States and political subdivisions	\$ 2,000	\$ 155	\$ -	\$ 2,155	\$ -
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

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Total securities held-to-maturity	\$ 2,000	\$ 155	\$ -	\$ 2,155	\$
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

The amortized cost and fair value of debt securities at December 31, 2003 and 2002, by contractual maturity are detailed below. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

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	2003	Decem
	-----	-----
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
	----	-----
		(Dollars i
Securities available-for-sale		
Due within one year	\$ 3,031	\$ 3,033
Due after one through five years	39,540	39,584
Due after five through ten years	21,186	21,267
Due after ten years	1,016	980
	-----	-----
Total securities available-for-sale	\$64,773	\$64,864
	=====	=====
Securities held-to-maturity		
Due after five through ten years	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,155
	-----	-----
Total securities held-to-maturity	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,155
	=====	=====

The following table provides information about the Corporation's securities holdings which were maintained in an unrealized loss condition as of December 31, 2003:

	Countinuously in Unrealized Loss		
	Less than 12 Months	12 Months or	
	-----	-----	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value
	-----	----	-----
			(Dollars
U.S. Treasury and U.S.			
Government agencies	\$17,132	\$ 293	\$ 528
States and political subdivision-	-		204

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Total securities	----- \$17,132 =====	----- \$ 293 =====	----- \$ 732 =====
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Unrealized losses reflected in this table generally are the result of interest rate changes that have occurred since the securities were purchased. No loss is expected on any of these securities if they are held until their maturities.

At December 31, 2003 and 2002, investment securities with a carrying value of \$31,418,000 and \$36,918,000, respectively, were pledged to secure public deposits, repurchase agreements and for other purposes required and permitted by law.

For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, proceeds from sales of securities available-for-sale amounted to \$2,068,000, \$20,543,000 and \$7,074,000, respectively. Gross realized gains totaled \$73,000, \$122,000 and \$31,000, respectively. Gross realized losses were \$325,000, \$3,000 and \$0, respectively. The tax benefit (provision) applicable to the net realized gains and losses amounted to \$90,000, \$(43,000) and \$(11,000), respectively.

NOTE 5 - OTHER INVESTMENTS

Other investments consist of restricted stocks of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta, and correspondent Bankers Banks which are carried at cost. Management periodically evaluates these investments for impairment, with any appropriate downward adjustments being made when necessary.

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NOTE 6 - LOANS RECEIVABLE

The following is a summary of loans by category:

	December 31, -----	
	2003 ----	2002 ----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Commercial, financial and agricultural	\$ 84,844	\$ 78,210
Real estate- construction	23,590	23,345
Real estate - mortgage	188,530	168,499
Consumer installment	35,142	36,430
	-----	-----
Total	332,106	306,484
Allowance for loan losses	(4,206)	(3,573)
	-----	-----
Loans - net	\$ 327,900 =====	\$ 302,911 =====

The loan portfolio included fixed rate and adjustable rate loans totaling \$194,550,000 and \$137,556,000 respectively, at December 31, 2003.

Overdrawn demand deposits totaling \$564,000 and \$748,000 have been reclassified as loan balances at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

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Gross proceeds on sales of mortgage loans originated for resale were approximately \$309,914,000, \$176,011,000, and \$34,915,000 for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001, respectively. Income from this activity is recognized as mortgage brokerage income.

Loans outstanding to directors, executive officers, principal holders of equity securities, or to any of their associates totaled \$7,416,000 at December 31, 2003 and \$11,037,000 at December 31, 2002. A total of \$9,269,000 in loans were made or added, while a total of \$12,890,000 were repaid or deducted during 2003. Related party loans are made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with unrelated persons and do not involve more than normal risk of collectibility. Changes in the composition of the board of directors or the group comprising executive officers also result in additions to or deductions from loans outstanding to directors, executive officers or principal holders of equity securities.

As of December 31, 2003 and 2002, there were no significant concentrations of credit risk in any single borrower or groups of borrowers. The Corporation's loan portfolio consists primarily of extensions of credit to businesses and individuals in its local market areas in Orangeburg, Sumter, Florence, Richland, Fairfield and Anderson counties of South Carolina. The Banks and CRM regularly monitor various segments of their credit portfolios to assess potential concentration risks and to obtain collateral when considered necessary.

Changes in the allowance for loan losses were as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2001
	----	----	----
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Balance at January 1	\$ 3,573	\$ 2,830	\$ 2,424
Changes incident to merger activities	-	444	28
Provision charged to expense	1,119	1,033	650
Recoveries	174	38	35
Charge-offs	(660)	(772)	(307)
	-----	-----	-----
Balance at December 31	\$ 4,206	\$ 3,573	\$ 2,830
	=====	=====	=====

The following is summary information pertaining to impaired loans:

Impaired loans without a valuation allowance	
Impaired loan with a valuation allowance	
Total impaired loans	

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Allowance for loan losses on impaired loans at year end

Average total investment in impaired loans during the year

Cash basis interest income recognized on impaired loans during year

No additional funds are committed to be advanced in connection with impaired loans.

Nonaccrual, past due loans, and other real estate at December 31, 2003 and 2002, were as follows:

	December 31, -----	
	2003 ----	2002 ----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Nonaccrual loans	\$2,595	\$ 796
Accruing 90 days or more past due	146	1,740
	-----	-----
Total	\$2,741	\$2,536
	=====	=====
Total as a percentage of outstanding loans	0.83%	0.83%
Other real estate	\$ 327	\$ 219
	=====	=====

Gross interest income that would have been recorded for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001 if nonaccrual loans had been performing in accordance with their original terms was approximately \$117,000, \$39,000, and \$7,000, respectively.

NOTE 7 - PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT AND OPERATING LEASES

Premises and equipment at December 31, 2003 and 2002, consist of the following:

	December 31, -----	
	2003 ----	2002 ----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Land	\$ 1,260	\$ 1,149
Buildings and components	3,884	3,975
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5,713	4,719
	-----	-----
Total	10,857	9,843
Less, accumulated depreciation	3,942	3,467
	-----	-----
Premises and equipment - net	\$ 6,915	\$ 6,376
	=====	=====

Depreciation expense was approximately \$793,000, \$643,000, and \$467,000, for the

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years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001, respectively.

As of December 31, 2003 future minimum rent commitments under various noncancelable operating leases are as follows:

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Year ----	Amount -----
(Dollars in thousands)	
2004	\$ 182
2005	182
2006	186
2007	172
2008	91
Thereafter	\$ 1,978

Total	\$ 2,791
	=====

Total rent expense for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 was \$205,000, \$149,000 and \$67,000, respectively.

NOTE 8 - INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Changes in the carrying amounts of goodwill for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 are as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2003 ----	2002 ----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Balance, beginning of year	\$4,321	\$1,260
Goodwill acquired during the year	-	3,061
Impairment losses	-	-
	-----	-----
Balance, end of year	\$4,321	\$4,321
	=====	=====

Goodwill is tested for impairment annually by an independent consulting firm. As of December 31, 2003, no impairment has been determined.

As part of the valuation of Ridgeway Bancshares, Inc., conducted by a third party firm, a core deposit intangible was computed. All amortizable intangible assets are evaluated annually to determine whether any revisions of their estimated useful lives are warranted. For the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, and in 2001, no such revisions have resulted.

The following tables present the gross carrying amounts and accumulated amortization for the Corporation's amortizable intangible assets as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the estimated amounts of amortization expense to be recognized for each of the five succeeding fiscal years, as of December 31, 2003

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and 2002. Such assets are being amortized on a straight-line basis over fifteen years.

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	2003 -----	December -----
Amortizable intangible asset class	Gross Carrying Amount -----	Accumulated Amortization ----- (Dollars)
Core deposit intangible	\$3,698 =====	\$ 369 =====

Estimated amounts of amortization expense to be recognized in each of the next five succeeding years:

Year	Amount as of December 31, 2003 -----	Amount as of December 31, 2002 -----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
2004	\$ 246	\$ 246
2005	246	246
2006	246	246
2007	246	246
2008	246	-

NOTE 9 - DEPOSITS

At December 31, 2003, the scheduled maturities of time deposits are as follows:

Year -----	Amount -----	
	(Dollars in thousands)	
2004	\$ 151,972	
2005	25,086	
2006	4,877	
2007	2,576	
2008	417	
Thereafter	2	
	-	

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Total \$ 184,930
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Deposits of directors and officers and their related business interests totaled approximately \$6,982,000 and \$5,074,000 at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

NOTE 10 - SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS

The Corporation's short-term borrowings generally consist of federal funds purchased, securities sold under agreements to repurchase, warehouse lines of credit used to finance the mortgage subsidiary's operations and other borrowings under short-term credit facilities. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements with customers to repurchase generally mature within one to four days from the transaction date. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase are reflected at the amount of cash received in connection with the transaction. The Corporation monitors the fair value of the underlying securities on a daily basis and it is the Banks' policy to maintain a collateral value greater than the principal and accrued interest of the transaction. All securities underlying these agreements are institution-owned securities.

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Warehouse lines of credit consist of \$6,749,000 borrowed by Community Resource Mortgage, Inc. at the one month LIBOR rate plus 1.95% and \$994,000 borrowed with interest at the one month LIBOR rate plus an additional amount that ranges from 2.25% to 5.25% based on the number of days that each underlying loan is outstanding. In related credit agreements, CRM and the Corporation have agreed to certain covenants including: maintenance of certain minimum levels of tangible net worth and liquidity, restricting additional borrowing from other lenders, maintaining minimum levels of errors and omissions and fidelity insurance, maintaining certain quality standards of mortgage loan documentation and practices, and restrictions on merger or sale of assets, change in management, permitting liens on other assets or guaranteeing the indebtedness of others. The loan agreements also contain certain curtailment provisions that require the repayment of advances under the lines at predetermined intervals. The unaffiliated warehouse lenders each have security interests in the approximately \$7,673,000 in loans held for sale financed through those borrowing arrangements. Additional availability under the warehouse lines of credit totaled \$32,257,000 as of December 31, 2003.

Other short-term credit facilities consist of \$1,492,000 borrowed by the mortgage subsidiary for its general corporate purposes at the prime rate under an unsecured line of credit arrangement and \$635,000 borrowed by the Corporation for its general corporate purposes at the prime rate. Additional credit availabilities under these lines of credit totaled \$1,573,000 as of December 31, 2003. Each line is with an unaffiliated financial institution.

Each of the mortgage subsidiary's warehouse and other lines of credit are guaranteed by the Corporation.

Short-term borrowings are summarized as follows:

December 31,	

2003	2002
----	----
(Dollars in thousands)	

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Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	\$ 8,090	\$16,302
Warehouse lines of credit	7,743	18,249
Other short-term debt	2,127	-
	-----	-----
Total	\$17,960	\$34,551
	=====	=====

The following summarizes information about short-term borrowings during each of the periods presented:

	December 31,	

	2003	2002
	----	----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Outstanding at year-end	\$17,960	\$34,551
Interest rate at year-end	2.38%	3.93%
Interest expense	\$ 750	\$ 478
Maximum month-end balance during the year	\$39,379	\$40,474
Average amount outstanding during the year	\$29,026	\$18,712
Weighted average interest rate during the year	2.58%	2.55%

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NOTE 11 - LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta ("FHLB"). Interest rates associated with such borrowings outstanding as of December 31, 2003 are generally fixed at rates ranging from 4.45% to 7.04%. Collateral for the borrowings consists of blanket liens on the Banks' one-to-four family residential loans and all of the Banks' stock in the FHLB. Such collateral was carried in the consolidated balance sheet at approximately \$54,623,000 and \$54,010,000 at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. Required future principal reductions of the Corporation's Federal Home Loan Advances are summarized as follows:

Year	Amount
----	-----
(Dollars in thousands)	
2004	\$ 70
2005	1,370
2006	500
2007	1,000
2008	2,500
Thereafter	14,700

Total	\$ 20,140
	=====

Under the blanket lien agreements, the Banks collectively have the ability to borrow an additional \$20,209,000 from the FHLB as of December 31, 2003. Any such borrowings would be subject to the FHLB's normal approval process and would be subject to interest rates established by the FHLB at the time of each such transaction. The FHLB may terminate the availability at any time.

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NOTE 12 - STOCK OPTIONS AND DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT SHARES

Under the Corporation's Dividend Reinvestment Plan, shareholders may reinvest all or part of their cash dividends in shares of common stock and also purchase additional shares of common stock. During the three-year period ended December 31, 2003 all shares purchased under this plan were purchased in the market, not issued by the Corporation.

At December 31, 2003, 205,183 common shares were reserved for issuance pursuant to an employee stock option plan and 624,655 common shares were reserved for issuance pursuant to the dividend reinvestment and additional stock purchase plan.

During 2001, the Corporation amended its 1997 Stock Option Plan (the "Plan") to increase by 200,000 shares the number of shares reserved for issuance upon exercise of options and to permit participation in the plan by non-employee directors. During 2003, the Corporation amended the Plan to increase by 300,000 shares the number of shares reserved for issuance upon exercise of employee incentive stock options. Under the Plan, as amended, up to 785,600 shares of common stock were authorized to be granted to selected officers, other employees, and non-employee directors of the Corporation and/or its subsidiaries pursuant to exercise of incentive and nonqualified stock options. Of such shares, 590,050 were reserved for issuance pursuant to exercise of incentive stock options and 195,550 were reserved for issuance pursuant to exercise of nonqualified stock options.

The exercise price of any incentive option granted is equal to the fair value of the common stock on the date the option is granted. Nonqualified options can be issued for less than fair value; however, the Corporation has not elected to issue these options for less than fair value at the date of the grant. The options are vested upon issuance, but may be exercised no earlier than one year after issuance.

A summary of the status of options issued pursuant to the Corporation's stock option plan is presented below:

	2003		Years Ended December 31, 2002	
	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Outstanding at beginning of year	384,667	\$ 11.26	396,718	\$ 11.26
Granted	195,750	18.85	-	-
Exercised	(27,076)	11.57	(4,500)	11.57
Forfeited or expired	(9,350)	18.85	(7,551)	18.85
	-----		-----	
Outstanding at end of year	543,991	\$ 13.85	384,667	\$ 13.85
	=====		=====	
Options exercisable at year end	357,591	\$ 11.24	384,667	\$ 11.24

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The weighted average fair values of options granted each year are computed using the Black-Scholes option pricing model using the assumptions detailed below:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2001
Weighted average fair value of options granted during the year	\$ 4.33	\$ -	\$ 4.32
Risk-free interest rate	3.72%	0.00%	5.05%
Expected life (years)	6.01	-	7.00
Expected volatility	24.01%	0.00%	32.81%
Yield	2.00%	0.00%	1.21%

The following table summarizes information about the options outstanding:

Range of Exercise Prices	Options Outstanding		
	Number Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Weighted Average Exercise Price
\$ 7.62 to \$ 11.00	219,160	6.3	\$ 10.24
12.83 18.85	324,831	7.8	16.28
	543,991	7.3	\$ 13.93

The Corporation applies APB Opinion No. 25 and related interpretations in accounting for its stock-based compensation plans. Accordingly, no compensation cost has been recognized.

NOTE 13 - INCOME TAXES

The Corporation files consolidated federal income tax returns on a calendar-year basis.

The provision for income taxes consists of the following:

Years Ended December 31,

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	----- 2003 -----	2002 -----	2001 -----
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Current			
Federal	\$ 2,820	\$ 2,687	\$ 2,121
State	280	248	175
	-----	-----	-----
Total current	3,100	2,935	2,296
	-----	-----	-----
Deferred	47	(15)	(140)
	-----	-----	-----
Total income tax expense	\$ 3,147	\$ 2,920	\$ 2,156
	=====	=====	=====

The provision for income taxes differs from that computed by applying federal statutory rates at 34% to income before income tax expense as indicated in the following summary:

	2003 -----
Tax expense at statutory rate	\$ 2,986
State income tax, net of federal income tax benefit	174
Tax-exempt interest income	(136)
Amortization of organization costs and core deposit intangibles	63
Other, net	60

Total	\$ 3,147
	=====

Temporary differences, which give rise to deferred tax assets and liabilities, are as follows:

	December 31, -----	
	2003 -----	2002 -----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Deferred tax assets		
Allowance for loan losses	\$1,378	\$1,131
Preopening costs	-	5
Other	82	1
	-----	-----
Gross deferred tax assets	1,460	1,137

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Valuation allowance	-	-
	-----	-----
Total	1,460	1,137
	-----	-----
Deferred tax liabilities		
Accelerated depreciation	462	206
Accretion	10	9
Unrealized net holding gains on available-for-sale securities	30	298
Purchase adjustments - securities	92	-
Purchase adjustments - loans	61	-
Fair value effect of business combination	-	40
	-----	-----
Gross deferred tax liabilities	655	553
	-----	-----
Net deferred income tax assets	\$ 805	\$ 584
	=====	=====

NOTE 14 - EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

The Corporation provides a defined contribution plan with an Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) provision. All employees who have completed 500 hours of service during a six-month period and have attained age 21 may participate in the plan.

A participant may elect to make tax deferred contributions up to a maximum of 12% of eligible compensation. The Corporation will make matching contributions on behalf of each participant for 100% of the elective deferral, not exceeding 3% of the participant's compensation. The Corporation may also make additional contributions determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

The Corporation's contributions for 401(k) related profit sharing for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001 totaled approximately \$170,000, \$132,000, and \$146,000, respectively. Since 2001, the senior officers of the Corporation are no longer included in this profit sharing program.

The Bank of Ridgeway maintains a defined benefit pension plan covering the majority of its employees. This plan was in place prior to the Corporation's acquisition of Ridgeway Bancshares, Inc. in 2002. Because there are no such plans for the Corporation's other subsidiaries, and there are no plans to establish any other such plans, the Corporation froze benefit accruals and discontinued additional participation and voluntary contributions in the plan during 2003. It is anticipated that the plan will be formally terminated, and the plan assets distributed to participants, in 2004. The changes in the pension plan have been accounted for as curtailments in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 88. The following table shows the activity and status of that plan:

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	As of December 31,	

	2003	2002
	----	----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Change in Benefit Obligation		
Benefit obligation as of January 1	\$ 796	\$ -
Service cost	11	59
Interest cost	50	50

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Curtailments	(169)	-
Actuarial (gain) loss	27	(41)
Acquisition	-	728
Benefits paid	(5)	-
	-----	-----
Benefit obligation as of December 31	710	796
	-----	-----
Change in Plan Assets		
Fair value of plan assets as of January 1	632	-
Actual return (loss) on plan assets	(27)	(100)
Acquisition	-	672
Employer contributions	56	60
Benefits paid	(5)	-
	-----	-----
Fair value of plan assets as of December 31	656	632
	-----	-----
Funded Status of the Plan	(54)	(164)
Unrecognized transition obligation	-	28
Unrecognized net loss	38	113
	-----	-----
Accrued benefit cost	(16)	(23)
	-----	-----
Amount Recognized in the Consolidated Balance Sheets Consists of:		
Accrued benefit cost	\$ (16)	\$ (23)
	=====	=====
Pension Benefits Weighted Average Assumptions		
Discount rate	7.25%	7.25%
Expected rate on plan assets	7.25%	7.25%
Rate of compensation increase	5.00%	5.00%
Components of Net Periodic Benefit Cost		
Service cost	\$ 11	\$ 59
Interest cost	50	50
Expected return on plan assets	(41)	(39)
Recognized net actuarial loss (gain)	169	-
Amortization of transition obligation	-	3
Amortization of unrecognized net loss	1	3
Curtailment (gain) loss	(169)	-
	-----	-----
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 21	\$ 76
	=====	=====

As of December 31, 2003 and 2002, pension plan assets consisted primarily of shares of various mutual funds which invest principally in diversified portfolios of stocks. As of December 31, 2003, plan assets included a \$22,000 Bank of Ridgeway money market account bearing interest at the rate of 1.00%. The plan did not hold any direct investment in the Corporation's common stock.

The Corporation maintains no postretirement or postemployment benefit plans.

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NOTE 15 - OFF-BALANCE-SHEET COMMITMENTS

The Banks are parties to credit related financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of their customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. Such commitments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheets.

The Banks' exposure to credit loss is represented by the contractual notional amount of these commitments. The Banks generally use the same credit policies in making commitments as they do for on-balance-sheet instruments.

At December 31, 2003 and 2002, the following financial instruments were outstanding whose contract amounts represent credit risk:

	December 31,	
	2003	2002
	----	----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Loan commitments	\$15,501	\$14,603
Unfunded commitments under lines of credit	36,735	20,493
Standby letters of credit	4,489	2,506

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary by the Banks upon extension of credit, is based on management's credit evaluation of the borrower. Collateral held varies but may include personal residences, accounts receivable, inventory, property, plant, and equipment, and income-producing commercial properties.

Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments issued by the Banks to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. Those letters of credit are primarily issued to support private borrowing arrangements. All letters of credit are short-term guarantees. The credit risk involved in issuing letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved in extending loan facilities to customers. The Banks generally hold collateral supporting those commitments if deemed necessary. Since many of the standby letters of credit are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total letter of credit amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements.

To reduce credit risk related to the use of credit-related financial instruments, the Bank might deem it necessary to obtain collateral. The amount and nature of the collateral obtained is based on the Banks' credit evaluation of the customer. Collateral held varies but may include cash, securities, accounts receivable, inventory, property, plant and equipment and real estate.

NOTE 16 - EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share represent income available to common shareholders divided by the weighted-average number of shares outstanding during the year. Diluted earnings per share reflect additional common shares that would have been outstanding if all dilutive potential stock options were exercised at the

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beginning of each year and the proceeds used to purchase shares of the Corporation's common stock at the average market price during the year. Dilutive potential common shares that may be issued by the Corporation relate solely to outstanding stock options.

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Earnings per common share were computed based on the following:

	2003

	(Dollars in millions)
Net income per share, basic	
Numerator - net income	\$ 5,635
	=====
Denominator	
Weighted average common shares issued and outstanding	4,313,437
	=====
Net income per share, basic	\$ 1.31
	=====
Net income per share, assuming dilution	
Numerator - net income	\$ 5,635
	=====
Denominator	
Weighted average common shares issued and outstanding	4,313,437
Effect of dilutive stock options	113,966

Total shares	4,427,403
	=====
Net income per share, assuming dilution	\$ 1.27
	=====

NOTE 17 - FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The fair value of a financial instrument is the current amount that would be exchanged between willing parties, other than in a forced liquidation. Fair value is best determined based upon quoted market prices. However, in many instances, there are no quoted market prices for the Corporation's various financial instruments. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. These techniques are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rate and estimates of future cash flows. Accordingly, the fair value estimates may not be realized in an immediate settlement of the instrument. SFAS No. 107, "Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments," as amended, excludes certain financial instruments and all non-financial instruments from its disclosure requirements. Accordingly, the aggregate fair value amounts presented may not necessarily represent the underlying fair value of the Corporation.

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The following methods and assumptions were used by the Corporation in estimating fair values of financial instruments as disclosed herein:

Cash and cash equivalents. The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents approximate fair values.

Interest-bearing deposits with banks. The carrying amounts of interest-bearing deposits with banks approximate their fair values.

Securities available-for-sale and held-to-maturity. Fair values for securities are based on quoted market prices. The market values of state and local government securities are established with the assistance of an independent pricing service. The values are based on data which often reflect transactions of relatively small size and are not necessarily indicative of the value of the securities when traded in large volumes.

Other investments. Fair values of other investments, consisting of restricted securities, approximate the carrying amounts and are based on the redemption provisions of the issuers.

Loans held for sale. The carrying amounts approximate their fair values.

Loans receivable. Fair values for certain mortgage loans (for example, one-to-four family residential) and other consumer loans are based on quoted market prices of similar loans sold, adjusted for differences in loan characteristics. Fair values for all other performing loans are

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estimated using discounted cash flow analyses, using interest rates currently being offered for loans with similar terms to borrowers of similar credit quality. Fair values for non-performing loans are estimated using discounted cash flow analyses or underlying collateral values, where applicable.

Deposit liabilities. The fair values disclosed for demand deposits are, by definition, equal to the amount payable on demand at the reporting date (that is, their carrying amounts). Fair values for certificates of deposits and other time deposits are estimated using a discounted cash flow calculation that applies interest rates currently being offered on certificates to a schedule of aggregated expected monthly maturities on time deposits.

Short-term borrowings. The carrying amounts of federal funds purchased and borrowings under repurchase agreements approximate their fair values because of the associated variable interest rates.

Long-term debt. The fair value of fixed-rate long-term debt is estimated using discounted cash flow analyses based on the Corporation's current incremental borrowing rates for similar types of borrowing arrangements.

Accrued interest. The carrying amounts of accrued interest receivable and payable approximate fair value.

Off-balance-sheet commitments. Fair values for off-balance-sheet commitments are based on fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements, taking into account the remaining terms of the agreements and the counterparties' credit standings. The vast majority of loan commitments do not involve the charging of a fee, and costs associated with outstanding

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letters of credit are not material. For loan commitments and standby letters of credit, the committed interest rates are either variable or approximate current interest rates offered for similar commitments. Therefore, the estimated fair values of these off-balance-sheet commitments are nominal.

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The estimated fair values and related carrying or notional amounts of the Corporation's financial instruments at December 31, 2003 and 2002, are as follows:

	2003 -----	2002 -----
	Carrying Amount of Assets (Liabilities) -----	Estimated Fair Value of Assets (Liabilities) ----- (Dollars in millions)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 41,875	\$ 41,875
Interest bearing deposits with other banks	1,124	1,124
Securities	66,864	67,019
Other investments	2,038	2,038
Loans held for sale	8,411	8,411
Loans receivable, net	327,900	328,432
Accrued interest receivable	2,186	2,186
Deposits	(378,704)	(379,761)
Short-term borrowings	(17,960)	(17,960)
Long-term debt	(20,140)	(21,665)
Accrued interest payable	(585)	(585)
Off-balance-sheet commitments		
Loan commitments	(15,501)	-
Unfunded commitments under lines of credit	(36,735)	-
Standby letters of credit	(4,489)	-

NOTE 18 - CONTINGENCIES

The Corporation is subject at times to claims and lawsuits arising out of the normal course of business. As of December 31, 2003, no claims or lawsuits were pending or threatened which, in the opinion of management are likely to have a material effect on the Corporation's consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 19 - REGULATORY MATTERS

The Banks are subject to the dividend restrictions set forth by various banking

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regulators. Under such restrictions, the national banks may not, without the prior approval, declare dividends in excess of the sum of the current year's earnings (as defined) plus the retained earnings (as defined) from the prior two years and the state bank may not declare dividends in excess of the current year's earnings. At December 31, 2003, the dividends that the Banks could declare without the approval of their primary bank regulator amounted to approximately \$9,092,000. In addition, dividends paid by the Banks to the Corporation would be prohibited if the effect thereof would cause the Banks' capital to be reduced below applicable minimum capital requirements. The Banks are also restricted by law as to the amount they may lend to any non-depository affiliate, including the Corporation and CRM. Such loans are subject to the requirements of Section 23A of the Federal Reserve Act including a general limitation to not more than 10% of capital and specified ratios of the fair market value of allowable collateral to loan amounts.

The Corporation (on a consolidated basis) and the Banks are each subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory and possibly additional discretionary actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material adverse effect on the Corporation's and the Banks' financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the

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regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Corporation and the Banks must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of their assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance-sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors. Prompt corrective action provisions are not applicable to bank holding companies.

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require the Corporation and the Banks to maintain minimum amounts and ratios (set forth in the table below) of total and Tier I capital (as defined in the regulations) to risk-weighted assets (as defined), and of Tier I capital to average assets (as defined). Management believes, as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, that the Corporation and the Banks met all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject.

As of December 31, 2003, for ONB, for SNB, for FNB, and for BOR, the most recent notifications from the FDIC categorized the Banks as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as well capitalized, the Banks must maintain minimum total risk-based, Tier I risk-based, and Tier I leverage ratios as set forth in the table. There are no conditions or events since the notifications that management believes have changed the Banks' categories. The Corporation's and the Banks' actual capital amounts and ratios are also presented in the following table.

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	Amount -----	Ratio -----	Amount ----- (Dollars)
December 31, 2003			
Tier I Capital (to Average Assets)			
Consolidated	\$40,380	9.1%	\$17,709
ONB	16,285	9.1%	7,125
SNB	9,058	7.6%	4,741
FNB	5,047	8.9%	2,266
BOR	6,906	8.2%	3,377
Tier I Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets)			
Consolidated	\$40,380	12.0%	\$13,473
ONB	16,285	12.5%	5,213
SNB	9,058	9.0%	4,015
FNB	5,047	9.9%	2,042
BOR	6,906	14.4%	1,921
Total Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets)			
Consolidated	\$44,385	13.2%	\$26,947
ONB	17,916	13.8%	10,427
SNB	10,313	10.3%	8,030
FNB	5,591	11.0%	4,083
BOR	7,338	15.3%	3,841
December 31, 2002			
Tier I Capital (to Average Assets)			
Consolidated	\$35,724	8.3%	\$17,233
ONB	14,820	8.7%	6,831
SNB	7,734	7.4%	4,176
FNB	4,501	8.3%	2,176
BOR	6,271	7.8%	3,229
Tier I Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets)			
Consolidated	\$35,724	11.6%	\$12,366
ONB	14,820	12.3%	4,828
SNB	7,734	9.0%	3,456
FNB	4,501	9.6%	1,870
BOR	6,271	13.8%	1,823
Total Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets)			
Consolidated	\$39,255	12.7%	\$24,732
ONB	16,329	13.5%	9,656
SNB	8,734	10.1%	6,912
FNB	5,009	10.7%	3,740
BOR	6,715	14.7%	3,646

The mortgage subsidiary is subject to a minimum regulatory adjusted net worth requirement to maintain its certification as a HUD-approved Title II Loan Correspondent. Certain investor and warehouse credit line agreements require that the mortgage subsidiary maintain its HUD certification. Accordingly, failure to maintain the minimum regulatory adjusted net worth could result in a significant limitation of the mortgage subsidiary's ability to originate, fund or sell loans, and therefore could have a direct, material adverse effect on its business and the Corporation's consolidated financial statements.

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CRM's actual regulatory adjusted net worth and the minimum amount required by HUD were as follows:

	December 31, -----	
	2003	2002
	----	----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Actual adjusted net worth	\$ 1,502	\$ 960
Minimum required	63	63

HUD regulations require that 20%, up to a maximum of \$100,000, of the adjusted net worth amount be held in liquid assets. CRM's liquid assets for regulatory purposes totaled \$1,310,000 and \$876,000, respectively, as of December, 31, 2003 and 2002.

NOTE 20 - SUBSEQUENT EVENT

During the first quarter of 2003, the Corporation obtained \$9,815,000 proceeds from the issuance of a \$10,000,000 series of trust preferred securities. Of this amount, \$3,000,000 was used to provide additional capital to two of the Banks, approximately \$1,400,000 was used to repay a short-term line of credit of the mortgage banking subsidiary, and approximately \$635,000 was used to repay the Corporation's short-term borrowings. The remainder will be used for the Corporation's general corporate purposes.

NOTE 21 - CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Presented below are the condensed financial statements for Community Bankshares, Inc. (Parent Company only):

COMMUNITY BANKSHARES, INC. (PARENT COMPANY ONLY)

	December 31, -----	
	2003	2002
	----	----
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Condensed Balance Sheets		
Assets		
Cash	\$ 1,340	\$ 712
Investment in banking subsidiaries	44,082	40,397
Investment in nonbanking subsidiary	1,502	960
Securities available-for-sale, at fair value	96	50
Premises and equipment - net	1,009	429
Goodwill	921	921
Other assets	179	404
	-----	-----
Total assets	\$49,129	\$43,873
	=====	=====
Liabilities		
Short-term borrowings	\$ 635	\$ -
Other liabilities	424	156

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Shareholders' equity	48,070	43,717
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Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$49,129	\$43,873
	=====	=====

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Condensed Statements of Income

Income

Management fees from subsidiaries	\$ 2,066
Dividends received from banking subsidiaries	1,741
Interest income	17
Other income	11

Total income	3,835

Expenses

Salaries and employee benefits	1,373
Premises and equipment	435
Supplies	92
Directors' fees	49
Interest expense	9
Other expenses	701

Total expenses	2,659

Income before income taxes and equity in

undistributed earnings of subsidiaries	1,176
Income tax expense (credit)	(192)
Equity in undistributed earnings of banking subsidiaries	3,725
Equity in undistributed earnings of nonbanking subsidiary	542

Net income	\$ 5,635
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Condensed Statements of Cash Flows

Operating activities

Net income	\$ 5,635
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Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities	
Equity in undistributed earnings of subsidiaries	(4,267)
Depreciation and amortization	205
Loss on disposal of premises and equipment	9
Decrease (increase) in other assets	225
Increase in other liabilities	268
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,075
Investing activities	
Purchase of securities available-for-sale	(46)
Investment in BOR	-
Purchases of premises and equipment	(794)
Net cash used by investing activities	(840)
Financing activities	
Increase in short-term borrowings, net	635
Issuance costs of common stock in business combinations	-
Exercise of stock options	312
Cash dividends paid	(1,554)
Net cash used by financing activities	(607)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	628
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	712
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	\$ 1,340

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NOTE 22 - QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

	Years Ended Decem				
	2003				
	Fourth Quarter	Third Quarter	Second Quarter	First Quarter	Fourth Quarter
Interest and dividend income	\$ 5,979	\$ 6,155	\$ 6,285	\$ 5,849	\$ 5,849
Interest expense	1,705	1,894	1,960	2,001	2,001
Net interest income	4,274	4,261	4,325	3,848	3,848
Provision for loan losses	344	232	279	264	264

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Net interest income after provision	3,930	4,029	4,046	3,584	
Noninterest income	1,971	2,523	2,374	2,509	
Gains (losses) on sales of securities	-	-	(298)	46	
Noninterest expense	3,870	4,109	4,218	3,735	
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Income before income taxes	2,031	2,443	1,904	2,404	
Provision for income taxes	734	871	719	823	
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Net income	\$ 1,297	\$ 1,572	\$ 1,185	\$ 1,581	\$
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Earnings per share					
Basic	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.37	\$
Diluted	0.29	0.35	0.27	0.36	

* BOR was acquired on July 1, 2002.

Item 9. Changes In and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

There were no disagreements with or changes in accountants.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Based on the evaluation required by 17 C.F.R. Section 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b) of the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in 17 C.F.R. Sections 240.13a-15(e) or 240.15d-15(e)), the Corporation's chief executive officer and chief financial officer concluded that the effectiveness of such controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this annual report, was adequate.

No disclosure is required under 17 C.F.R. Section 229.308.

PART III

Item 10. Directors and Executive Officers of the Registrant

The information set forth under the captions "Management - Directors" and "Management - Executive Officers," "Management - Committees of the Board of Directors - Audit Committee" and "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance" in the Proxy Statement to be used in conjunction with the 2004 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the "Proxy Statement"), which will be filed within 120 days of the Corporation's fiscal year end, is incorporated herein by reference.

Audit Committee Financial Expert

The Corporation's board of directors has determined that the Corporation does not have an "audit committee financial expert," as that term is defined by Item 401(h) of Regulation S-K promulgated by the Securities and

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Exchange Commission, serving on its audit committee. The Corporation's audit committee is a committee of directors who are elected by the shareholders and who are independent of the Corporation and its management. After reviewing the experience and training of all of the Corporation's independent directors, the board of directors has concluded that no independent director meets the SEC's very demanding definition. Therefore, it would be necessary to find a qualified individual willing to serve as both a director and member of the audit committee and have that person elected by the shareholders in order to have an "audit committee financial expert" serving on the Corporation's audit committee. The Corporation's audit committee is, however, authorized to use consultants to provide financial accounting expertise in any instance where members of the committee believe such assistance would be useful. Accordingly, the Corporation does not believe that it needs to have an "audit committee financial expert" on its audit committee.

Code of Ethics

The Corporation has adopted a code of ethics (as defined by C.F.R. 229.406) that applies to its principal executive officer and principal financial officer. The code of ethics is posted on the Corporation's website at www.communitybanksharesinc.com.

Item 11. Executive Compensation

With the exception of the information set forth under the captions "Board Report on Executive Officer Compensation" and "Shareholder Performance Graph", which is not incorporated herein by reference, the information set forth under the caption "Management Compensation" in the Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

The information set forth under the caption "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management" in the Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

Equity Compensation Plan Information. The following table sets forth aggregated information as of December 31, 2003 about all of the Corporation's compensation plans (including individual compensation arrangements) under which equity securities of the Corporation are authorized for issuance.

	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a)	Weighted average exercise price of outstanding warrants and (b)
Stock option plan -----		
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	357,591	\$ 11.2
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	NA -----	N -----
Total	357,591	\$ 11.2

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The Corporation's 1997 Stock Option Plan, and issuance of up to 485,600 shares under that plan, have previously been approved by shareholders. At its 2004

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Annual Meeting of Shareholders, the Corporation plans to submit for shareholder approval a proposal to increase the number of shares authorized for issuance under this plan by 300,000 to an aggregate of 785,600.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

The information set forth under the caption "Certain Relationships and Related Transactions" in the Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

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Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

The information set forth under the caption "Independent Public Accountants - Fees Billed by Independent Auditors" and "- Audit Committee Pre-Approval of Audit and Permissible Non-Audit Services of Independent Auditors" in the 2004 Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 15. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

(a) (1) All financial statements:

Consolidated Balance Sheets, December 31, 2003 and 2002
Consolidated Statements of Income, Years Ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001
Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity, Years Ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, Years Ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

(2) Financial statement schedules:

Quarterly Data for 2003 and 2002

(3)

Exhibit No. Description
(from item 601 of S-K)

3.1	Articles of Incorporation, as amended (incorporated by reference to exhibits filed in the Registrant's Form 10-QSB filed September 30, 1997).
3.2	Bylaws, as amended (incorporated by reference to exhibits filed in the Registrant's Form S-4, Commission File No. 33-55314).
4	Stockcertificate (incorporated by reference to exhibits filed in the

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- Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-2, filed September 11, 1995, Commission File No. 33-96746).
- 10.1 Form S-8, filed June 22, 2001, Commission File No. 333-63598).
- 10.2 Leasefor site of Florence National Bank (incorporated by reference to Registrant's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999).
- 10.3 Change of Control Agreements between the Registrant and each of William W. Traynham, Michael A. Wolfe, William H. Nock and Jesse A. Nance (incorporated by reference to exhibits to Registrant's Form 10-QSB for the quarter ended June 30, 1999).
- 10.4 Loan Agreement, dated November 1, 2001, among Registrant, Resource Mortgage, Inc. and Branch Bank and Trust Company (incorporated by reference to exhibits filed in the Registrant's Form 10-Q for the quarter end September 30, 2001).
- 10.5 Amended and Restated Guaranty, dated October 7, 2002, by Registrant of obligations of Community Resource Mortgage, Inc. to Branch Bank and Trust Company (incorporated by reference to exhibits filed in the Registrant's Form 10-Q for the quarter end September 30, 2002).
- 10.6 Employment Agreement between Community Resource Mortgage Inc. and A. Wade Douroux (incorporated by reference to exhibits filed in the Registrant's Form S-4, Commission File No. 333-819000).

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- 10.7 Form of Employment Agreement between the Corporation and William A. Harwell (incorporated by reference to exhibits filed in the Registrant's Form S-4, Commission File No. 333-819000).
- 21 Subsidiaries of the registrant
- 23 Consent of J. W. Hunt and Company, LLP
- 31.1 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certifications of Chief Executive Officer
- 31.2 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certifications of Chief Financial Officer
- 32 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 Certifications

- (b) Reports on Form 8-K. Form 8-K, filed on October 31, 2003, pursuant to Item 12 of that form.

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

DATED: March 29, 2004

By: s/ E. J. Ayers, Jr.

Chief Executive Officer

By s/ William W. Traynham

Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

s/ Alvis J. Bynum

Date: March 29, 2004

Alvis J. Bynum, Director

s/ Martha Rose C. Carson

Date: March 29, 2004

Martha Rose C. Carson, Director

s/ Anna O. Dantzler

Date: March 29, 2004

Anna O. Dantzler, Director

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s/ Thomas B. Edmunds

Thomas B. Edmunds, Director

Date: March 29, 2004

s/ A. Wade Douroux

A. Wade Douroux, Director

Date: March 29, 2004

s/J. M. Guthrie

J. M. Guthrie, Director

Date: March 29, 2004

s/ William A. Harwell

William A. Harwell, Director

Date: March 29, 2004

s/Richard L. Havekost

Richard L. Havekost, Director

Date: March 29, 2004

s/ Phil P. Leventis

Phil P. Leventis, Director

Date: March 29, 2004

s/John V. Nicholson

John V. Nicholson, Director

Date: March 29, 2004

s/William H. Nock

William H. Nock, Director

Date: March 29, 2004

s/ Samuel F. Reid, Jr.

Samuel F. Reid, Jr., Director

Date: March 29, 2004

s/ J. Otto Warren, Jr.

J. Otto Warren, Jr., Director

Date: March 29, 2004

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s/Wm. Reynolds Williams

Wm. Reynolds Williams, II, Director

Date: March 29, 2004

s/ Michael A. Wolfe

Date: March 29, 2004

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Michael A. Wolfe, Director

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