

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

FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) October 20, 2004

Farmers & Merchants Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Ohio 000-14492 34-1469491

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer  
of Incorporation) Identification No.)

307-11 N. Defiance, Archbold, Ohio 43502

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code (419) 446-2501

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to  
simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the  
following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act  
(17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act  
(17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the  
Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

ITEM 2.02(a). RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On October 20, 2004, Farmers & Merchants Bancorp, Inc. sent a letter and financial information to shareholders also enclosing a check for dividends in the amount of \$0.45 per share. A copy of the information sent to shareholders is attached hereto as Exhibit 20.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- (a) Financial Statements of businesses acquired. Not Applicable.
- (b) Pro forma financial information. Not Applicable.
- (c) Exhibits:

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
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20	Letter to Shareholders announcing quarterly dividends.

SIGNATURE

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

Dated: October 21, 2004

/s/ Joe E. Crossgrove  
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Joe E. Crossgrove  
President & Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Barbara J. Britenriker  
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Barbara J. Britenriker  
Executive Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial and Accounting  
Officer)

EXHIBIT INDEX

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[FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANCORP, INC. LOGO]

REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS  
THIRD QUARTER  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2004

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MESSAGE FOR MANAGEMENT

October 20, 2004

Dear Shareholders:

Enclosed is your regular quarterly dividend of \$.45 per share payable October 20, 2004, to shareholders of record September 10, 2004, along with the first nine months Statement of Operations. Profits for the first nine months have been strong and with your continued support and the efforts of our employees, we hope to maintain this performance for the rest of the year.

After three years of historically low interest rates, with recent increases of the prime rate by 75 basis points, they have now begun to rise. An increase of 50 more basis points is expected by the first quarter of next year in The Federal Reserve's effort to keep inflation under control. The need for loans continues and remains very competitive. The increase in the Federal Funds rate is not having a negative impact on loan demand. The balance of the year will remain very challenging; however, as always, we remain optimistic. We look forward to maintaining our goals of sound, stable growth.

We are very pleased to announce that Daniel W. Schutt joined the bank as of July 15, 2004 as Executive Vice President and Chief Loan Administrator. Dan and his wife Rebecca live in Antwerp, Ohio having always resided in Northwest Ohio. Please stop in the Main Office and introduce yourself to Dan at your convenience. We are very pleased to have Dan as the newest member of the F & M family.

Once again our Agricultural Staff purchased livestock at the Northwest Ohio County Fairs (Fulton, Henry, Williams and Defiance) as well as the Hillsdale and Lucas County Fairs. We are always pleased to show our support for our youth in the agricultural field.

The directors, officers and staff thank you for your support and extend to you our best wishes for the rest of the year.

Sincerely,

/s/ Joe E. Crossgrove  
Joe E. Crossgrove  
President/CEO

DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS OF  
FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANCORP, INC.

DIRECTORS

EUGENE D BERNATH  
Chairman of the Board  
The Farmers & Merchants State Bank  
DEXTER L. BENECKE  
President, Viking Trucking  
Vice President, SanJan, Inc.  
JERRY L. BOYERS  
President, Edifice Construction Management  
JOE E. CROSSGROVE  
President & Chief Executive Officer  
The Farmers & Merchants State Bank  
STEVEN A. EVERHART  
Secretary/Treasurer, MCB Holding, Inc.  
ROBERT G. FREY  
President, E.H. Frey & Sons, Inc.  
President, Yoder & Frey, Inc.  
JACK C. JOHNSON  
President, Hawk's Clothing, Inc.  
Partner, REJO Partnership  
DEAN E. MILLER  
President, MBC Holdings, Inc.  
ANTHONY J. RUPP  
President, Rupp Furniture Co.  
DAVID P RUPP, JR.  
Attorney, Plassman, Rupp, Hensal, Short & Hagans  
JAMES C. SANEHOLTZ  
President, Saneholtz-McKarns, Inc.  
KEVIN J. SAUDER  
President & CEO, Sauder Woodworking Company  
MERLE J. SHORT  
President, Promow, Inc.  
STEVEN J. WYSE  
President, SteelinQ Systems, Inc.

OFFICERS

EUGENE D. BERNATH  
Chairman of the Board  
JOE E. CROSSGROVE  
President, Chief Executive Officer & Treasurer  
DEAN E. MILLER  
Vice Chairman of the Board  
DAVID P. RUPP, JR.  
Vice President  
BARBARA J. BRITENRIKER

Chief Financial Officer

CAROL J. ENGLAND

Secretary

LYDIA A. HUBER

Assistant Secretary

DAVID W. KOWALSKI

Senior Auditor

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

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	SEPTEMBER 30, 2004	DECEMBER 31, 2003	SEPTEMBER 30, 2003
	(UNAUDITED) (DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)		
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Cash and due from banks	\$ 15,397	\$ 18,873	\$ 15,531
Interest Bearing Deposits in Other Banks	1,740	662	608
Investment Securities			
U.S. Treasury	2,913	6,637	2,823
U.S. Government Agencies	106,631	111,011	113,212
State & Political Subdivisions	56,350	51,016	53,297
All Others	3,617	2,028	1,973
Federal Funds Sold & Securities Purchased			
Under Agreement to Resell	0	0	0
Loans & Leases	488,784	480,339	489,928
Bank Premises and Equipment	15,520	15,874	15,906
Accrued Interest and Other Assets	14,539	19,263	18,526
TOTAL ASSETS	\$705,491	\$705,703	\$711,804
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Deposits			
Non-interest bearing	47,953	50,710	42,623
Interest bearing	530,708	524,356	528,553
Federal Funds Purchased & Securities Sold			
Under Agreement to Repurchase	21,664	27,319	29,531
Other Borrowed Money	23,248	24,374	27,139
Accrued Interest and Other Liabilities	3,637	4,088	10,290
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$627,210	\$630,847	\$638,136
<b>SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY:</b>			
Common Stock, no par value -			
Authorized 1,500,000 shares;			
issued 1,300,000 shares	12,677	12,677	12,677
Undivided Profits	64,629	60,196	58,831
Accumulated other comprehensive income	975	1,983	2,160
TOTAL SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY	78,281	74,856	73,668
TOTAL LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY	\$705,491	\$705,703	\$711,804

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS

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	THIRD QUARTER ENDED SEPT. 30, 2004	THIRD QUARTER ENDED SEPT. 30, 2003	NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30, 2004	NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30, 2003
	(UNAUDITED) (DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)		(UNAUDITED) (DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	
Interest income	\$ 9,249	\$ 10,182	\$ 27,920	\$ 31,268
Interest expense	2,759	3,361	8,284	11,297
Net Interest Income	6,490	6,821	19,636	19,971
Provision for loan losses	150	675	941	5,373
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	6,340	6,146	18,695	14,598
Non interest income	1,374	1,589	3,866	5,033
Non interest expense	4,644	4,044	13,744	12,380
Income tax expense	929	1,100	2,629	1,691
NET INCOME	2,141	2,591	6,188	5,560
Net income per share based on 1,300,000 outstanding shares	\$ 1.65	\$ 1.99	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.28
Other comprehensive income, net of tax: Unrealized gains (losses) on loans and securities held as available for sale	1,397	(1,529)	(1,008)	(1,556)
Comprehensive Income	\$ 3,538	\$ 1,062	\$ 5,180	\$ 4,004

"This Statement has not been reviewed, or confirmed for accuracy or relevance, by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation."

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307-11 N. Defiance St.  
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Woodland Office  
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Archbold, Ohio 43502  
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Operations Center  
620 S. Clyde's Way  
Archbold, Ohio 43502  
(419)446-2501

WAUSEON

North Shoop Office  
1130 N. Shoop Ave.  
Wauseon, Ohio 43567  
(419)337-2010

Downtown Office  
119 N. Fulton St.  
Wauseon, Ohio 43567  
(419)337-3085

BRYAN

East High Office  
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Bryan, Ohio 43506  
(419)636-9011

SouthTowne Office  
1000 S. Main St.  
Bryan, Ohio 43506  
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WEST UNITY

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West Unity, Ohio 43570  
(419)924-2321

DELTA

101 Main St.  
Delta, Ohio 43515  
(419)822-9510

NAPOLEON

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Napoleon, Ohio 43545  
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West Main Office  
225 W. Main St.  
Montpelier, Ohio 43543  
(419)485-8387

Eastside Office  
1150 E. Main St.  
Montpelier, Ohio 43543  
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SWANTON

7 Turtle Creek Circle  
Swanton, Ohio 43558  
(419)825-3339

DEFIANCE

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Defiance, Ohio 43512  
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