SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 27, 2005

CORNERSTONE BANCORP, INC./CT

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Connecticut (State or other Jurisdiction

0-25465 (Commission File Number) 06-1524044 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

Identification No.)

550 Summer Street, Stamford, CT (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

06901 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (203) 356-0111

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N/A

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

Check the appropriate box 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)
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- " 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))

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Cornerstone Bancorp, Inc.
Section 8. Other Events.
Item 8.01. Other Events.
On September 27, 2005, Cornerstone Bancorp, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that NewAlliance Bancshares, Inc. had received the required final regulatory approvals from both the Connecticut Banking Department and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
to acquire the Company. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.
Section 9. Financial Statements and Exhibits.
Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(c) Exhibits.
Exhibit No. Description
Press Release dated September 27, 2005
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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 hereto duly authorized.

Dated: September 27, 2005 CORNERSTONE BANCORP, INC.

By /s/ James P. Jakubek

James P. Jakubek Executive Vice President

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