

PATRIOT NATIONAL BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
March 16, 2006

**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): March 16, 2006

Patriot National Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Connecticut (State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | 000-29599 (Commission File Number) | 06-1559137 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
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900 Bedford Street, Stamford, Connecticut 06901
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(203) 324-7500
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On March 16, 2006, Patriot National Bancorp, Inc. issued a press release announcing its first quarter quarterly dividend on its Common Stock.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number **Description**

99.1: Press Release dated March 16, 2006

SIGNATURES

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

PATRIOT NATIONAL BANCORP, INC.

Registrant

March 16, 2006

By: /s/ Charles F. Howell
Charles F. Howell
President and Chief Executive Officer

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