HAWTHORN BANCSHARES, INC. Form 8-K May 18, 2015

UNITED STATES

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): May 15, 2015

Commission File Number: 0-23636

Hawthorn Bancshares, Inc. (Exact name of small business issuer as specified in its charter)

Missouri (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 43-1626350 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

132 East High Street, PO Box 688, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 (Address of principal executive offices)

> 573-761-6179 (Registrant's Telephone number)

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 15, 2015 Hawthorn Bancshares, Inc. issued a press release announcing its Board of Directors approved a quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per common share payable July 1, 2015 to shareholders of record at the close of business June 15, 2015. The Board also approved a stock dividend of 4% payable July 1, 2015 to shareholders of record at the close of business on June 15,2015.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The full text of the press release is furnished as an exhibit to this report on Form 8-K.

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.

Hawthorn Bancshares, Inc.

Date: *May 15, 2015* By: /s/ David T. Turner

> Name: David T. Turner Title: Chairman, CEO & President

Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. Description

EX-99.1 Hawthorn Bancshares Announces Cash and Stock Dividend