Kearny Financial Corp. Form 8-K September 22, 2005

> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20552

> > FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

September 20, 2005

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

KEARNY FINANCIAL CORP.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

United States 0-51093 22-3803741 (State or other jurisdiction (File No.) (IRS Employer of incorporation) Identification Number)

120 Passaic Avenue,	Fairfield, Ne	w Jersey	07004
(Address of princip	al executive o	ffices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (973) 244-4500

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last Report)

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INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN REPORT

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ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On September 20, 2005, the Registrant issued a press release to report that the Company's Board of Directors has declared a \$0.05 per share quarterly cash dividend to stockholders of record as of October 7, 2005. The majority of the outstanding stock of the Company is owned by Kearny MHC, a mutual holding company. This is the Company's second dividend since completing its initial public stock offering in February 2005 and is an increase from the first quarterly dividend of \$0.04 per share.

A copy of the press release is furnished with this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99 and the information contained in the press release is incorporated herein.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

Exhibit	Description
Number	

99 Press Release dated September 20, 2005

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, thereunto duly authorized.

KEARNY FINANCIAL CORP.

Date: September 21, 2005

By: /s/ Craig Montanaro

Craig Montanaro Senior Vice President and Director of Strategic Planning