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September 25, 2006

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

FORM 8-K/A

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 1, 2006

First Bancshares, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Missouri	0-22842	43-1654695
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
142 East First Street, Mountain Grove, Missouri		65711
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code		(417) 926-5151

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

First Bancshares, Inc. ("Company") is filing this amendment to its Current Report on Form 8-K, dated September 1, 2006 to amend its earnings release for the fourth quarter and the year ended June 30, 2006. After the original Form 8-K was filed, the Company became aware of certain transactions related to the other than temporary impairment of two equity securities that had not been identified or recorded. A copy of the full press release, as corrected, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On September 1, 2006, the Company issued a press release regarding its financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. A copy of this release was furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report, and as corrected is furnished hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 News Release of First Bancshares, Inc. dated September 25, 2006 to Revise the Release dated September 1, 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.

Date: September 25, 2006

FIRST BANCSHARES, INC.

/s/James W. Duncan

James W. Duncan
President and Chief Executive Officer And
Acting
Principal Financial and Accounting Officer

Exhibit 99.1

News Release of First Bancshares, Inc. dated September 25, 2006
(to Revise the Release dated September 1, 2006)

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FIRST BANCSHARES, INC. ANNOUNCES RESULTS FOR FOURTH QUARTER AND FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

AMENDING PREVIOUSLY RELEASED EARNINGS

Mountain Grove, Missouri (September 25, 2006) First Bancshares, Inc. (NASDAQ FstBksh : FBSI), ("The Company"), the holding company for First Home Savings Bank ("Bank") became aware after the September 1, 2006 release of earnings, that as of June 30, 2006, the Company had not identified or recorded certain transactions related to the other than temporary impairment of two equity securities. These transactions resulted in a charge to earnings of \$260,260 and were identified after discussion with the Company's independent registered public accounting firm and were corrected after the September 1, 2006 release of the Company's earnings for the fourth quarter and year ended June 30, 2006. The above provision for impairment of securities available-for-sale resulted in a reduction of net income totaling \$219,827.

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The Company had a net loss of \$566,827 for the quarter, or \$(0.36) per share (basic) and net loss of \$172,827, or \$(0.11) per share (basic) for the year ended June 30, 2006. Net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 2005 was \$652,000, or \$(0.42) per share (basic). Net income for the year ended June 30, 2005 was \$1,317,000, or \$0.83 per share (basic).

In a July 20, 2006 press release, the Company announced that it would increase its allowance for loan losses by \$407,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2006. The increase is in connection with a standard internal review by the Bank of major loan credits in its loan portfolio. New information was obtained on two borrowers which resulted in a concern over the ability to repay certain outstanding loans as well as the value of collateral securing these loans.

Also during the quarter ended June 30, 2006, the Bank recorded a \$235,000 loss on land owned for future expansion. The expense was to write down the original purchase price and capitalized development costs to market value based on a third party appraisal. In order to better position earnings on investment securities, the Bank sold \$7.0 million of securities at a loss of \$161,000. The proceeds will be reinvested in higher yielding investments.

Included in the net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 2005 was a provision for the increase in allowance for loan losses of \$1,765,000, as reported in a July 29, 2005 press release. The increase was in connection with the Bank's determination there had been further adverse developments with respect to certain loans in the Bank's loan portfolio. The net income for the year ended June 30, 2005 included \$800,000 of income from bank-owned life insurance proceeds, a \$590,000 expense for other credit losses and related expenses and the \$1,765,000 expense for the increase in allowance for loan losses noted in the previous paragraph.

Total consolidated assets at June 30, 2006 were \$228,395,000 compared to \$244,007,000 at June 30, 2005. Stockholders' equity at June 30, 2006 was \$26,291,000, or 12% of assets, compared to \$26,817,000, or 11% of assets, a year ago. Book value per common share decreased to \$16.93 at June 30, 2006 from \$17.28 at June 30, 2005.

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Net loans decreased \$16,156,000, or 10%, from \$158,143,000 at June 30, 2005 to \$141,987,000 at June 30, 2006. Deposits decreased \$8,002,000, or 4%, from \$187,143,000 at June 30, 2005 to \$179,141,000 at June 30, 2006.

An eleventh stock repurchase plan for 164,336 shares was initiated on May 28, 2004. As of August 28, 2005, 93,753 shares had been repurchased under that plan at a cost of \$1,937,000 at an average cost of \$20.66 per share.

First Bancshares, Inc. is the holding company for First Home Savings Bank, an FDIC-insured savings bank chartered by the State of Missouri that conducts business from its home office in Mountain Grove, Missouri and ten full service branch facilities in Marshfield, Ava, Gainesville, Sparta, Theodosia, Crane, Galena, Kisse Mills, Rockaway Beach and Springfield, Missouri.

Forward-looking statements

The discussions in this press release which are not historical statements contain forward-looking statements that involve risk and uncertainties. Statements which are not historical statements include those in the future tense or which use terms such as "believe," "expect," and "anticipate." Actual future results could differ in important and material ways from those discussed. Many factors could cause or contribute to such differences. In addition, the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission discuss a number of other factors which may affect its future operations. These factors include changing interest rates, changes in demand for loans or other services, competition from other institutions, the results of our lending activities and loan loss experience, general economic and political developments, and other factors discussed in those filings. The statements made herein are only made as of the date of this press release and the Company undertakes no obligations to publicly update such statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.

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First Bancshares, Inc. and Subsidiaries Financial Highlights (In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Quarter		Twelve Months	
	Ended June 30,		Ended June 30,	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
Operating Data:				
Total interest income	\$ 3,242	\$ 3,276	\$12,913	\$13,265
Total interest expense	1,593	1,254	5,987	5,091
Provision for loan losses	607	1,995	1,520	2,333
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	1,042	27	5,406	5,841
Noninterest income	(46)	531	1,481	2,907
Noninterest expense	1,584	1,756	7,151	7,415
Income (loss) before income tax	(588)	(1,198)	(264)	1,333

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Income tax expense (savings)	(21)	(546)	(91)	16
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Net income (loss)	\$ (567)	\$ (652)	\$ (173)	\$ 1,317
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Net income (loss) per share-basic	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.42)	\$ (0.11)	\$ 0.83
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Net income (loss) per share-diluted	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.42)	\$ (0.11)	\$ 0.83
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Financial Condition Data:	At	At
	June 30, 2006	June 30, 2005
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Total assets	\$ 228,395	\$ 244,007
Loans receivable, net	141,987	158,143
Nonperforming assets	1,341	5,386
Cash and cash equivalents, including interest-bearing deposits	23,474	20,617
Securities including certificates of deposit	45,533	47,982
Customer deposits	179,141	187,143
Borrowed funds	22,000	29,074
Stockholders' equity	26,291	26,817
Book value per share	16.93	17.28