

BAR HARBOR BANKSHARES  
Form 8-K  
January 19, 2016

**UNITED STATES**  
**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)    January 19, 2016

**Bar Harbor Bankshares**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Maine**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**001-13349**

**01-0393663**

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**P.O. Box 400**

**Main Street, Bar Harbor, ME**

**04609-0400**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

**(207) 288-3314**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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

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**ITEM 8.01**

**OTHER EVENTS**

Bar Harbor Bankshares (NYSE MKT: BHB) (the Company) issued a press release on January 19, 2016 announcing that the Company's Board of Directors declared at its meeting held on January 19, 2016, a quarterly cash dividend of 26.5 cents per share of common stock, representing an increase of 0.5 cents, or 1.9% compared with the prior quarter, and an increase of 2.0 cents or 8.2% compared with the first quarter of 2015. The dividend will be payable to all shareholders of record as of the close of business February 12, 2016 and will be paid on March 15, 2016. A copy of the Company's press release is filed with this current report as an exhibit.

**ITEM 9.01**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d)

Exhibits No. Description

a.1

Copy of Company's press release dated January 19, 2016 filed herewith.

**SIGNATURES**

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

Dated: January 19, 2016

BAR HARBOR BANKSHARES

/s/ Gerald Shencavitz

Gerald Shencavitz

EVP & Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

99.1 Press Release dated January 19, 2016