MACKINAC FINANCIAL CORP /MI/ Form 8-K December 17, 2013

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): December 17, 2013

MACKINAC FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(previous filings under the name NORTH COUNTRY FINANCIAL CORPORATION)

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MICHIGAN (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **0-20167** (Commission File Number) **38-2062816** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

130 SOUTH CEDAR STREET, MANISTIQUE, MICHIGAN (Address of principal executive offices)

49854 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (888) 343-8147

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Item 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.

On December 17, 2013, the Board of Directors of Mackinac Financial Corporation (the *Company*) declared a cash dividend of \$.05 per common share, payable January 8, 2014 to shareholders of record as of December 30, 2013.

The Corporation also announced that its Board of Directors authorized the continuance of the stock buyback program by increasing the original \$600,000 authorized by an additional \$600,000.

On December 17, 2013, the Company issued a press release announcing both the dividend and the continuance of the stock buyback program. A copy of the press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this item, including that which is incorporated by reference, is being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). Such information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are furnished herewith:

EXHIBIT NUMBER

EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION

99.1 Press Release of Mackinac Financial Corporation dated December 17, 2013

SIGNATURE

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.

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Date: December 17, 2013

By: /s/ Ernie R. Krueger Ernie R. Krueger EVP/CFO

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