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) October 18, 2012

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-12820

(Commission File Number) **54-1284688** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

628 Main Street, Danville, VA

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

24541

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 434-792-5111

Not Applicable

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

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 18, 2012, American National Bankshares Inc. reports second quarter 2012 earnings.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits:

99.1 October 18, 2012 News Release

99.2 Quarterly Balance Sheets, Statements of Income, Net Interest Income Analysis and Selected Financial Data

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: October 18, 2012

<u>/s/ William W. Traynham</u> Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer