

AMES NATIONAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
May 10, 2012

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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

May 9, 2012

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

AMES NATIONAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

IOWA

(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or Organization)

0-32637

(Commission File Number)

42-1039071

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

405 FIFTH STREET

AMES, IOWA 50010

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (515) 232-6251

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former Name, Former Address and Former Fiscal Year, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Other Events

On May 9, 2012, Ames National Corporation announced the declaration of a cash dividend. A copy of the press release dated May 9, 2012 is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

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Financial Statement and Exhibits

(d) The following exhibit is furnished as part of this Report.

Exhibit No.	Description
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<u>99.1</u>	News Release dated May 9, 2012
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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.

AMES NATIONAL CORPORATION

Date: May 10, 2012

By: /s/ Thomas H. Pohlman  
Thomas H. Pohlman, President  
(Principal Executive Officer)

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