

**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) **September 23, 2014**

ConnectOne Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-35812
(Commission File Number)

26-1998619
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

301 Sylvan Avenue
Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey
(Address of principal executive offices)

07632
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(201) 816-8900**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On September 23, 2014 the Registrant issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated September 23, 2014

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.

September 23, 2014

(Date)

ConnectOne Bancorp, Inc.

(Registrant)

/s/ WILLIAM S. BURNS

William S. Burns
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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99.1 Press release dated September 23, 2014

ConnectOne Bancorp, Inc. Declares Cash Dividend of \$0.075 per Share

ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N.J., Sept. 23, 2014 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- **ConnectOne Bancorp, Inc.** (Nasdaq:CNOB) ("ConnectOne" or the "Corporation"), parent company of **ConnectOne Bank**, (the "Bank"), announced that the Board of Directors of ConnectOne Bancorp has declared a common cash dividend of \$0.075 per share. The dividend will be paid on November 3, 2014, to all shareholders of record on October 17, 2014.

About ConnectOne Bancorp, Inc.

ConnectOne is a New Jersey corporation and a registered bank holding company pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. The Bank is a community-based, full-service New Jersey-chartered commercial bank that was founded in 2005. The Bank operates from its headquarters located at 301 Sylvan Avenue in the Borough of Englewood Cliffs, Bergen County, New Jersey, and through its 23 other banking offices. For more information regarding ConnectOne Bank, visit <https://www.ConnectOneBank.com>.

Forward-Looking Statements

All non-historical statements in this press release (including statements regarding loan growth) constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements may use forward-looking terminology such as "expect," "look," "believe," "plan," "anticipate," "may," "will" or similar statements or variations of such terms or otherwise express views concerning trends and the future. Such forward-looking statements involve certain risks and uncertainties. These include, but are not limited to, the direction of interest rates, continued levels of loan quality and origination volume, continued relationships with major customers, including sources for loans, as well as the effects of international, national, regional and local economic conditions and legal and regulatory barriers and structure, including those relating to economic recovery and the deregulation of the financial services industry, and other risks cited in the Corporation's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and other reports filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Actual results may differ materially from such forward-looking statements. ConnectOne Bancorp, Inc. assumes no obligation for updating any such forward-looking statement at any time.

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