

SILICON VALLEY BANCSHARES  
Form 8-K  
October 21, 2004

**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 21, 2004**

**Silicon Valley Bancshares**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**000-15637**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**91-1962278**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**3003 Tasman Drive, Santa  
Clara, CA**  
(Address of principal executive  
offices)

**95054-1191**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(408) 654-7400**

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

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

Silicon Valley Bancshares is furnishing as Exhibit 99.1 a copy of its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2004.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(c) Exhibits**

99.1 Silicon Valley Bancshares financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2004.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

SILICON VALLEY BANCSHARES

Date: October 21, 2004

/s/ Donal D. Delaney  
Donal D. Delaney  
Controller  
(Principal Accounting Officer)