Section 1: 8-K (BANK OF THE OZARKS, INC. 8-K)

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 31, 2012

Bank of the Ozarks, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Arkansas (State of incorporation or other jurisdiction) 333-27641 (Commission File Number) 71-0556208 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

17901 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock, Arkansas (Address of principal executive offices)

72223 (Zip Code)

(501) 978-2265 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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 provisi	isions (see General Instruction A.2. below):	
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Pre-commence	cement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) u	under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
Pre-commence	cement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) un	nder the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
Item 8.01 – Othe	her Information.	
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Item 9.01 Financ	ncial Statements and Exhibits.	
(d) Exhibits.		
Exhibit No.		Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press Release dated December 31, 2012 whereby Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. Announces Completion of its Acquisition of Genala Banc, Inc. in Geneva, Alabama.	
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	to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act d hereunto duly authorized.	of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by
		BANK OF THE OZARKS, INC. (Registrant)
Date: Decemb	nber 31, 2012	/s/ Greg McKinney Greg McKinney
		Chief Financial Officer
		and Chief Accounting Officer
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Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. Completes Acquisition of Genala Banc, Inc. in Geneva, Alabama

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--December 31, 2012--Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. (NASDAQ: OZRK) announced today completion of its acquisition of Genala Banc, Inc. pursuant to a previously announced definitive agreement and plan of merger whereby Genala Banc, Inc. merged into Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. effective December 31, 2012 in a transaction valued at approximately \$27.5 million, based on the closing price of Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. common stock on December 28, 2012, the last business day before the merger.

Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. issued 423,616 shares of its common stock valued at approximately \$14.1 million as of December 28, 2012, plus approximately \$13.4 million in cash for all outstanding shares of Genala Banc, Inc. common stock. The transaction is accretive to the Company's book value per common share and tangible book value per common share and is expected to be immediately accretive to diluted earnings per common share.

Genala Banc, Inc. was the holding company for The Citizens Bank, which operated one banking office in Geneva, Alabama. Simultaneous with the closing of the transaction in which Genala Banc, Inc. merged into Bank of the Ozarks, Inc., The Citizens Bank merged into the Company's whollyowned bank subsidiary, Bank of the Ozarks.

Jerome Parrish, a 20-year veteran of The Citizens Bank was named Geneva Market President and will oversee banking operations for Bank of the Ozarks in Geneva. The Citizens Bank's long-time president Roy G. Dowdy, Jr. previously announced his retirement to occur in conjunction with the closing of the transaction.

Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. is a bank holding company with \$3.82 billion in total assets as of September 30, 2012 and trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "OZRK." The Company owns a state-chartered subsidiary bank that conducts banking operations through 117 offices in Arkansas, Georgia, Texas, Florida, Alabama, North Carolina and South Carolina. The Company may be contacted at (501) 978-2265 or P.O. Box 8811, Little Rock, Arkansas 72231-8811. The Company's website is: www.bankozarks.com.

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