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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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

May 22, 2018

TriCo Bancshares

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California (State or other jurisdiction of 0-10661 (Commission File No.) 94-2792841 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

63 Constitution Drive, Chico, California95973(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (530) 898-0300

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01: Other Events

The Board of Directors of TriCo Bancshares (NASDAQ: TCBK), parent company of Tri Counties Bank, declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.17 (seventeen cents) per share on May 22, 2018. The dividend is payable on June 29, 2018 to holders of record on June 15, 2018.

Item 9.01: Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated May 23, 2018

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.

TRICO BANCSHARES

/s/ Thomas J. Reddish Thomas J. Reddish, Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and

Accounting Officer)

Date: May 23, 2018