Northwest Bancshares, Inc. Form 425 April 15, 2015

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): April 15, 2015

Northwest Bancshares, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **001-34582** (Commission File No.)

27-0950358 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

100 Liberty Street Warren, Pennsylvania (Address of principal executive office)

16365 (Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (814) 726-2140

(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 8.01	Other Events.	
On April 15, 2	2015, the Registrant held its annual sharehold	ders meeting. The slide presentation made to shareholders is attached as exhibit 99.1.
Item 9.01	Financial Statements a	and Exhibits
(a)	Not applicable	
(b)	Not applicable	
(c)	Not applicable	
(d)	Exhibits	
Exhibit No. 99.1	Slide presentation made to shareholders.	Description
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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.

NORTHWEST BANCSHARES, INC.

DATE: April 15, 2015 By: /s/ William W. Harvey, Jr. William W. Harvey, Jr.

Chief Financial Officer

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