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FIRST DEFIANCE FINANCIAL CORP
Form 8-K
January 24, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): January 18, 2002

First Defiance Financial Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Ohio | 0-26850 | 34-1803915 |
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| (State of Incorporation) | (Commission File No.) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

601 Clinton Street, Defiance, Ohio 43512

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 419-782-5015.

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Item 5. Other Events.

On January 18, 2002, First Federal Bank of the Midwest ("First Federal"), a wholly owned subsidiary of First Defiance Financial Corp., entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement (the "Agreement") with U.S. Bank National Association ("U.S. Bank") for the sale of The Leader Mortgage Company, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of First Federal, to U.S. Bank.

A copy of the press release announcing the sale is attached as Exhibit 99.

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Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(a) and (b). Not applicable.

(c) Exhibits.

See Index to Exhibits.

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.

FIRST DEFIANCE FINANCIAL CORP.

By: /s/ John C. Wahl

John C.Wahl
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 24, 2002

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INDEX TO EXHIBITS

| Exhibit Number ----- | Description ----- |
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| 99 | Press Release of First Defiance Financial Corp., dated January 18, 2002 |

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