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) April 11, 2013

HANMI FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

000-30421 (Commission File Number) 95-4788120 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3660 Wilshire Boulevard, PH-A Los Angeles, California

(Address of principal executive offices)

90010 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (213) 382-2200

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 provisions:

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02(c). Appointment of Certain Officers.

On April 11, 2013, Hanmi Financial Corporation ("Hanmi") announced the appointment of Mr. Shick (Mark) Yoon, age 45, as the permanent Chief Financial Officer of Hanmi and its wholly owned subsidiary, Hanmi Bank (the "Bank"), effective immediately.

Most recently, immediately prior to Mr. Yoon's appointment as permanent Chief Financial Officer of Hanmi and the Bank, Mr. Yoon was serving as Hanmi's interim Chief Financial Officer, Senior Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer in November 2011, and was appointed as interim Chief Financial Officer in October 2012. As interim Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Yoon directed the financial affairs of Hanmi and the Bank, and as Chief Strategy Officer, Mr. Yoon formulated and implemented tactical and strategic plans for Hanmi. From September 2008 until October 2011, Mr. Yoon served as Hanmi's Deputy CFO, Treasurer, and Senior Planning Officer, and in those roles, he oversaw and directed various financial functions, including investments, asset/liability management, liquidity management, and capital raising efforts. Prior to joining Hanmi, Mr. Yoon served as Controller at First Standard Bank in Los Angeles from January 2008 to July 2008. Mr. Yoon also held M&A advisory and management consulting positions at Effectuare Corp. from October 2002 to January 2008, and IGS Consulting Group from February 2001 to December 2005, where he provided financial and management consulting services to a number of middle-market companies, including community banks. From August 1997 to February 2001, Mr. Yoon was a senior auditor at Deloitte & Touche in Los Angeles. Mr. Yoon received a Master of Science degree in Accounting, with an emphasis in Financial Accounting and Finance, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration, from the University of Southern California. Mr. Yoon is also a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Valuation Analyst, and Level III candidate in a Chartered Financial Analyst program.

Mr. Yoon is eligible to participate in Hanmi's standard employee benefits plans, including its 401(k) Plan, however, Mr. Yoon is not party to and will not participate in any other material plan, contract or arrangement as Chief Financial Officer. There are no transactions in which Mr. Yoon has an interest requiring disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

A copy of the press release Mr. Yoon's appointment as Hanmi's Chief Financial Officer is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release issued by Hanmi Financial Corporation, dated April 11, 2013, announcing the appointment of Mr. Shick (Mark) Yoon as its Chief Financial Officer.

SIGNATURE

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.

HANMI FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Registrant)

/s/ JAY S. YOO

April 11, 2013

(Date)

Jay S. Yoo President and Chief Executive Officer

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Mark Yoon Confirmed as Chief Financial Officer of Hanmi Financial Corporation

LOS ANGELES, April 11, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Hanmi Financial Corporation (Nasdaq:HAFC) ("Hanmi"), the holding company for Hanmi Bank, today announced that Shick "Mark" Yoon was appointed as Chief Financial Officer, effective immediately. Mr. Yoon has served at Hanmi since 2008, and previously held the positions of interim Chief Financial Officer, Chief Strategy Officer, Deputy CFO, Treasurer and Senior Planning Officer.

"Mark has been instrumental in our strategic planning and asset/liability management over the past five years, which helped Hanmi navigate through the financial crisis, and we are very pleased to have him as our permanent Chief Financial Officer in charge of our accounting, treasury, and corporate strategy departments," said Jay Yoo, President and Chief Executive Officer of Hanmi. Mr. Yoo added that, "Mark's financial expertise, strategic vision, professionalism, and entrepreneurial spirit are qualities that we value in our senior managers as we go forward in our 31st year."

"I am honored to be named as the permanent Chief Financial Officer of Hanmi and look forward to working with our team to continue building our franchise," said Mr. Yoon.

Mr. Yoon brings over 17 years of banking experience, including nearly five years with Hanmi, to an increasingly important position. Prior to joining Hanmi, he was a financial and management consultant to a number of middle-market companies, and served as an auditor with Deloitte & Touche. He is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Valuation Analyst, and Level III candidate in a Chartered Financial Analyst program.

Mr. Yoon graduated from the University of Southern California with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. He also earned a Master of Science degree in Accounting, with an emphasis in Financial Accounting and Finance, from the University of Southern California.

About Hanmi Financial Corporation

Headquartered in Los Angeles, Hanmi Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hanmi Financial Corporation, provides services to the multi-ethnic communities of California, with 27 full-service offices in Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, San Francisco, Santa Clara and San Diego counties, and a loan production office in Washington State. Hanmi Bank specializes in commercial, SBA and trade finance lending, and is a recognized community leader. Hanmi Bank's mission is to provide a full range of quality products and premier services to its customers and to maximize stockholder value. Additional information is available at *www.hanmi.com*.

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