AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES Form SC 13D/A April 04, 2011

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 1)*

American River Bankshares

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

029326105

(CUSIP Number)

Mr. Terry Maltese, Sandler O'Neill Asset Management LLC, 780 Third Avenue, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10017 (212) 486-7300

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

March 24, 2011

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(b)(3) or (4), check the following box ".

Note: Six copies of this statement, including all exhibits, should be filed with the Commission. See Rule 13d-1(a) for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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SCHEDULE 13D

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1.	Name of Reporting Person S.S. or I.R.S. Identification No. of above person	
	Sandler O'Neill Asset Management, LLC	
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group*	(a) " (b) "
3.	SEC Use Only	
4.	Source of Funds*	
5.	00 Check Box if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)	
6.	Citizen or Place of Organization	
	New York	
	7. Sole Voting Power	
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	8. Shared Voting Power	
	909,100	
	9. Sole Dispositive Power	
	10. Shared Dispositive Power	
	909,100	

11. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

909,100

- 12. Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares*
- 13. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)

9.21%

14. Type of Reporting Person*

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CUSIP No. 029320	Page 3 of 15 Pages	
1.	Name of Reporting Person S.S. or I.R.S. Identification No. of above person	
	SOAM Holdings, LLC	
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group*	(a) " (b) "
3.	SEC Use Only	
4.	Source of Funds*	
5.	00 Check Box if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)	
6.	Citizen or Place of Organization	
	Delaware	
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7. Sole Voting Power	
	8. Shared Voting Power	
	444,600	
	9. Sole Dispositive Power	
	10. Shared Dispositive Power	
	444,600	

11. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

444,600

12. Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares*

13. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)

4.50%

14. Type of Reporting Person*

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CUSIP No. 029326105 Page 4 of 15 Pages 1. Name of Reporting Person S.S. or I.R.S. Identification No. of above person Malta Partners, L.P. 2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group* (a) " (b) " 3. SEC Use Only 4. Source of Funds* WC 5. Check Box if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e) 6. Citizen or Place of Organization Delaware Sole Voting Power NUMBER OF 8. Shared Voting Power **SHARES BENEFICIALLY** 15,000 OWNED BY **EACH** 9. Sole Dispositive Power **REPORTING PERSON** WITH 10. Shared Dispositive Power 15,000 11. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

12. Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares*

13. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)

15,000

0.15%

14. Type of Reporting Person*

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 Name of Reporting Person S.S. or I.R.S. Identification No. of above person 				
Malta Hedge l 2. Check the App	(a) " (b) "			
3. SEC Use Only				
4. Source of Funds*				
WC 5. Check Box if Items 2(d) or 2	Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required P 2(e)	Pursuant to "		
6. Citizen or Plac	ce of Organization			
Delaware				
	7. Sole Voting Power			
NUMBER OF SHARES	8. Shared Voting Power			
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	62,800			
EACH REPORTING PERSON	9. Sole Dispositive Power			
WITH	10. Shared Dispositive Power			
	62,800			
11. Aggregate An	nount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting F	Person		
62,800 12. Check Box if	the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes (Certain Shares* "		

13. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)

0.64%

14. Type of Reporting Person*

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- Name of Reporting Person
 S.S. or I.R.S. Identification No. of above person
 - Malta Hedge Fund II, L.P.
- 2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group*

(a) "

(b) "

- 3. SEC Use Only
- 4. Source of Funds*

WC

- 5. Check Box if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)
- 6. Citizen or Place of Organization