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CENTURY BANCORP, INC. ANNOUNCES INCREASED YEAR-TO-DATE EARNINGS FOR 2013, UP 5%; ASSET GROWTH OF 8.9% TO RECORD SIZE OF \$3.4 BB; REGULAR DIVIDEND DECLARED

Medford, MA, October 8, 2013---Century Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:CNBKA) (www.centurybank.com) ("the Company") today announced net income of \$15,021,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, or \$2.70 per Class A share diluted, an increase of 5.3% compared to net income of \$14,261,000, or \$2.57 per Class A share diluted, for the same period a year ago. Total assets increased 8.9% from \$3.1 billion at December 31, 2012 to \$3.4 billion at September 30, 2013. For the quarter ended September 30, 2013, net income totaled \$5,519,000, or \$0.99 per Class A share diluted, a decrease of 2.9% compared to net income of \$5,682,000, or \$1.02 per Class A share diluted, for the same period a year ago. The decrease in net income was primarily attributable to a decrease in prepayment penalties collected during the quarter ended September 30, 2013 compared to the same period last year.

Net interest income totaled \$44.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 compared to \$47.0 million for the same period in 2012. The 4.6% decrease in net interest income for the period is primarily due to \$3.0 million of prepayment penalties collected during the first nine months of 2012 compared to \$424,000 for the first nine months of 2013. The net interest margin decreased from 2.58% on a fully taxable equivalent basis in 2012 to 2.21% on the same basis for 2013. This was primarily the result of a decrease in asset yields. Also, interest expense decreased primarily as a result of the continued decline in market rates and there was a 13.6% increase in the average balances of earning assets, combined with a similar increase in average deposits.

The provision for loan losses decreased by \$1.0 million from \$3.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 to \$2.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, primarily as a result of a lower level of charge-off activity and changes in portfolio composition. The Company capitalized on favorable market conditions for the first nine months ended September 30, 2013 and realized net gains on sales of investments of \$2.7 million, as compared to \$1.1 million for the same period in 2012. The Company's effective tax rate decreased from 8.1% in 2012 to 5.6% in 2013 primarily as a result of an increase in tax-exempt income.

At September 30, 2013, total equity was \$166.3 million compared to \$180.0 million at December 31, 2012. The Company's equity decreased primarily as a result of an increase in other comprehensive loss, net of taxes, and dividends paid, offset somewhat by earnings. Other comprehensive loss, net of taxes, increased as a result of an increase in unrealized losses on securities available-for-sale and securities transferred from available-for-sale to held-to-maturity. Unrealized losses increased as a result of increases in interest rates. During the third quarter of 2013, \$987.0 million of securities available-for-sale with unrealized losses of \$25.3 million were transferred to securities held-to-maturity. This was done in response to rising interest rates.

The Company's leverage ratio stood at 6.54% at September 30, 2013, compared to 6.80% at December 31, 2012. The decrease in the leverage ratio is due to an increase in assets. Book value as of September 30, 2013 was \$29.93 per share compared to \$32.40 at December 31, 2012.

The Company's allowance for loan losses was \$21.3 million or 1.73% of loans outstanding at September 30, 2013, compared to \$19.2 million or 1.73% of loans outstanding at December 31, 2012 and \$18.7 million or 1.75% of loans outstanding at September 30, 2012. The increase in the allowance for loan losses was due to the increase in the size and composition of the loan portfolio as well as qualitative factors. Non-performing assets totaled \$3.7 million at September 30, 2013, compared to \$4.5 million at December 31, 2012 and \$5.9 million at September 30, 2012.

The Company's Board of Directors voted a regular quarterly dividend of 12.00 cents (\$0.12) per share on the Company's Class A common stock, and 6.00 cents (\$0.06) per share on the Company's Class B common stock. The dividends were declared payable November 15, 2013 to stockholders of record on November 1, 2013.

The Company, through its subsidiary bank, Century Bank and Trust Company, a state chartered full service commercial bank, operating twenty-five full-service branches in the Greater Boston area, offers a full range of Business, Personal and Institutional Services.

Century Bank and Trust Company is a member of the FDIC and is an Equal Housing Lender.

This press release contains certain "forward-looking statements" with respect to the financial condition, results of operations and business of the Company. Actual results may differ from those contemplated by these statements. The Company wishes to caution readers not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements. The Company disclaims any intent or obligation to update publicly any such forward-looking statements, whether in response to new information, future events or otherwise.

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Comparative Statements of Condition (unaudited) (in thousands)

(in thousands)	September 30,	December 31,
Assets	2013	2012
Cash and Due From Banks Federal Funds Sold and Interest-bearing Deposits In Other Banks	\$ 66,893 66,596	\$ 53,646 98,637
Short-term Investments	9,611	17,367
Securities Available-For-Sale (AFS)	494,901	1,434,801
Securities Held-to-Maturity	1,374,712	275,507
Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston stock, at cost	17,692	15,146
Loans:		
Commercial & Industrial	87,468	88,475
Construction & Land Development	32,750	38,618
Commercial Real Estate	666,166	576,465
Residential Real Estate	309,291	281,857
Consumer and Other	8,728	7,450
Home Equity	126,645	118,923
Total Loans	1,231,048	1,111,788
Less: Allowance for Loan Losses	21,250	19,197
Net Loans	1,209,798	1,092,591
Bank Premises and Equipment	23,355	23,899
Accrued Interest Receivable	6,076	5,811
Goodwill	2,714	2,714
Other Assets	88,735	66,090
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Total Assets	\$ 3,361,083	\$ 3,086,209
Liabilities		
Demand Deposits	\$ 475,644	\$ 438,429
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Interest Bearing Deposits:		
Savings and NOW Deposits	990,637	933,316
Money Market Accounts	870,298	653,345
Time Deposits	351,550	419,983
Total Interest Bearing Deposits	2,212,485	2,006,644
Total Deposits	2,688,129	2,445,073
Borrowed Funds:		
Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase	185,160	191,390
Other Borrowed Funds	241,144	195,144
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Total Borrowed Funds	426,304	386,534
Other Liabilities	44,247	38,529
Subordinated Debentures	36,083	36,083
Total Liabilities	3,194,763	2,906,219
Total Stockholders' Equity	166,320	179,990
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	\$ 3,361,083	\$ 3,086,209

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Comparative Statements of Income (unaudited) For the Quarter and Nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands)

	Quarter ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,		
	2013	2012	2013	2012	
Interest Income:					
Loans	\$ 12,856	\$ 14,494	\$ 36,734	\$ 39,114	
Securities Held-to-Maturity	6,181	1,744	9,120	φ 39,114 5,131	
Securities Available-for-Sale	1,392	5,671	12,580	17,054	
Federal Funds Sold and Interest-bearing Deposits In Other Banks		170	384	457	
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Total Interest Income	20,549	22,079	58,818	61,756	
Interest Expense:					
Savings and NOW Deposits	674	584	1,933	1,671	
Money Market Accounts	681	581	1,795	1,811	
Time Deposits	1,089	1,493	3,657	4,774	
Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase	89	94	268	274	
Other Borrowed Funds and Subordinated Debentures	2,218	2,107	6,310	6,215	
Total Interest Expense	4,751	4,859	13,963	14,745	
Net Interest Income	15,798	17,220	44,855	47,011	
Provision For Loan Losses	750	1,250	2,250	3,250	
Net Interest Income After					
Provision for Loan Losses	15,048	15,970	42,605	43,761	
Other Operating Income					
Service Charges on Deposit Accounts	2,064	1,977	6,040	5,887	
Lockbox Fees	736	745	2,346	2,225	
Net Gain on Sales of Investments	1,001	529	2,665	1,119	
Net Gain on Sales of Loans	247	166	1,238	296	
Other Income	726	688	2,140	2,185	
Total Other Operating Income	4,774	4,105	14,429	11,712	
Operating Expenses					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	8,858	8,400	25,858	24,732	
Occupancy	1,240	1,161	3,715	3,459	
Equipment	554	627	1,746	1,754	
FDIC Assessment	462	450	1,312	1,302	
Other	2,881	3,070	8,491	8,712	
Total Operating Eventures	12.005	42.700	44.400	20.050	
Total Operating Expenses	13,995	13,708	41,122	39,959	
Income Before Income Taxes	5,827	6,367	15,912	15,514	
Income Tax Expense	308	685	891	1,253	
Net Income	\$ 5,519	\$ 5,682	\$ 15,021	\$ 14,261	

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Year-to-Date Average Comparative Statements of Condition (unaudited)

(in thousands)

Assets	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	
Cash and Due From Banks Federal Funds Sold and Interest-Bearing Deposits in Other Banks	\$ 57,997 183,057	\$ 53,085 212,417	
Securities Available-For-Sale (AFS) Securities Held-to-Maturity (HTM)	1,165,760 596,938	1,240,943 266,686	
Total Loans Less: Allowance for Loan Losses	1,165,695 20,172	1,019,609 17,748	
Net Loans	1,145,523	1,001,861	
Unrealized (Loss)Gain on Securities AFS and HTM Transfers Bank Premises and Equipment Accrued Interest Receivable Goodwill Other Assets	(177) 23,591 6,139 2,714 78,513	17,631 22,490 6,124 2,714 68,339	
Total Assets	\$ 3,260,055	\$ 2,892,290	
<u>Liabilities</u> Demand Deposits	\$ 430,884	\$ 385,440	
Interest Bearing Deposits: Savings and NOW Deposits Money Market Accounts Time Deposits Total Interest Bearing Deposits	1,023,717 769,667 393,985 2,187,369	845,057 657,614 413,124 1,915,795	
Total Deposits	2,618,253	2,301,235	
Borrowed Funds: Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase Other Borrowed Funds	202,548 186,771	166,941 181,620	
Total Borrowed Funds	389,319	348,561	
Other Liabilities Subordinated Debentures	41,949 36,083	37,066 36,083	
Total Liabilities	3,085,604	2,722,945	
Total Stockholders' Equity	174,451	169,345	
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	\$ 3,260,055	\$ 2,892,290	
Total Average Earning Assets - QTD	\$ 3,261,825	\$ 2,813,626	
Total Average Earning Assets - YTD	\$ 3,111,450	\$ 2,739,655	

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Selected Key Financial Information (unaudited) (in thousands, except share data)	September 30, 2013		Se	ptember 30, 2012
Performance Measures:		2010		2012
Earnings per average Class A share, diluted, quarter	\$	0.99	\$	1.02
Earnings per average Class A share, diluted, year-to-date	\$	2.70	\$	2.57
Return on average assets, year-to-date		0.62%		0.66%
Return on average stockholders' equity, year-to-date		11.51%		11.25%
Net interest margin (taxable equivalent), quarter		2.22%		2.73%
Net interest margin (taxable equivalent), year-to-date		2.21%		2.58%
Efficiency ratio, year-to-date		62.5%		61.8%
Book value per share	\$ \$	29.93	\$	32.10
Tangible book value per share	\$	29.44	\$	31.61
Tangible capital / tangible assets		4.87%		5.92%
Common Share Data:				
Average Class A shares outstanding, diluted, quarter		5,558,031		5,549,810
Average Class A shares outstanding, diluted, year-to-date		5,557,783		5,548,133
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Shares outstanding Class A		3,578,404		3,561,804
Shares outstanding Class B		1,978,180		1,986,880
Total shares outstanding at period end	5,556,584			5,548,684
Asset Quality and Other Data:				
Allowance for loan losses / loans		1.73%		1.75%
Nonaccrual loans	\$	3,745	\$	5,458
Nonperforming assets	\$ \$ \$	3,745		5,858
Loans 90 days past due and still accruing	\$	-	\$ \$	-
Accruing troubled debt restructures	\$	6,027	\$	2,227
Net charge-offs, year-to-date	\$	197	\$	1,166
Leverage ratio		6.54%		6.95%
Tier 1 risk weighted capital ratio		13.79%		14.44%
Total risk weighted capital ratio		15.04%		15.69%
Total risk weighted assets	\$	1,615,748	\$	1,421,173
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