

CHARMING SHOPPES INC
Form 6-K
May 17, 2006

**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) May 17, 2006

CHARMING SHOPPES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

PENNSYLVANIA
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

000-07258
(Commission
File Number)

23-1721355
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

450 WINKS LANE, BENSALEM, PA
(Address of principal executive offices)

19020
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (215) 245-9100

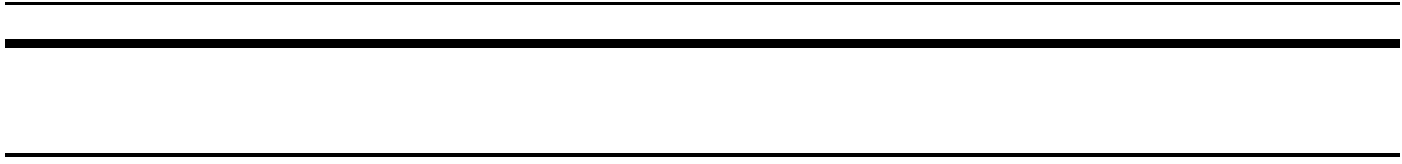
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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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



Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 17, 2006 we issued a press release announcing our sales and earnings for the first quarter ended April 29, 2006. The earnings announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

In accordance with general instruction B.2 to Form 8-K, the information included in this Item 2.02, and the exhibit attached hereto, shall be deemed to be “furnished” and shall not be deemed to be “filed” with the Securities and Exchange Commission for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

ExhibitDescription

No.

99.1 Press Release dated May 17,
2006

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.

CHARMING SHOPPES, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: May 17, 2006

/S/ERIC M. SPECTER

Eric M. Specter
Executive Vice President
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit
No.

99.1 Press Release dated May 17,
2006