CHARMING SHOPPES INC Form 8-K April 26, 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) April 24, 2006

CHARMING SHOPPES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>PENNSYLVANIA</u>

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-07258 (Commission File Number) 23-1721355 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

450 WINKS LANE, BENSALEM, PA 19020

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(215) 245-9100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On April 24, 2006, our Board of Directors (the "Board") appointed Ms. M. Jeannine Strandjord to serve as a member of the Board until our next annual meeting of shareholders. Ms. Strandjord will serve as a member of the Board's Audit and Finance Committees. A copy of the press release announcing the appointment is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

There are no arrangements or understandings between Ms. Strandjord and any other person pursuant to which Ms. Strandjord was selected to serve as a director. There are no transactions between Ms. Strandjord and management or others which are subject to the reporting requirements of Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Charming Shoppes, Inc. Press Release Dated April 25, 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: April 25, 2006

S/ ERIC M. SPECTER

Eric M. Specter Executive Vice President Chief Financial Officer

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