

CHARMING SHOPPES INC  
Form 8-K  
January 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) January 26, 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.)

<b>450 WINKS LANE, BENSLEM, PA 19020</b>
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

<b>(215) 245-9100</b>
(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:

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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 January 25, 2006, our Board of Directors (the “Board”) appointed Mr. Michael W. Luce to serve as a member of the Board until our next annual meeting of shareholders. Mr. Luce will serve as a member of the Board’s Corporate Governance and Nominating 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 Mr. Luce and any other person pursuant to which Mr. Luce was selected to serve as a director. There are no transactions between Mr. Luce 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 January 26, 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: January 26, 2006

**S/ ERIC M. SPECTER**  
Eric M. Specter  
Executive Vice President  
Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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