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)

October 26, 2004

CARTER S, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **001-31829** (Commission File Number) **13-3912933** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

30309

(Zip Code)

The Proscenium 1170 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 900 Atlanta, Georgia (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

(404) 745-2700

(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)

o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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

• 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 October 26, 2004, Carter s, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for its third quarter ended October 2, 2004. A copy of that press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.

(c) Exhibits The following exhibit is furnished as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit Number		Description
99.1	Press Release of Carter	s, Inc. dated October 26, 2004

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CARTER S, INC.

By:

/S/ MICHAEL D. CASEY Name: Michael D. Casey Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: October 26, 2004

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.

Description of Exhibit

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