CHARMING SHOPPES INC Form 8-K January 15, 2008

# 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 15, 2008

#### **CHARMING SHOPPES, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>PENNSYLVANIA</u>	<u>000-07258</u>	<u>23-1721355</u>
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	(IRS Employer
of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)

#### 450 WINKS LANE, BENSALEM, PA

19020

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

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

#### **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:
[ ] 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)
[ ] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 15, 2008, Charming Shoppes, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release in connection with the announcement by Crescendo Partners II, L.P., Series Q, that it intends to nominate three individuals for election to the Company's Board of Directors. A copy of the Company's press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Also on January 15, 2008, the Company delivered a letter to its employees in connection with such shareholder's announcement. A copy of the Company's letter to employees is included as Exhibit 99.2 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements Exhibits.

#### (d) Exhibits

#### Exhibit No. Description

- 99.1 Press Release dated January 15, 2008
- 99.2 Letter to Employees dated January 15, 2008

#### **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 15, 2008 /S/ ERIC M. SPECTER

Eric M. Specter Executive Vice President Chief Financial Officer

### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

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