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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: August 23, 2002

The William Carter Company (Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Massachusetts 333-22155 04-1156680 (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

The Proscenium

1170 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 900

Atlanta, Georgia

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(404) 745-2700 (Registrant's telephone number including area code)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On August 23, 2002, The William Carter Company and its parent company, Carter Holdings, Inc., issued a press release announcing that Carter Holdings had filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission to register the initial public offering by Carter Holdings and certain of its stockholders of up to \$100 million of Carter Holdings' common stock, \$0.01 par value. Carter Holdings intends to contribute a portion of its proceeds from the offering to

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The William Carter Company, in order to redeem a portion of The William Carter Company's outstanding 10.875% Senior Subordinated Notes due in 2011 at a redemption price of 110.875% of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest.

A copy of the press release with respect to this transaction is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

- ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.
 - (c) Exhibits:
 - 99.1 Press Release of the Company, issued on August 23, 2002.

SIGNATURE

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

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROWN

Name: David A. Brown

Title: Executive Vice President

Date: August 23, 2002

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NO. DESCRIPTION

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