

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): December 9, 2008

LAPORTE BANCORP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Federal
(State or Other Jurisdiction)
of Incorporation)

001-33733
(Commission File No.)

26-1231235
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

710 Indiana Avenue, LaPorte, Indiana
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

46350
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (219) 362-7511

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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.

LaPorte Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”) has completed its previously announced program to repurchase up to 60,000 shares of the Company’s common stock. Under this program, the company purchased 60,000 shares at a weighted average cost of \$6.30 per share, including commissions.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired: None
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information: None
- (c) Shell company transactions: None
- (d) Exhibits: None

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.

LAPORTE BANCORP, INC.

DATE: December 9, 2008

By: /s/ Lee A. Brady
Lee A. Brady
President and Chief Executive Officer