

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP

Form 8-K

July 21, 2006

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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): July 19, 2006

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	0-27428 (Commission File No.)	22-3412577 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
975 HOOPER AVENUE, TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY 08753 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)		
(732)240-4500 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)		
Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)		

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ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATION AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On July 20, 2006, OceanFirst Financial Corp. (the Company) announced its financial results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2006. For more information, reference is made to the Company s press release dated July 20, 2006, a copy of which is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is furnished herewith.

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On July 20, 2006, the Company announced that the Company s Board of Directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on the Company s outstanding common stock. The cash dividend will be in the amount of \$0.20 per share and will be payable on August 11, 2006 to the stockholders of record at the close of business on July 28, 2006. For more information, reference is made to the Company s press release dated July 20, 2006, a copy of which is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is furnished herewith.

On July 19, 2006, the Company announced its intention to repurchase in the open market up to 615,883 shares, or 5%, of its outstanding common stock. For further information see the Company s press release dated July 19, 2006 which is incorporated herein by reference and is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.2

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(a) Not applicable.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

(d) The following exhibits are filed herewith:

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated July 20, 2006

Exhibit 99.2 Press Release dated July 19, 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.

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP.

/S/ Michael Fitzpatrick
Michael Fitzpatrick
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: July 21, 2006