

CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC
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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):

May 29, 2013

THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY INCORPORATED

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-20574
(Commission File Number)

51-0340466
(IRS Employer Identification
No.)

26901 Malibu Hills Road

Calabasas Hills, California 91301

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(818) 871-3000

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 5.07 SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

The Cheesecake Factory Incorporated (Company) held its annual meeting of stockholders on May 30, 2013. The final results of the vote taken for each proposal are as follows:

Proposal 1: Election of Directors

| Name | For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|-----------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| David Overton | 42,767,630 | 2,339,641 | 19,857 | 5,050,715 |
| Alexander L. Cappello | 42,660,606 | 2,451,663 | 14,859 | 5,050,715 |
| Jerome I. Kransdorf | 42,573,791 | 2,536,846 | 16,491 | 5,050,715 |
| Laurence B. Mindel | 42,898,842 | 2,213,615 | 14,671 | 5,050,715 |
| David B. Pittaway | 42,759,277 | 2,352,745 | 15,106 | 5,050,715 |
| Douglas L. Schmick | 44,922,441 | 189,348 | 15,339 | 5,050,715 |
| Herbert Simon | 42,899,962 | 2,212,291 | 14,875 | 5,050,715 |

Proposal 2: Approval of an amendment to the 2010 Stock Incentive Plan to increase the number of shares available for issuance by 1,750,000 shares, from 4,800,000 shares to 6,550,000 shares.

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| 37,263,395 | 7,834,024 | 29,709 | 5,050,715 |

Proposal 3: Ratification of Selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for Fiscal Year 2013, ending December 31, 2013.

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| 49,861,338 | 292,169 | 24,336 | - |

Proposal 4: Non-binding, Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation.

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| 42,789,432 | 945,725 | 1,391,971 | 5,050,715 |

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

Stock Repurchase Plan

On May 29, 2013, the Board of Directors (Board) of the Company approved the adoption of a prearranged stock repurchase plan with J.P. Morgan Securities LLC (J.P. Morgan) intended to qualify for the safe harbor under Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (10b5-1 Plan). The 10b5-1 Plan will become effective on July 5, 2013 and terminate on December 31, 2013, unless terminated sooner in accordance with its terms. Purchases may be made in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions in support of the Company s stock repurchase plan. Purchases in the open market will be made in compliance with Rule 10b-18 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Company s current Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, was entered into on November 6, 2012, with an effective date of December 6, 2012, and will expire on July 3, 2013.

Election of Lead Director

Mr. Jerry Kransdorf s term as Lead Director of the Company was scheduled to expire at the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders. On May 29, 2013, the independent directors of the Board of the Company re-elected Mr. Kransdorf as Lead Director of the Company, to serve in that capacity until the 2014 annual meeting of stockholders or his successor has been elected.

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.

Date: May 31, 2013

THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Debby R. Zurzolo
Debby R. Zurzolo
Executive Vice President, General
Counsel and Secretary

