CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC Form 8-K February 21, 2012

# 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):

February 21, 2012

# 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)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(818) 871-3000

# 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): |   |
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| o  | Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)                   |
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| o  | Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))  |
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#### ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

The following information is intended to be furnished under Item 2.02 of Form 8-K, Results of Operations and Financial Condition. This information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date of this report, regardless of any general incorporation language in the filing.

In a press release dated February 21, 2012, The Cheesecake Factory Incorporated (the Company) announced financial results for the Company s fourth quarter of fiscal 2011, which ended on January 3, 2012. The full text of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

#### ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

99.1Press release dated February 21, 2012 entitled, The Cheesecake Factory Reports Results for Fourth Quarter of Fiscal 2011

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#### **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: February 21, 2012 THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY INCORPORATED

By: /s/ W. Douglas Benn

W. Douglas Benn

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

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#### EXHIBIT INDEX

**Exhibit**99.1 Press release dated February 21, 2012 entitled, The Cheesecake Factory Reports Results for Fourth Quarter of Fiscal 2011

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