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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 (Date of earliest event reported): April 1, 2004

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-31566 42-1547151

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer of incorporation) Identification No.)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (201) 333-1000

Not Applicable
-----(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

Provident Financial Services, Inc. (NYSE: PFS), parent company of The Provident Bank, announced that its Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held on June 23, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time at the Hilton Newark Airport, 1170 Spring Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey. The record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting is April 30, 2004. A copy of the press release dated April 1, 2004, is attached as Exhibit 99 to this report.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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- (a) Not Applicable.
- (b) Not Applicable.
- (c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99 Press release dated April 1, 2004

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.

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

DATE: April 2, 2004 By: /s/ Paul M. Pantozzi

Paul M. Pantozzi

Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President