

SPARTAN STORES INC  
Form 8-K  
May 16, 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): May 16, 2012

**SPARTAN STORES, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

000-31127  
(Commission  
File Number)

38-0593940  
(IRS Employer  
Identification no.)

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850 76<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.

P.O. Box 8700

Grand Rapids, Michigan  
(Address of principal executive offices)

49518-8700  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (616) 878-2000

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)).

**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On May 16, 2012, Spartan Stores, Inc. (the Company) issued the press release attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 concerning its financial results for its 13-week fourth fiscal quarter and 53-week fiscal year ended March 31, 2012. The information contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1 referenced herein) is being furnished and is not filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is not incorporated by reference into any registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933.

The press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and, as such, may involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions. These forward-looking statements relate to Spartan Stores' current expectations and are subject to the limitations and qualifications set forth in the press release as well as in Spartan Stores' other documents filed with the SEC, including, without limitation, that actual events and/or results may differ materially from those projected in such forward-looking statements.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On May 16, 2012 the Company issued a press release announcing that the Board of Directors has declared a 23% increase in the Company's quarterly dividend rate on its common stock, from \$0.065 per share to \$.08 per share. The next quarterly dividend is payable on June 15, 2012 to shareholders of record as of June 1, 2012.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. Exhibit 99.2 to this Report is being furnished and is not filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is not incorporated by reference into any registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933.

The Company's adoption of a dividend policy does not commit the board of directors to declare future dividends. Each future dividend will be considered and declared by the board of directors in its discretion. The ability of the board of directors to continue to declare dividends will depend on a number of factors, including the Company's future financial condition and profitability and compliance with the terms of its credit facilities.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) **Exhibits:** The following documents are attached as exhibits to this report on Form 8-K:

99.1 Press Release dated May 16, 2012.

99.2 Press Release dated May 16, 2012.

**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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 16, 2012

SPARTAN STORES, INC.

By /s/ David M. Staples  
David M. Staples  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit Number	Document
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