GAYLORD ENTERTAINMENT CO /DE Form 8-K May 01, 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 1, 2012 (May 1, 2012)

GAYLORD ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

1-13079 (Commission 73-0664379 (I.R.S. Employer

File Number)

Identification No.)

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One Gaylord Drive

Nashville, Tennessee (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (615) 316-6000

37214 (Zip Code)

(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):

- " 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 1, 2012, Gaylord Entertainment Company issued a press release announcing its preliminary results for the quarter ended March 31, 2012. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as <u>Exhibit 99.1</u>.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release of Gaylord Entertainment Company dated May 1, 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 hereunto duly authorized.

GAYLORD ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY

Date: May 1, 2012

By:/s/ Carter R. ToddName:Carter R. ToddTitle:Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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99.1 Press Release of Gaylord Entertainment Company dated May 1, 2012