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December 19, 2017

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): December 19, 2017 (December 14, 2017)

SHOE CARNIVAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana 0-21360 35-1736614 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

7500 East Columbia Street, Evansville, IN 47715 (Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (812) 867-6471

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):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under The Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under The Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 14, 2017, the Board of Directors of Shoe Carnival, Inc. (the "Company") authorized a new share repurchase program for up to \$50 million of its outstanding common stock, effective January 1, 2018. The purchases under the new share repurchase program may be made in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions from time-to-time through December 31, 2018, and in accordance with applicable laws, rules and regulations. Repurchases may also be made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan, which, if adopted by the Company, would permit shares to be repurchased in accordance with pre-determined criteria when the Company might otherwise be prohibited from doing so under insider trading laws or because of self-imposed trading blackout periods. The share repurchase program may be amended, suspended or discontinued at any time and does not commit the Company to repurchase shares of its common stock. The actual number and value of the shares to be purchased will depend on the performance of the Company's stock price and other market conditions.

The new share repurchase program will replace the existing \$50 million share repurchase program that was authorized on December 6, 2016, which will expire in accordance with its terms on December 31, 2017. There is currently \$13.0 million that remains authorized for repurchases under the existing share repurchase program. Additional purchases may be made under the existing share repurchase program prior to its expiration.

In addition, the Company's Board of Directors approved the payment of a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.075 per share to be paid on January 22, 2018, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on January 8, 2018.

A copy of the press release announcing the new share repurchase program and the payment of the quarterly cash dividend is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and the information set forth therein is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits:

Exhibit No. Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of the Company dated December 19, 2017

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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.

SHOE CARNIVAL, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: December 19, 2017 By:/s/ W. Kerry Jackson

W. Kerry Jackson

Senior Executive Vice President,

Chief Operating and Financial Officer and Treasurer

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