PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT INC

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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): October 31, 2006

PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware 001-13641 95-3667491 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

3800 Howard Hughes Parkway

Las Vegas, Nevada 89109 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s Telephone Number, including area code: (702) 784-7777

N/A

(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):

- " 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 (7 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01. Entry into Material Definitive Agreement.

On October 31, 2006, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. (the Company) approved the Form of Restricted Stock Agreement and the Form of Restricted Stock Grant Notice (together, the Agreement) to be used in connection with grants made under the Company s 2005 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan (the 2005 Plan), which was approved by the stockholders at the Company s annual meeting of stockholders on May 3, 2005. The restricted stock grants to certain executives on October 6, 2006 reported on the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 12, 2006 were made on the same terms as the Agreement.

The text of the Agreement is filed herewith as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

Exhibit 10.1 Form of Restricted Stock Agreement and Form of Restricted Stock Grant Notice for 2005 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan of Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC.

(Registrant)

/s/ Stephen H. Capp Stephen H. Capp Date: November 6, 2006 By:

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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