

MICHAELS STORES INC

Form 8-K

March 16, 2005

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**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): **March 15, 2005**

**MICHAELS STORES, INC.**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-09338**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**75-1943604**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**8000 Bent Branch Drive  
Irving, Texas 75063  
P.O. Box 619566  
DFW, Texas 75261-9566**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(972) 409-1300**

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

The information set forth in Item 8.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.02.

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On March 15, 2005, Michaels Stores, Inc. issued a press release announcing that it is making a one-time, non-cash, after-tax adjustment to its results in the fourth fiscal quarter of 2004 to reflect the cumulative impact of a correction of its accounting practices related to leased properties. This correction of accounting practices was made in light of the views of the Office of the Chief Accountant of the Securities and Exchange Commission expressed in a letter of February 7, 2005 to the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants regarding the application of generally accepted accounting principles to operating lease accounting matters. Attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of the Company's related press release, which press release is incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

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

(c) *Exhibits.*

| Exhibit<br>Number | Description  |
|-------------------|--|
| 99.1              | Press release issued by Michaels Stores, Inc., dated March 15, 2005. |

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**SIGNATURE**

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.

MICHAELS STORES, INC.

By: /s/ Jeffrey N. Boyer

Jeffrey N. Boyer  
Executive Vice President  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 16, 2005

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