

RETAIL VENTURES INC

Form 8-K

March 14, 2005

**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) March 14, 2005

Retail Ventures, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Ohio | 1-10767 | 20-0090238 |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
| 3241 Westerville Road, Columbus, Ohio (Address of principal executive offices) | | 43224 (Zip Code) |

(614) 471-4722

(Registrant's telephone number, including area 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):

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

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.

On March 14, 2005, Retail Ventures, Inc. (the Company) announced that DSW Inc., its wholly-owned subsidiary, will pursue an initial public offering. A copy of the press release making this announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits.

| Exhibit Number | Description |
|----------------|------------------------------------|
| 99.1 | Press Release dated March 14, 2005 |

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.

Retail Ventures, Inc.

By: /s/ James A. McGrady

James A. McGrady
Executive Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and
Secretary

Date: March 14, 2005