BARNES & NOBLE INC Form 8-K May 15, 2007 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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 15, 2007 (May 15, 2007)

BARNES & NOBLE, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-12302 (Commission File Number) 06-1196501 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

122 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 10011 (Zip Code)

(212) 633-3300 (Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 15, 2007, Barnes & Noble, Inc. issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors authorized a new share repurchase program of up to \$400 million. Purchases may be made in the open market and in privately negotiated transactions from time to time and in such amounts as management deems appropriate. This new share repurchase program is in addition to the \$200 million share repurchase program announced on September 16, 2005, of which approximately \$27 million remains available.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of Barnes & Noble, Inc., dated May 15, 2007

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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.

BARNES & NOBLE, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Joseph J. Lombardi Joseph J. Lombardi Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 15, 2007

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