

DEPARTMENT 56 INC  
Form 8-K  
October 24, 2002

**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: **October 24, 2002**

Date of Earliest Event Reported: **October 23, 2002**

**DEPARTMENT 56, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation  
or organization)

**1-11908**

(Commission File Number)

**13-3684956**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**One Village Place, 6436 City West Parkway, Eden Prairie, MN 55344**

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(952) 944-5600**

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**Item 5. Other Events.**

A copy of the Company Press Release, dated October 23, 2002, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**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.

DEPARTMENT 56, INC.

/s/ Lisa B. Riedesel  
Lisa B. Riedesel  
Assistant Secretary

Dated: October 24, 2002

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                     |
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| 99.1               | Press Release, dated October 23, 2002. |