GANNETT CO INC /DE/ Form 8-K October 24, 2006

## **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 23, 2006

GANNETT CO., INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation

1-6961 (Commission File Number) 16-0442930 (I.R.S. Employer

or Organization of Registrant)

Identification No.)

7950 Jones Branch Drive, McLean, Virginia (Address of principal executive offices)

22107-0910 (Zip Code)

(703) 854-6000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

 $(Former\ name\ or\ former\ address,\ if\ changed\ since\ last\ report.)$ 

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:

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

### Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On October 24, 2006, the Company announced that its Board has elected John Jeffry Louis to serve as a director of the Company effective October 23, 2006. Mr. Louis has not yet been named to a Board committee.

A press release announcing the election of Mr. Louis is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits 99.1

Press Release Issued October 24, 2006

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to 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.

Gannett Co., Inc.

Date: October 24, 2006 By: /s/ Todd A. Mayman

Todd A. Mayman Vice President,

Associate General Counsel and Secretary

#### INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release announcing the election of Mr. Louis to the Company s Board.