

CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP

Form 8-K

September 08, 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)

September 7, 2006

Centrue Financial Corporation
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)
Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-15025
(Commission File Number)

36-3846489
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

303 Fountains Parkway, Fairview Heights, Illinois
(Address of principal executive offices)

62208
(Zip Code)

(618) 624-1323
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(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 September 7, 2006, Centrue Financial Corporation issued a news release announcing that it hired a team of commercial lenders in conjunction with opening a loan production office in St. Louis, Missouri.

A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 News Release dated September 7, 2006

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.

**CENTRUE FINANCIAL
CORPORATION**

Dated: September 8, 2006

By: /s/ Thomas A. Daiber
Thomas A. Daiber
Chief Executive Officer