#### CHARMING SHOPPES INC Form SC 13G October 23, 2008

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.\_\_)\*

CHARMING SHOPPES, INC.
(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)
161133103
(CUSIP Number)
October 16, 2008
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

/ / Rule 13d-1(b) / X / Rule 13d-1(c) / / Rule 13d-1(d)

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The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of the section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

Quaker Capital Management Corporation

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

25-1495646

2)	CHECK THE A	PROPRIATE BOX IF A MEME	BER OF A GROUP		(a) (b)	]	]
3)	SEC USE ONLY				(b)	[	]
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	5)	SOLE VOTING POWER		3,364,550			
	6)	SHARED VOTING POWER		2,629,490			
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	8)	SHARED DISPOSITIVE PO	OWER	2,629,490			
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Qua	ker Capital I	artners I, L.P.					
		I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION ABOVE PERSON		25-1778076			
2)	CHECK THE A	PROPRIATE BOX IF A MEME	BER OF A GROUP		(a) (b)	]	]

3) SEC USE ONLY

4)	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION			Delaware				
	BER OF SHARES H REPORTING F	B BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY PERSON WITH:			_			
	5)	SOLE VOTING POWER		2,072,900				
	6)	SHARED VOTING POWER		0				
	7)	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER		2,072,900				
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2)	CHECK THE AF	PROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER	R OF A GROUP		(a)	[	]	
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1)	NAME OF REP	ORTING PERSON				
Qua	ker Capital	Partners II, L.P.				
		R I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION ABOVE PERSON	11-3667966			
2)	CHECK THE A	PPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A	GROUP	(a) (b)		
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Qua	ker Premier	II, L.P.					
		OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICAT	ION	30-0135937			
2)	CHECK THE A	PPROPRIATE BOX IF A I	MEMBER OF A GRO	UP			
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1)	NAME OF REP	ORTING PERSON						
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2)	CHECK THE A	PPROPRIATE BOX IF	A MEMBER OF A	GROUP		(a)		]
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	5)	SOLE VOTING PO	√ER		0			

	6)	SHARED VOTING POWER	0
	7)	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	0
	8)	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	0
9)		AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED PORTING PERSON	0
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14)	TYPE OF REE	PORTING PERSON	IN 
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Iter	n 1.		
	(a)	Name of Issuer	
		CHARMING SHOPPES, INC.	
	(b)	Address of Issuer's Principal	Executive Offices
		450 Winks Lane, Bensalem, Penn	sylvania 19020 
Iter	n 2.		
	(a)	Names of Persons Filing	
		Quaker Capital Management Corposition Quaker Capital Partners I, L.P. Quaker Capital Partners II, L.P. Quaker Premier, L.P. Quaker Premier II, L.P. Mark G. Schoeppner	

(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence 601 Technology Drive, Suite 310, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania 15317 \_\_\_\_\_\_ (C) Citizenship Quaker Capital Management Corporation - Pennsylvania Quaker Capital Partners I, L.P. - Delaware partnership Quaker Capital Partners II, L.P.- Delaware partnership Quaker Premier, L.P. - Delaware partnership Quaker Premier II, L.P. - Delaware partnership Mark G. Schoeppner - United States citizen (d) Title of Class of Securities Common Stock CUSIP Number (e) 161133103 \_\_\_\_\_ Page 8 of 16 Pages SCHEDULE 13G CUSIP NO. 161133103 If this statement is filed pursuant to ss.ss.240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d -2 (b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a: / Broker of dealer registered under section 15 of the Act; / Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act; (b) / (c) / / Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act; (d) / / Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940; (e) / X / An investment adviser in accordance with ss.240.13d-1(b)(l)(ii)(E); (f) / / An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with ss.240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F); (g) / / A parent holding company or control person in accordance with ss.240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G); (h) / / A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the

Federal Deposit Insurance Act;

Company Act of 1940;

(i) / / A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an

investment company under section 3(c)(14)of the Investment

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(j) / Group, in accordance with ss.240.13d-1((b)(1)(ii)(J)

### Item 4. Ownership

Quaker Capital Management Corporation:

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 5,994,040

The filing of this report shall not be construed as an admission that Quaker Capital Management Corporation is, for purposes of Section 13(d) or 13(g) of the Act or for any other purposes, the beneficial owner of these securities. Quaker Capital Management

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Corporation disclaims beneficial ownership of all 5,994,040 shares covered by this Schedule 13G.

(b) Percent of Class: 5.27%

(C)

- (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 3,364,550
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 2,629,490
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 3,364,550
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 2,629,490 Quaker Capital Partners I, L.P.:
- a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 2,072,900

The filing of this report shall not be construed as an admission that Quaker Capital Partners I, L.P. is, for purposes of Section 13(d) or 13(g) of the Act or for any other purposes, the beneficial owner of these securities. Quaker Capital Partners I, L.P. disclaims beneficial ownership of 3,921,140 shares covered by this Schedule 13G.

(b) Percent of Class: 1.82%

(C)

- (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 2,072,900
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 0
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 2,072,900
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 0

Quaker Premier, L.P.:

a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 2,072,900

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The filing of this report shall not be construed as an admission that Quaker Premier, L.P. is, for purposes of Section 13(d) or 13(g) of the Act or for any other purposes, the beneficial owner of these securities. Quaker Premier, L.P. disclaims beneficial ownership of 3,921,140 shares covered by this Schedule 13G.

(b) Percent of Class: 1.82%

(c)

- (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 2,072,900
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 0
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 2,072,900
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of:  $\boldsymbol{0}$

Quaker Capital Partners II, L.P.:

a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 1,261,600

The filing of this report shall not be construed as an admission that Quaker Capital Partners II, L.P. is, for purposes of Section 13(d) or 13(g) of the Act or for any other purposes, the beneficial owner of these securities. Quaker Capital Partners II, L.P. disclaims beneficial ownership of 4,732,440 shares covered by this Schedule 13G.

(b) Percent of Class: 1.11%

(C)

- (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 1,261,600
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 0
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 1,261,600
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 0

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Quaker Premier II, L.P.:

a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 1,261,600

The filing of this report shall not be construed as an admission that Quaker Premier II, L.P. is, for purposes of Section 13(d) or 13(g) of the Act or for any other purposes, the beneficial owner of these securities. Quaker Premier II, L.P. disclaims beneficial ownership of 4,732,440 shares covered by this Schedule 13G.

(b) Percent of Class: 1.11%

(C)

- (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 1,261,600
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 0
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 1,261,600
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 0

Mark G. Schoeppner:

a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 0

The filing of this report shall not be construed as an admission that Mark G. Schoeppner is, for purposes of Section 13(d) or 13(g) of the Act or for any other purposes, the beneficial owner of these securities. Mark G. Schoeppner disclaims beneficial ownership of all 5,994,040 shares covered by this Schedule 13G.

(b) Percent of Class: 0.0%

(C)

- (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 0
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 0
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 0
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of: 0

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Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof, the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following:

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Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

2,629,490 of the shares with respect to which this report is filed are owned by a variety of investment advisory clients of Quaker Capital Management Corporation, which clients are entitled to receive dividends on and the proceeds from the sale of such shares. No client is known to own more than 5% of the class.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

#### SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

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October 23, 2008

QUAKER CAPITAL MANAGEMENT CORPORATION

/s/ Mark G. Schoeppner

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Mark G. Schoeppner, President

QUAKER CAPITAL PARTNERS I, L.P.

By: Quaker Premier, L.P., its general partner

By: Quaker Capital Management Corporation, its general partner

By: /s/ Mark G. Schoeppner

Mark G. Schoeppner

President

QUAKER PREMIER, L.P.

By: Quaker Capital Management Corporation, its general partner

By: /s/ Mark G. Schoeppner

Mark G. Schoeppner

President

QUAKER CAPITAL PARTNERS II, L.P.

By: Quaker Premier II, L.P., its general partner

By: Quaker Capital Management Corporation, its general partner

By: /s/ Mark G. Schoeppner

----Mark G. Schoeppner
President

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QUAKER PREMIER II, L.P.

By: Quaker Capital Management Corporation, its general partner

By: /s/ Mark G. Schoeppner

Mark G. Schoeppner

President

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