VILLAGE SUPER MARKET INC

Form 8-K October 07, 2011

# 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 6, 2011

Village Super Market, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey 0 - 263322-1576170 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) incorporation) 733 Mountain Avenue Springfield, New Jersey 07081 (Address of principal executive (Zip Code) offices) (973) 467-2200 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) Soliciting materials pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) ] 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))

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#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 6, 2011, Village Super Market, Inc. issued a press release to announce its results for the fourth quarter of 2011. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, will not be treated as filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. This information will not be incorporated by reference into a filing under the Securities Act of 1933, or into another filing under the Exchange Act, unless that filing expressly refers to specific information in this Form 8-K. The furnishing of the information in this Item 7.01 is not intended to, and does not, constitute a representation that such furnishing is required by Regulation FD or that the information in this Item 7.01 is material information that is not otherwise publicly available.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 October 6, 2011 Press Release

#### **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.

Village Super Market, Inc.

October 6, 2011 By: /s/ Kevin R. Begley

Name: Kevin R. Begley

Title: Chief Financial Officer

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VILLAGE SUPER MARKET, INC. REPORTS RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND YEAR ENDED July 30, 2011

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Springfield, New Jersey – October 6, 2011 – Village Super Market, Inc. (NSD-VLGEA) today reported its results of operations for the fourth quarter and year ended July 30, 2011.

Net income was \$8,764,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 compared to \$8,897,000 in the fourth quarter of the prior year. The prior fiscal year contained 53 weeks, with the additional week included in the fourth quarter. Excluding the \$1,200,000 estimated positive impact of the 53rd week in the fourth quarter one year ago, net income increased 14%, primarily due to strong same store sales.

Sales were \$345,020,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 compared to \$342,741,000 in the fourth quarter of the prior year. Excluding the 53rd week from the prior year, fiscal 2011 fourth quarter sales and same stores sales both increased 7.7%. Same store sales increased due to improved sales in the Washington and Marmora stores, which opened in prior fiscal years, higher sales in six stores due to store closings by competitors during fiscal 2011, a substantial increase in transaction counts, and a modest increase in transaction size due to inflation. Sales continue to be impacted by changing consumer behavior due to economic weakness and high unemployment, which has resulted in increased sale item penetration and trading down. Village expects same store sales in fiscal 2012 to increase from 3.0% to 5.0% with larger increases in the first half of the year. The impacts of the competitive store closings that occurred in fiscal 2011 and inflation are expected to moderate in the second half of fiscal 2012.

Net income in fiscal 2011 was \$20,982,000, a decrease of 17% from the prior year. Net income decreased primarily due to a \$4,200,000 (net of tax) charge for a withdrawal liability from a multi-employer pension plan in fiscal 2011 and the prior year including the \$1,200,000 estimated positive impact of the 53rd week. Excluding these two items, net income increased 4%. Sales in fiscal 2011 were \$1,298,928,000, an increase of 2.9% from the prior year. Excluding the 53rd week from the prior year, fiscal 2011 sales increased 4.7% due to the opening of the Washington, NJ replacement store on February 21, 2010 and a same store sales increase, excluding the 53rd week in the prior year, of 4.0%. Same store sales increased due to improved sales in the Marmora store, higher sales in five stores due to store closings by competitors during fiscal 2011, and a substantial increase in transaction counts.

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On July 7, 2011, Village acquired the store fixtures, leases and pharmacy lists of store locations in Silver Spring, Maryland and Timonium, Maryland for \$6,595,000. Village began operating pharmacies at these locations on July 7, 2011. These stores opened as ShopRites on July 28, 2011 after minor remodeling.

Village Super Market operates a chain of 28 supermarkets under the Shop Rite name in New Jersey, Maryland and eastern Pennsylvania.

All statements, other than statements of historical fact, included in this Press Release are or may be considered forward-looking statements within the meaning of federal securities law. The Company cautions the reader that there is no assurance that actual results or business conditions will not differ materially from future results, whether expressed, suggested or implied by such forward-looking statements. The Company undertakes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect developments or information obtained after the date hereof. The following are among the principal factors that could cause actual results to differ from the forward-looking statements: local economic conditions; competitive pressures from the Company's operating environment; the ability of the Company to maintain and improve its sales and margins; the ability to attract and retain qualified associates; the availability of new store locations; the availability of capital; the liquidity of the Company; the success of operating initiatives; consumer spending patterns; the impact of higher energy prices; increased cost of goods sold, including increased costs from the Company's principal supplier, Wakefern; the results of litigation; the results of tax examinations; the results of union contract negotiations; competitive store openings and closings; the rate of return on pension assets; the success of establishing ShopRite's presence in the Maryland market; and other factors detailed herein and in the Company's filings with the SEC.

# VILLAGE SUPER MARKET, INC. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (In Thousands Except Per Share Amounts)

	Ju	13 Wks. Ended aly 30, 201	1	Ju	14 Wks. Ended aly 31, 2010	0	Jı	52 Wks. Ended aly 30, 201	1	Jı	53 Wks. Ended aly 31, 201	0
Sales	\$	345,020		\$	342,741		\$	1,298,928		\$	1,261,825	í
Cost of sales		250,847			248,953			948,769			918,900	
Gross profit		94,173			93,788			350,159			342,925	
Operating and administrative expense		73,642			73,466			293,222			280,767	
Depreciation and amortization		4,857			4,505			18,621			16,900	
Operating income		15,674			15,817			38,316			45,258	
Interest expense		(1,072	)		(906	)		(4,280	)		(3,660	)
Interest income		613			528			2,207			2,020	
Income before income taxes		15,215			15,439			36,243			43,618	
Income taxes		6,451			6,542			15,261			18,237	
Net income	\$	8,764		\$	8,897		\$	20,982		\$	25,381	
Net income per share:												
Class A common stock:												
Basic	\$	0.77		\$	0.80			1.86			2.28	
Diluted	\$	0.64		\$	0.66		\$	1.54		\$	1.88	
Class B common stock:												
Basic	\$	0.50		\$	0.52		\$	1.21		\$	1.48	
Diluted		0.49			0.51			1.21			1.47	
Gross profit as a % of sales		27.3	%		27.4	%		27.0	%		27.2	%
Operating and administrative expense as a % of sales		21.3	%		21.4	%		22.6	%		22.3	%