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## 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): August 21, 2006

# COOPERATIVE BANKSHARES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

North Carolina (State or other jurisdiction

0-24626 (Commission File Number) 56-1886527 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

of incorporation)

201 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (910) 343-0181

Not Applicable

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

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#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

Beginning August 21, 2006, Cooperative Bankshares, Inc. (the Company) will make available to analysts and prospective investors a slide presentation. The slides summarize a presentation that Frederick Willetts, III, the Company s Chairman and President, will make at the 11th Annual Community Bank Conference hosted by Howe Barnes on August 21, 2006 in Chicago, Illinois. Pursuant to Regulation FD, the presentation materials are attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference. Also attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.2, and incorporated herein by reference, are accompanying presentation handouts that the Company will make available to analysts and prospective investors.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

#### (d) Exhibits

**Number Description** 99.1 Presentation Materials

99.2 Additional Presentation Handouts

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#### **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.

COOPERATIVE BANKSHARES, INC.

/s/ Todd L. Sammons

Todd L. Sammons Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 21, 2006