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October 06, 2005

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 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 3, 2005

Denny's Corporation  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
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0-18051  
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13-3487402  
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(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

(Commission File  
Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

203 East Main Street, Spartanburg, SC  
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29319-0001  
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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (864) 597-8000

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

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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 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On October 3, 2005, Denny's Corporation (the "Company") granted awards of  
restricted stock units ("RSUs") pursuant to the Denny's Corporation 2004 Omnibus

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Incentive Plan, to F. Mark Wolfinger (Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company) and Craig E. Herman (Senior Vice President, Company Operations) in the amounts of 300,000 and 150,000, respectively.

Up to one-third of the RSUs may be earned in each of 2006, 2007, and 2008, based on the Company's total shareholder return compared with a peer group over an October 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006 time frame for 2006 and a July-to-June time frame for 2007 and 2008. All of the RSUs, however, will be earned after five years of continued employment with the Company. Earned RSUs will be paid one-half in cash and one-half in stock, based on a 1-for-1 conversion with the Company's common stock, with 50% of an award being paid one year after the award is earned and the remaining 50% being paid after two years, contingent upon the respective executive officer's continued employment with the Company.

### 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.

Denny's Corporation

Date: October 6, 2005

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Rhonda J. Parish  
Executive Vice President,  
Chief Administrative Officer,  
General Counsel and Secretary