
**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**

August 28, 2008

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported)

Granite City Food & Brewery Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

000-29643
(Commission
File Number)

41-1883639
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**5402 Parkdale Drive, Suite 101
Minneapolis, MN 55416**
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(952) 215-0660
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2):

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ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.

(b) On August 28, 2008, Timothy R. Cary resigned from his position as our Chief Operating Officer – Restaurant Operations.

(c) Effective August 28, 2008, the executive committee of our board of directors elected Darius Gilanfar as our Chief Operating Officer. He will oversee field operations, purchasing and kitchen management. Mr. Gilanfar, age 42, has served as our Senior Vice President – Operations since September 2007. He worked as a consultant with Global Restaurant Systems from October 2006 to September 2007. From April 2005 to September 2006, Mr. Gilanfar served as Chief Operating Officer and President of Copeland’s Famous New Orleans Restaurant Bar and Bistro. Mr. Gilanfar previously served as National Director of Barnes and Noble Inc.’s Starbuck’s Café Division from March 2003 to April 2005. His twenty years of restaurant experience also include having worked for The Cheesecake Factory, Brinker International and Universal Studios City Walk.

There are no familial relationships between Mr. Gilanfar and any other officer or director of our company. Mr. Gilanfar’s wife, Heidi Martin Gilanfar, serves as a human resources/marketing consultant to our company, and we anticipate paying her more than \$120,000 in fiscal year 2008. There are no other transactions in which Mr. Gilanfar has an interest requiring disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K. Each of our company’s executive officers is appointed to serve until his or her successor is duly appointed or his or her earlier removal or resignation from office. Mr. Gilanfar is entitled to participate in performance-based cash bonus or equity award plans for senior executives based upon goals established by the board or compensation committee.

We issued a press release regarding the naming of Mr. Gilanfar as Chief Operating Officer on September 3, 2008, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99 and incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits.

See “Exhibit Index.”

SIGNATURE

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.

Granite City Food & Brewery Ltd.

Date: September 4, 2008

By: /s/ Steven J. Wagenheim
Steven J. Wagenheim
President and Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
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99	Press Release, dated September 3, 2008.
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EXHIBIT 99**Granite City Food & Brewery Ltd. Announces Changes to Management Structure****Darius Gilanfar Promoted to Chief Operating Officer**

MINNEAPOLIS — Granite City Food & Brewery Ltd. (NASDAQ:GCFB) a Modern American upscale casual restaurant today announced the following management changes. Darius Gilanfar has been promoted to the role of Chief Operating Officer and will oversee Field Operations, Purchasing and Kitchen Management. Mr. Gilanfar was hired as the SVP of Operations in September of 2007 and brings with him over 20 years of restaurant experience having worked for The Cheesecake Factory, Brinker International and Barnes & Noble – Starbuck’s Division. Eric LaClair, who has held the position of District Operator and has over 8 years experience with Granite City will assume the role of SVP Operations. Mr. LaClair previously was a member of the Champp’s Americana restaurant group. Jim Gilbertson, Chief Financial Officer since November, 2007, will continue in the role of CFO and oversee IT and Construction. Mr. Gilbertson has held various positions at companies such as ValueVision Media, Navarre Corporation and Intelefilm.

“We are pleased to make these changes in our management structure,” commented Steve Wagenheim, CEO and President. “With the growth of Granite City, we realized that our structure needed to change in order to provide greater depth and meet the demands of a company approaching \$100 million in revenue. These changes allow Darius to continue to focus on the operational side of our business. His strategic initiatives and implementation have begun to revive the margins at the restaurants over the past year and we want to encourage these results in the future. Jim has experience working within much larger organizations and his ability to oversee these additional departments will enable Darius and his team to concentrate on restaurant operations. Over the past several months we have pushed all of our people to take on greater responsibility and these changes are the natural outcome of that initiative.”

Tim Cary, former Chief Operating Officer, tendered his resignation.

Granite City Food & Brewery Ltd. is a Modern American upscale casual restaurant chain that operates 25 restaurants in 11 states. The menu features affordable yet high quality family favorite menu items prepared from made-from-scratch recipes and served in generous portions. The sophisticated yet unpretentious restaurants, proprietary food and beverage products, attractive price points and high service standards combine for a great dining experience. Granite City opened its first restaurant in 1999. Additional information about Granite City Food & Brewery can be found at the company’s website (www.gcfb.net).

Certain statements made in this press release of a non-historical nature constitute “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated. Such factors include, but are not limited to, changes in economic conditions, changes in consumer preferences or discretionary consumer spending, a significant change in the performance of any existing restaurants, the ability to obtain financing for, and complete construction of, additional restaurants at acceptable costs, and the risks and uncertainties described in our Current Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 10, 2008.

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Chief Financial Officer
