

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
April 26, 2010

**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 (Date of earliest event reported): April 23, 2010  
WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Illinois**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**0-21923**  
(Commission File Number)

**36-3873352**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification  
No.)

**727 North Bank Lane  
Lake Forest, Illinois**  
(Address of principal executive  
offices)

**60045**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(847) 615-4096**

**Not Applicable**

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

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)
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  - 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 April 23, 2010, Wintrust Financial Corporation issued a press release announcing that it had acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities and banking operations of Lincoln Park Savings Bank and Wheatland Bank in two separate FDIC-assisted acquisitions. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated April 23, 2010

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**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.

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ David A. Dykstra  
David A. Dykstra  
Senior Executive Vice President and  
Chief Operating Officer

Date: April 23, 2010

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