

DEERE & CO  
Form 8-K  
February 23, 2006

## UNITED STATES

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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### FORM 8-K

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#### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: 22 February 2006  
(Date of earliest event reported)

## DEERE & COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**1-4121**  
(Commission File Number)

**36-2382580**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**One John Deere Place**

**Moline, Illinois 61265**  
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

**(309) 765-8000**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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 material 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))



**Item 5.02**      **Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

Pursuant to Deere & Company's retirement age policy for members of its Board of Directors, Leonard A. Hadley and John R. Block have retired from the Board effective on 22 February 2006.

**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 hereto duly authorized.

DEERE & COMPANY

By: */s/ Marc A. Howze*  
Secretary

Dated: February 23, 2006