

**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): December 28, 2011

MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-9977
(Commission
File Number)

86-0611231
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

17851 N. 85th Street, Suite 300, Scottsdale, Arizona 85255
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (480) 515-8100

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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On December 28, 2012, the Board of Directors of Meritage Homes Corporation elected Michael R. Odell a Class II Director. Mr. Odell was also appointed to serve on the audit, executive compensation and nominating/governance committees of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Odell is the President and Chief Executive Officer of The Pep Boys—Manny, Moe & Jack (NYSE: PBY).

Mr. Odell will be entitled to receive the same retainer and committee payments as the existing members of the Board of Directors. These retainer and committee payments are described in more detail in our 2011 proxy statement.

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.

Dated: January 4, 2012

MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

By: /s/ Larry W. Seay

Larry W. Seay

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer