LAKELAND BANCORP INC Form 8-K March 16, 2011

# 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): March 16, 2011

## LAKELAND BANCORP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

New Jersey (State or Other Jurisdiction

000-17820 (Commission 22-2953275 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

250 Oak Ridge Road, Oak Ridge, New Jersey
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (973) 697-2000

07438 (Zip Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is into	ended to simultaneously	y satisfy the filing obligati	ion of the registrant un	der any of
the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below)	:			

- " 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 8.01 Other Events.

Lakeland Bancorp, Inc. (the Company ) announced that today it redeemed an additional \$20 million of the Company s outstanding \$39 million in Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A ( Preferred Stock ) that was issued to the U.S. Department of the Treasury under the Capital Purchase Program on February 6, 2009. The Company paid approximately \$20.1 million to the Treasury to repurchase the Preferred Stock, which included payment for accrued and unpaid dividends for the shares. At the conclusion of this redemption, the outstanding balance of Treasury s Preferred Stock investment has been reduced to \$19 million.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated March 16, 2011.

#### **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.

## LAKELAND BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ Thomas J. Shara Name: Thomas J. Shara

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: March 16, 2011

#### **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated March 16, 2011.