

CHECKERS DRIVE IN RESTAURANTS INC /DE

Form 8-K

April 19, 2004

FORM 8-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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 15, 2004

CHECKERS DRIVE-IN RESTAURANTS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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| DELAWARE                           | 0-19649                     | 58-1654960                           |
| (State or other<br>jurisdiction of | (Commission<br>File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

4300 WEST CYPRESS STREET, SUITE 600, TAMPA FLORIDA 33607  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code  
(813) 283-7000

Former name or former address (if changed since last report)  
NOT APPLICABLE

Item 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

On April 15, 2004, the Registrant issued  
a news release entitled "CHECKERS DRIVE-  
IN RESTAURANTS, INC. TO ANNOUNCE  
2004 FISCAL FIRST QUARTER EARNINGS",  
a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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.

CHECKERS DRIVE-IN RESTAURANTS, INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Keith E. Sirois  
Title: Director, CEO and President  
Dated: April 15, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release, dated April 15, 2004

Exhibit 99.1

CHECKERS DRIVE-IN RESTAURANTS, INC.

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CHECKERS DRIVE-  
IN RESTAURANTS, INC. TO ANNOUNCE  
2004 FISCAL FIRST QUARTER EARNINGS

TAMPA, FL - April 15, 2004 - CHECKERS  
DRIVE-IN RESTAURANTS, INC. (CHKR: NASDAQ)  
today announced that Chief Executive Officer  
and President, Keith E. Sirois, and Chief  
Financial Officer, S. Patric Plumley, will  
conduct a conference call on Thursday,  
April 22, 2004 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern time  
to discuss the Company's financial results  
for the fiscal first quarter ended March  
22, 2004. The Company is scheduled to  
release its earnings on Thursday, April  
22, 2004 at the market close.

The webcast will be distributed over CCBN's  
Investor Distribution Network. Individual  
investors can listen to the call at  
[www.fulldisclosure.com](http://www.fulldisclosure.com) and institutional  
investors can access the call via CCBN's  
password-protected event management site  
at [www.streetevents.com](http://www.streetevents.com).

The discussion can also be listened to live,  
toll free by dialing 1-800-915-4836, or for  
international callers 1-973-317-5319. It  
can also be accessed at [www.checkers.com](http://www.checkers.com).  
A conference call replay will be available  
from 7:00 p.m. Eastern time on April 22,  
2004 until 11:59 p.m. Eastern time on May  
6, 2004 by dialing 1-800-428-6051, or for  
international callers 1-973-709-2089. The  
replay passcode is 351229.

About Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc.  
Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc.  
franchises and operates Checkers restaurants  
and Rally's restaurants. It is the largest  
chain of double drive-thru restaurants in  
the United States.

Except for historical information, this  
announcement contains "forward-looking" and

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"Safe Harbor" statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.