

CHECKERS DRIVE IN RESTAURANTS INC /DE

Form 8-K

July 29, 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)  
July 26, 2004

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

|                 |              |                     |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------------|
| DELAWARE        | 0-19649      | 58-1654960          |
| (State or other | (Commission  | (IRS Employer       |
| jurisdiction of | File Number) | 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 July 26, 2004, the Registrant issued  
a news release entitled "CHECKERS DRIVE-IN  
RESTAURANTS, INC. - Appoints Gary Lieberthal  
to Board of Directors -", 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: July 26, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Exhibit Number    Description

99.1                      Press Release, dated July 26, 2004

Exhibit 99.1

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CHECKERS DRIVE-IN RESTAURANTS, INC.

- Appoints Gary Lieberthal  
to Board of Directors -

TAMPA, FL., July 26, 2004 -- Checkers  
Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. (NASDAQ: CHKR)  
announced today that Gary Lieberthal has  
been elected to its Board of Directors.  
Mr. Lieberthal brings over 30 years of  
management experience in the media industry.

"Gary has impressive experience as a leader  
and innovator in the entertainment industry  
and will add an additional independent  
perspective to our Board of Directors," said  
Terry Christensen, Chairman of Checkers Drive-  
In Restaurants, Inc.'s Nominating Committee.  
"Together, we will work to build shareholder  
value and pursue growth through expanded  
market opportunities."

Though currently retired, Mr. Lieberthal  
served as Chairman and Chief Executive  
Officer of Columbia Pictures Television  
from 1986 through 1992. Previously, Mr.  
Lieberthal was Vice President, Syndication  
for T.A.T. Communications Company, where he  
was responsible for creating the first major  
in-house syndication division at an independent  
production company.

About Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc.

Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. is  
headquartered in Tampa, Florida. For more  
information about the Company, please  
visit [www.checkers.com](http://www.checkers.com).