

CHECKERS DRIVE IN RESTAURANTS INC /DE

Form 8-K

August 31, 2004

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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)
August 27, 2004

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

DELAWARE	0-19649	58-1654960
(State or Other	(Commission	(IRS Employer
Jurisdiction of	File Number)	Identification No.)
Incorporation)		

4300 WEST CYPRESS STREET, SUITE 600, TAMPA FLORIDA 33607
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(813_ 283-7000
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

NOT APPLICABLE
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing
obligation of the registrant under 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)

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under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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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 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

On August 27, 2004, the Registrant issued
a news release entitled "Checkers(R) Feeds
20,000 in Hurricane Relief Effort
Double drive-thru chain partners with
American Red Cross in southeast Florida", a
copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

SIGNATURES

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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: August 27, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release, dated August 27, 2004

Exhibit 99.1

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Checkers(R) Feeds 20,000 in Hurricane Relief Effort
Double drive-thru chain partners with
American Red Cross in southeast Florida

TAMPA, FL - August 27, 2004 - Today,
Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. (NASDAQ:
CHKR), donated 20,000 buns, burgers and all
the condiments to the American Red Cross'
Hurricane Charley relief effort to help feed
residents of Port Charlotte and Punta Gorda,
Florida, who were impacted by the recent storm.

"We're a Tampa-based company with nearly 200
Checkers(R) locations throughout Florida, and
we're committed to the communities and people
that we serve," said Keith E. Sirois, President
and CEO of Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc.
"I commend the men and women of the Red Cross
who are making it possible to distribute our
food to those in need, and we hope this contribution
makes a difference in the recovery efforts."

The burgers were distributed today at Henry's
Kitchen, a Red Cross mobile kitchen located at
2400 Rampart Boulevard in the King's Gate Adult
Resort in Port Charlotte; at the Red Cross Sprit
of America kitchen located at Sacred Heart

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Catholic Church on 521 Cross Street in Punta Gorda; and at select mobile emergency response vehicles throughout the areas.

"Donations such as this by Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. enable us to keep costs down as we bring disaster relief to those recovering from the damage caused by Hurricane Charley," said Wayne Brennessel, director of the Hurricane Charley relief effort at the American Red Cross. "We greatly appreciate all of the donations made by corporate and individual donors."

About the American Red Cross

You can help the victims of Hurricane Charley and thousands of other disasters across the country each year by making a financial gift to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund, which enables the Red Cross to provide shelter, food, counseling and other assistance to those in need.

Led by 1.2 million volunteers and 36,000 employees, the Red Cross annually mobilizes relief to families affected by more than 67,000 disasters, trains nearly 12 million people in lifesaving skills and exchanges more than a million emergency messages for U.S. military service personnel and their families.

About Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc.

Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. (www.checkers.com) is the largest double drive-thru restaurant chain in the United States. The Company develops, produces, owns, operates and franchises quick service "double drive-thru" restaurants.

Except for historical information, this announcement contains "forward-looking" and "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. These forward-looking and Safe Harbor statements reflect management's expectations based upon currently available information and data; however, actual results are subject to future events and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to materially differ from those projected in these statements. Further information regarding factors that could affect the company's financial and other results is included in the company's Forms 10Q and 10K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.