CHECKERS DRIVE IN RESTAURANTS INC /DE Form 8-K September 14, 2005

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): September 13, 2005

Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 0-19649

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

4300 West Cypress Street Suite 600 Tampa, FL (Address of principal executive offices)

58-1654960 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 33607 (Zip code)

(813) 283-7000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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:

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Item 8.01. Other Events

On September 13, 2005 the Registrant issued a news release entitled **Checker%/Rally ® Responds to Hurricane Katrina Disaster -** *Double Drive-Thru Chain Creates Two-Pronged Campaign to Provide Relief*, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed with this Form 8-K:

| (c) Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press Release, dated September 13, 2005 |

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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.

Date: September 14, 2005

Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Keith E. Sirois

Chief Executive Officer and President