SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported) February 23, 2004

TRIAD HOSPITALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation)	000-29816	75-2816101
(State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
5800 Tennyson Parkway		
Plano, Texas		75024
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
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	(214) 473-7000	
(Registr	rant s telephone number, including area code)	

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Item 7.	Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(c)]	Exhibit.
99.1 Pres	s Release issued by Triad Hospitals, Inc. on February 23, 2004.
Item 12.	Results of Operations and Financial Condition.
ended Dece	On February 23, 2004, Triad Hospitals, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three months and year mber 31, 2003. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as an exhibit and incorporated herein by reference.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Triad Hospitals, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

TRIAD HOSPITALS, INC.

By: /s/ Donald P. Fay

Donald P. Fay Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

Date: February 24, 2004

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