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) October 27, 2003

TRIAD HOSPITALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation)

000-29816 (Commission File Number) 75-2816101 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

5800 Tennyson Parkway

75024

Plano, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(214) 473-7000

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 $(Registrant \ \ s \ telephone \ number, including \ area \ code)$

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Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibit.
 - 99.1 Press Release issued by Triad Hospitals, Inc. on October 27, 2003.

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 27, 2003, Triad Hospitals, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three months ended September 30, 2003. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith and incorporated herein by reference.

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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: October 27, 2003

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