CHECKERS DRIVE IN RESTAURANTS INC /DE

Form SC 13G December 11, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

INFORMATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1 AND 13d-2 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

CHECKERS DRIVE-IN RESTAURANTS, INC. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value (Title of Class of Securities)

162809305 (CUSIP Number)

December 8, 2003 (Date of event which requires filing this statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- [] Rule 13d-1 (b)
- [X] Rule 13d-1 (c)
- [] Rule 13d-1 (d)

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The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to the "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)

GDK, Inc.

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CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a) n/a

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(b) n/a
        3
SEC USE ONLY
       4
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
British Virgin Islands
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
SOLE VOTING POWER
       6
SHARED VOTING POWER
112,032
      7
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
112,032
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
112,032
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
       11
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
0.9%
       12
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!
SCHEDULE 13G
NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)
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Caxton International Limited
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*
       (a) n/a
       (b) n/a
       3
SEC USE ONLY
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
British Virgin Islands
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
SOLE VOTING POWER
        6
SHARED VOTING POWER
303,857
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
       8
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
303,857
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
303,857
       10
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
       11
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
2.5%
       12
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
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NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)
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Caxton Equity Growth LLC 22-3682580
       2.
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*
       (a) n/a
       (b) n/a
       3
SEC USE ONLY
        4
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
Delaware
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
SOLE VOTING POWER
       6
SHARED VOTING POWER
53,358
       7
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
53,358
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
53,358
       10
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
       11
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
0.4%
       12
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!
NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)
Caxton Equity Growth (BVI) Ltd.
        2
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CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*
       (a) n/a
       (b) n/a
        3
SEC USE ONLY
       4
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
British Virgin Islands
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
SOLE VOTING POWER
       6
SHARED VOTING POWER
151,365
       7
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
0
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
151,365
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
151,365
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
       11
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
1.3%
       12
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!
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NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON.
Caxton Associates, L.L.C. 22-3430173
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CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*
       (a) n/a
       (b) n/a
        3
SEC USE ONLY
       4
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
Delaware
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
SOLE VOTING POWER
0
       6
SHARED VOTING POWER
620,612
      7
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
       8
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
620,612
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
620,612
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
       11
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
5.1%
       12
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!
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NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON.
Bruce S. Kovner
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*
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(a) n/a
       (b) n/a
SEC USE ONLY
       4
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
United States
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
SOLE VOTING POWER
0
        6
SHARED VOTING POWER
620,612
       7
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
       8
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
620,612
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
620,612
       10
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES* o
       11
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
5.1%
       12
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!
Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:
               Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc.
            Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:
Item 1 (b).
               4300 West Cypress Street
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Suite 600

Tampa, FL 33607

- Item 2 (a). Name of Person Filing:
- (i) GDK, Inc. ("GDK")
- (ii) Caxton International Limited ("Caxton International")
- (iii) Caxton Equity Growth LLC ("Caxton Equity Growth")
- (iv) Caxton Equity Growth (BVI) Ltd. ("Caxton Equity Growth (BVI)")
- (v) Caxton Associates, L.L.C. ("Caxton Associates"). Caxton Associates is the trading advisor to GDK, Caxton International and Caxton Equity Growth (BVI), and the manager of Caxton Equity Growth (together with GDK, Caxton International, Caxton Equity Growth and Caxton Equity Growth (BVI) the "Caxton Accounts") and as such, has voting and dispositive power with respect to the investments of the Caxton Accounts.
- (vi) Mr. Bruce S. Kovner. Mr. Kovner is the Chairman of Caxton Associates and the sole shareholder of Caxton Corporation, the manager and majority owner of Caxton Associates. As a result of the foregoing, Mr. Kovner may be deemed beneficially to own the securities of the Issuer owned by the Caxton Accounts.
- (i) The address of GDK is c/o Prime Management Limited, Mechanics Building, 12 Church Street, Hamilton HM11, Bermuda.
- (ii) The address of Caxton International is c/o Prime Management Limited, Mechanics Building, 12 Church Street, Hamilton HM11, Bermuda
- (iii) The address of Caxton Equity Growth is c/o Caxton Associates, Princeton Plaza, Building 2, 731 Alexander Road, Princeton, NJ 08540.
- (iv) The address of Caxton Equity Growth (BVI) is c/o Prime Management Limited, Mechanics Building, 12 Church Street, Hamilton HM11, Bermuda.
- (v) The address of Caxton Associates is Princeton Plaza, Building 2, 731 Alexander Road, Princeton, NJ 08540.
- (vi) The business address of Mr. Kovner is 667 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10021.

Item 2 (c). Citizenship:

- (i) GDK is a British Virgin Islands corporation.
- (ii) Caxton International is a British Virgin Islands Corporation.
- (iii) Caxton Equity Growth is a Delaware limited liability company.
- (iv) Caxton Equity Growth (BVI) is a British Virgin Islands Corporation.
- (v) Caxton Associates is a Delaware limited liability company.
- (vi) Mr. Kovner is a United States citizen.
- Item 2 (e). CUSIP No: 162809305
- Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Sec.

240.13d-1 (b) or 240.13d-2 (b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a: Not applicable.

Item 4. Ownership

- (a) Amount beneficially owned:
- (i) The amount of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by GDK is 112,032.
- (ii) The amount of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Caxton International is 303,857.
- (iii) The amount of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Caxton Equity Growth is 53,358.
- (iv) The amount of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Caxton Equity Growth (BVI) is 151,365.
- (v) The amount of shares of Common Stock considered to be beneficially owned by Caxton Associates by reason of its voting and dispositive powers is 620,612.
- (vi) Mr. Kovner, by reason of being Chairman of Caxton Associates and the sole shareholder of Caxton Corporation, the manager and majority owner of Caxton Associates, may also be deemed to beneficially own such shares.
- (b) Percent of Class:
- (i) GDK beneficially owns 0.9% of the Class of Common Stock.
- (ii) Caxton International beneficially owns 2.5% of the Class of Common Stock.
- (iii) Caxton Equity Growth beneficially 0.4% owns of the Class of Common Stock.
- (iv) Caxton Equity Growth (BVI) beneficially owns 1.3% of the Class of Common Stock.
- (v) Caxton Associates is deemed to beneficially own 5.1% of the class of Common Stock.
- (vi) Mr. Kovner is deemed to beneficially own 5.1% of the Class of Common Stock.

(C)

Number of shares as to which GDK has:

- (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 112,032
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition: 0
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition
 of: 112,032

Number of shares as to which Caxton International has:

- (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 303,857
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition: 0
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition
 of: 303,857

Number of shares as to which Caxton Equity Growth has:

- (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 53,358
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition: 0
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition

of: 53,358

Number of shares as to which Caxton Equity Growth (BVI) has:

- (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 151,365
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition: 0
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition
 of: 151,365

Number of shares as to which Caxton Associates has:

- (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 620,612
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 620,612

Number of shares as to which Mr. Kovner has:

- (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 620,612
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition
 of: 620,612
- Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent of Less of a Class.
 Not Applicable.
- Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of
 Another Person.
 Not Applicable.
- Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Reported on the Parent Holding Company.

 Not Applicable.
- Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not Applicable

Item 10. Certification.

By signing below, each of the reporting persons hereby certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not being held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete,

and correct. December 11, 2003 GDK, INC. By:/s/Joseph Kelly Name: Joseph Kelly Title: Vice President and Treasurer By:/s/Maxwell Quin Name: Maxwell Quin Title: Vice President and Secretary CAXTON INTERNATIONAL LIMITED By:/s/Joseph Kelly Name: Joseph Kelly Title: Vice President and Treasurer By:/s/Maxwell Quin Name: Maxwell Quin Title: Vice President and Secretary CAXTON EQUITY GROWTH (BVI) Ltd. By:/s/Joseph Kelly Name: Joseph Kelly Title: Vice President By:/s/Maxwell Quin Name: Maxwell Quin Title: Secretary CAXTON EQUITY GROWTH LLC By:/s/Scott B. Bernstein Name: Scott B. Bernstein Title: Secretary, Caxton Associates, L.L.C., Manager CAXTON ASSOCIATES, L.L.C. By:/s/Scott B. Bernstein Name: Scott B. Bernstein Title: Secretary /s/Bruce S. Kovner

Bruce S. Kovner, by Scott B. Bernstein as

Attorney-in-Fact

Certification

The undersigned hereby certifies that the shares of Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. purchased on behalf of GDK, Inc., Caxton International Limited, Caxton Equity Growth (BVI) Ltd. and Caxton Equity Growth LLC were not acquired and are not being held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

/s/Andy Waldman Andy Waldman

/s/Kurt Feuerman Kurt Feuerman

Date: December 11, 2003

JOINT ACQUISITION STATEMENT

PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(k)(1)

The undersigned acknowledge and agree that the foregoing statement on Schedule 13G is filed on behalf of each of the undersigned and that all subsequent amendments to this statement on Schedule 13G shall be filed on behalf of each of the undersigned without the necessity of filing additional joint acquisition statements. The undersigned acknowledge that each shall be responsible for the timely filing of such amendments, and for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning him or it contained therein, but shall not be responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning the other, except to the extent that he or it knows or has reason to believe that such information is inaccurate.

Dated: December 11, 2003

 ${\tt GDK,\ INC.}$

By:/s/Joseph Kelly
Name: Joseph Kelly

Title: Vice President & Treasurer

By:/s/Maxwell Quin Name: Maxwell Quin

Title: Vice President & Secretary

CAXTON INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

By:/s/Joseph Kelly Name: Joseph Kelly

Title: Vice President & Treasurer

By:/s/Maxwell Quin
Name: Maxwell Quin

Title: Vice President & Secretary

CAXTON EQUITY GROWTH (BVI) Ltd.

By:/s/Joseph Kelly Name: Joseph Kelly Title: Vice President

By:/s/Maxwell Quin Name: Maxwell Quin Title: Secretary

CAXTON EQUITY GROWTH LLC

By:/s/Scott B. Bernstein Name: Scott B. Bernstein Title: Secretary, Caxton Associates, L.L.C., Manager

CAXTON ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.

By:/s/Scott B Bernstein Name: Scott B. Bernstein

Title: Secretary

/s/Bruce S. Kovner Bruce S. Kovner, by Scott B. Bernstein as Attorney-in-Fact