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April 23, 2004

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) April 22, 2004

Commission File Number: 000-17962

Applebee's International, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

43-1461763

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4551 W. 107th Street, Suite 100, Overland Park, Kansas 66207

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(913) 967-4000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

None

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On April 22, 2004, Applebee's International, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release entitled "Applebee's International to Broadcast First Quarter 2004

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Earnings Conference Call Over the Internet." The press release is included below.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Applebee's International to Broadcast First Quarter 2004
Earnings Conference Call Over the Internet

Overland Park, Kan., April 22, 2004 -- Applebee's International, Inc. (Nasdaq:APPB) will be releasing first quarter 2004 earnings after the market closes on Wednesday, April 28, 2004, and will be hosting a conference call to review the results on Thursday morning, April 29, 2004, at 10:00 a.m. Central Daylight Time (11:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time). The conference call will be broadcast live over the Internet.

To listen to the conference call, please go to the Investor Relations section of the company's website (www.applebees.com) at least 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the call to register, download, and install any necessary audio software. A replay will be available shortly after the call.

Applebee's International, Inc., headquartered in Overland Park, Kan., develops, franchises and operates restaurants under the Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar brand, the largest casual dining concept in the world. There are currently 1,602 Applebee's restaurants operating system-wide in 49 states and nine international countries. Additional information on Applebee's International can be found at the company's website (www.applebees.com).

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SIGNATURES

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, thereunto duly authorized.

APPLEBEE'S INTERNATIONAL, INC.
(Registrant)

Date: April 22, 2004

By:/s/ Steven K. Lumpkin

Steven K. Lumpkin
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

