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

Date of Report: November 15, 2004

(Date of Earliest Event Reported)

AMERICAN REALTY INVESTORS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Nevada (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-15663 (Commission File No.) 75-2847135 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1800 Valley View Lane, Suite 300

Dallas, Texas 75234

(Address of principal executive offices)

469-522-4200

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(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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 15, 2004, American Realty Investors, Inc. (ARL or the Company) announced its operational results for the third quarter and first nine months of 2004. A copy of the announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

The information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 in this Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto, shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, unless we specifically incorporate it by reference in a document filed under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. We undertake no duty or obligation to publicly-update or revise the information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished with this Report:

Exhibit Designation		Description of Exhibit
99.1*	Press Release dated November 15, 2004.	

^{*}Furnished herewith.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly-caused this Current Report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly-authorized.

Dated: November 18, 2004. AMERICAN REALTY INVESTORS, INC.

By: /s/ J.C. Lowenberg III

J.C. Lowenberg, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Acting Principal Executive Officer

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