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BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC  
Form 8-K  
November 13, 2003

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549  
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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) November 11, 2003  
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BEVERLY ENTERPRISES, INC.

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware	1-9550	62-1691861
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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Thousand Beverly Way	72919
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Fort Smith, Arkansas (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code (479) 201-2000

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE  
ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On November 11, 2003, Beverly Enterprises, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release regarding financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. The Company also announced that its Board of Directors has authorized the Company to purchase up to \$20 million of its outstanding shares of common stock. The authorization will be effective December 1, 2003 and remain in effect for one year. The full text of the press release is set forth in Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto.

Information contained in this report (including the exhibit hereto) shall not be deemed filed under the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and regulations and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing

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under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Exhibit 99.1\* - Press Release of Beverly Enterprises, Inc. dated November 11, 2003

\*Filed with this document

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SIGNATURE

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 hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: November 12, 2003

BEVERLY ENTERPRISES, INC.

By: /s/ PAMELA H. DANIELS  
Pamela H. Daniels  
Senior Vice President, Controller and  
Chief Accounting Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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