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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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 earlies	st event reported): Mar	ch 3, 2005 (March 3, 2005)	
	AMERIC	AN RETIREMENT CORPORATION	NC	
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)				
	Tennessee	01-13031	62-1674303	
	(State or Other of Jurisdiction Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)	
111 Westwood Place, Suite 200 Brentwood, Tennessee		37027		
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)		ive Offices)	(Zip Code)	
		(615) 221-2250		
	(Registrant's Tele	ephone Number, Includin	g Area Code)	
		Not Applicable		
	(Former Name or Forme:	r Address, if Changed S	ince Last Report)	
simul	Check the appropriate boot taneously satisfy the fil- wing provisions (see Genera	ing obligation of the re	egistrant under any of the	
1_1	Written communications process (17 CFR 230.425)	pursuant to Rule 425 un	der the Securities Act	
1_1	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)			
_	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))			
_	Pre-commencement commun. Exchange Act (17 CFR 24)	_	le 13e-4(c) under the	

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On March 3, 2005, American Retirement Corporation issued a press release announcing its fourth quarter and full year 2004 earnings results. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

Supplemental information relating to American Retirement Corporation's fourth quarter and full year 2004 results is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.2.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On March 3, 2005, American Retirement Corporation issued a press release announcing its fourth quarter and full year 2004 earnings results. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

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Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated March 3, 2005

99.2 Supplemental Information

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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, hereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN RETIREMENT CORPORATION

By:/s/ Bryan D. Richardson

Bryan D. Richardson Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Financial Office

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