

NIERENBERG INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT CO  
Form SC 13D/A  
December 09, 2005

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13 D  
Under the Securities Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 12)

Mexican Restaurants, Inc.  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock  
(Title of Class of Securities)

14712P104  
(CUSIP Number)

David Nierenberg

The D3 Family Funds

19605 NE 8th Street

Camas, WA 98607

360-604-8600

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person  
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

November 28, 2005  
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D and is filing this schedule because of ss.ss.240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box:

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSON

The D3 Family Fund, L.P. (David Nierenberg is president of the General Partner, which is Nierenberg Investment Management Company.)

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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)   
(b)

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3 SEC USE ONLY

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4 SOURCE OF FUNDS\*

WC

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PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
USA

	7	SOLE VOTING POWER	
			545,306 common shares (15.8%)
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	8	SHARED VOTING POWER	
			0
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
			545,306
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	
			0

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
1,192,956 shares (34.5%)

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)  
34.5%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
PN

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The D3 Family Retirement Fund, L.P. (David Nierenberg is president of the  
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USA

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

222,770 common shares (6.5%)

NUMBER OF  
SHARES

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY

0

EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

222,770

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

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USA

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

48,224 common shares (1.4%)

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

0

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

48,224

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
USA

7 SOLE VOTING POWER  
269,991 common shares (7.8%)

8 SHARED VOTING POWER  
0

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
269,991

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0

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1,192,956 shares (34.5%)

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The D3 Family Bulldog Fund, L.P. ((David Nierenberg is president of the General Partner, which is Nierenberg Investment Management Company.))

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USA

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

106,665 common shares (3.1%)

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

0

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

106,665

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

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1,192,956 shares (34.5%)

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## Item 1. Security and Issuer.

Common stock in MEXICAN RESTAURANTS, INC. (CASA), 1135 Edgebrook, Houston, TX 77034-1899.

## Item 2. Identity and Background.

The D3 Family Funds are Washington State limited partnerships, whose principal business is investing in the equities of public micro-cap issuers. The D3 Family Funds consist of: D3 Family Fund, L.P, D3 Family Retirement Fund, L.P, D3 Children's Fund, L.P, D3 Offshore Fund, L.P., D3 Family Bulldog Fund, L.P. Located at 19605 N.E. 8th St., Camas, Washington 98607. No convictions or administrative proceedings as described in 2 (d) and (e).

## Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Source of funds is money invested in the partnership by its partners.

## Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

We commend the staff and the management of Mexican Restaurants Inc. on their magnificent response to the devastation caused by Hurricane Rita in the Beaumont, TX area. We particularly want to thank and congratulate Larry Forehand for leading by excellent example: any company which treats its employees right can be confident that they in turn will do right by their customers. We could not be more proud of how this company has responded to the communities it serves in their time of need. Thanks and congratulations!

## Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a,b) The D3 Family Funds own and have sole voting and dispositive power over 1,192,956, 34.5% common shares of CASA.

(c)

Fund	Transaction Date	Shares Bought	Price
D3 Offshore Fund, L.P.	11/28/2005	49,000	10.01
D3 Offshore Fund, L.P.	11/30/2005	1,881	10.04
D3 Offshore Fund, L.P.	12/1/2005	3,000	10.00
D3 Offshore Fund, L.P.	12/2/2005	13,400	10.00
D3 Family Bulldog Fund, L.P.	11/23/2005	4,504	10.03
D3 Family Bulldog Fund, L.P.	11/28/2005	40,161	10.01
D3 Family Bulldog Fund, L.P.	12/2/2005	8,000	10.00

(d) N/A

(e) N/A

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## Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to

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Securities of the Issuer.

N/A

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits

N/A

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in the Statement is true, complete and correct.

December 9, 2005

/s/ DAVID NIERENBERG

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David Nierenberg  
President  
Nierenberg Investment Management  
Company, Inc., the General Partner of  
The D3 Family Funds