

GREENBRIER COMPANIES INC

Form 8-K

February 01, 2005

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**Form 8-K**

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**Current Report**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) January 31, 2005

**THE GREENBRIER COMPANIES, INC.**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File No. 1-13146

Delaware  
(State of Incorporation)

93-0816972  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Centerpointe Drive, Suite 200, Lake Oswego, OR 97035  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(503) 684-7000  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Former name or former address, if changed since last report: N/A

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On January 31, 2005, The Greenbrier Companies, Inc. issued a press release reporting the death of Mr. Alan James co-founder, former chairman and director of the Company. A copy of such release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits:

99.1 Press Release dated January 31, 2005 of The Greenbrier Companies, Inc.

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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.

**THE GREENBRIER COMPANIES, INC.**

Date: January 31, 2005

By: /s/ Larry G. Brady

Larry G. Brady  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)