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# FORM 4

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Person\* (Last, First, Middle) 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary) Paumgarten, Nicholas, B.

The E. W. Scripps Company (SSP)

312 Walnut Street, 28th Floor

#### 4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2003

(Street) 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s)

to Issuer (Check All Applicable) 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing

(Check Applicable Line) Cincinnati, OH 45202

(City) (State) (Zip) X Director O 10% Owner X Form filed by One Reporting Person O Officer (give title below) O

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person O Other (specify below)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see instruction 4(b)(v).

#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

#### 1. Title of Security

(Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date

(Month/Day/Year) 2a. Deemed Execution

Date, if any.

(Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Code

(Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A)

or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities

**Beneficially Owned Following Reported** 

Transactions(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) 6. Ownership

Form:

Direct (D) or

Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4) 7. Nature of

Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

#### Code V Amount (A)

or

#### (D) Price

Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	400 D
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	850 I By wife
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	2,000 I As trustee for sons
Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share	None

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

#### 1. Title of Derivative

Security

(Instr. 3) 2. Conversion or Exercise

**Price of Derivative** 

Security 3. Transaction

Date

(Month/Day/Year) 3a. Deemed Execution

Date, if any

(Month/Day/Year) 4. Transaction

Code

(Instr. 8) 5. Number of Derivative Securities

Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Cod	de V (A) (D)	
Option \$18.67	12/9/94 A V 1	
Option \$38.38	5/12/97 A V 1	
Option \$48.50	5/13/99 A V 1	
Option \$48.94	5/18/00 A V 1	
Option \$64.32	5/10/01 A V 1	
Option \$78.01	5/9/02 A V 1	
Phantom Stock \$	Phantom Stock \$75.74 3/31/03 J V 1	

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned - Continued (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

6. Date Exercisable and
<b>Expiration Date</b>

(Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amount

of Underlying Securities

(Instr. 3 and 4) 8. Price of Derivative

Security

 $(Instr.\ 5)$  9. Number of Derivative

Securities Beneficially Owned

 $Following\ Reported\ Transaction(s)$ 

(Instr. 4) 10. Ownership Form of

**Derivative Security:** 

 $Direct \ (D) \ or \ Indirect \ (I)$ 

(Instr. 4) 11. Nature of

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Date

**Exercisable Expiration** 

Date Title Amount or

Number of

Shares

12/9/95 12/9/04 Class A Common 8,100	D	
5/12/98 5/11/07 Class A Common 1,900	D	
5/13/00 5/12/09 Class A Common 2,000	D	
5/18/01 5/17/10 Class A Common 5,000	D	
5/10/02 5/9/11 Class A Common 5,000	D	
5/9/03 5/8/12 Class A Common 5,000	D	
** Class A Common 89.46* 7 D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

/s/ M. Denise Kuprionis, Attorney-in-fact for Nicholas B. Paumgarten 4/1/2003

<sup>\*-</sup>Pursuant to the company's 1997 Deferred Compensation and Stock Plan for Directors, directors may defer fees into a phantom stock fund. Under this plan, fees are converted quarterly into phantom shares at the fair market value of the company's Class A Common shares on the last trading day of each quarter. Upon retirement as a director, the balance may be paid in either shares or cash. The 3/31/03 balance is 2,758.67.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a). Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.