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Form 8-K  
March 23, 2004  
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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) March 23, 2004**

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**THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Commission File Number 0-16914**

**Ohio**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**31-1223339**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

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312 Walnut Street

Cincinnati, Ohio  
(Address of principal executive offices)

45202  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 977-3000

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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The following table provides additional information regarding fees paid to Deloitte & Touche under the heading Audit Fees in the Report of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors included in our Definitive Proxy Statement ( Proxy Statement ). The Proxy Statement was filed on March 15, 2004.

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>
<b>Tax Compliance and Preparation:</b>		
Amended returns, claims for refunds and tax payment-planning	\$ 516,460	\$ 1,398,209
Employee benefit plans	13,375	1,600
<b>Other tax-related fees:</b>		
Tax consultation and planning	132,475	87,900
Other	115,545	15,800
<b>Total tax fees</b>	<u>\$ 791,320</u>	<u>\$ 1,503,509</u>

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

BY: /s/ Joseph G. NeCastro

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Joseph G. NeCastro  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: March 23, 2004