

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>WOLFZORN E JOHN</b>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>SCRIPPS E W CO/DE [ SSP ]</b>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>VP &amp; Treasurer</b>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>05/21/2003</b>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

**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 Transaction(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	05/21/2003		M		2,000	A	34.5	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	05/21/2003		S		2,000	D	83.6575	650	D	
Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share	08/08/1988 <sup>(1)</sup>		P <sup>(1)</sup>		0 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

**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)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Option	34.5	01/10/1997		A			1	01/10/1998	01/09/2007	Class A Common	2,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	7	D	
Option	47.22	01/15/1998		A			1	01/15/1999	01/14/2008	Class A Common	5,200	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	7	D	
Option	47.31	01/19/1999		A			1	01/19/2000	01/18/2009	Class A Common	5,200	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	7	D	
Option	49	01/24/2000		A			1	01/24/2001	01/23/2010	Class A Common	5,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	7	D	
Option	64.25	01/25/2001		A			1	01/25/2002	01/24/2011	Class A Common	5,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	7	D	
Option	75.11	02/20/2002		A			1	02/20/2003	02/19/2012	Class A Common	7,500	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	7	D	
Option	79.97	02/26/2003		A			1	02/26/2004	02/25/2013	Class A Common	12,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	7	D	
Phantom Stock	75.74	03/31/2003		J			1	08/08/1988 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988 <sup>(2)</sup>	Class A Common	5.79 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	7	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- No transaction.
- Pursuant to the company's 1997 Deferred Compensation and Phantom Stock Plan for Senior Officers and Selected Executives, executives may defer all or a portion of the payments which become payable under the Annual Executive Bonus Plan into a phantom stock fund. Dividends are credited quarterly and converted into phantom shares. The balance at 3/31/03 was 2929.59.

/s/ M. Denise Kuprionis,  
Attorney-in-fact for E. John Wolfzorn      05/22/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person      Date

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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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