

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 12, 2006

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

0-16914
(Commission File Number)

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

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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Item 8.01 Other Events

On May 12, 2006, we released information regarding revenue for certain of our operating segments for the month and year-to-date periods ended April 30, 2006. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.

The discussion and the information contained in the press release contain certain forward-looking statements that are based on our current expectations. Forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, trends, and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements. Such risks, trends and uncertainties, which in most instances are beyond our control, include changes in advertising demand and other economic conditions; consumers' taste; newsprint prices; program costs; labor relations; technological developments; competitive pressures; interest rates; regulatory rulings; and reliance on third-party vendors for various products and services. The words "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "intend," and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements, which are as of the date of this filing, should be evaluated with the understanding of their inherent uncertainty. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date the statement is made.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99 Press release dated May 12, 2006.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

BY: /s/ Richard A. Boehne

Richard A. Boehne

Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

Dated: May 12, 2006

PRESS RELEASE**Scripps reports April revenue, statistics**

For immediate release
May 12, 2006

(NYSE: SSP)

CINCINNATI – The E. W. Scripps Company today reported April revenue and statistics for its Scripps Networks, newspaper and broadcast television station operating divisions.

At Scripps Networks revenue was up 18 percent to \$92.5 million in April compared with the same month a year ago.

April advertising revenue at Scripps Networks was up 16 percent and affiliate fee revenue increased 25 percent. Scripps Networks includes the company's portfolio of national cable and satellite television networks, including HGTV, Food Network, DIY Network, Fine Living and Great American Country (GAC).

HGTV and Food Network can be seen in about 90 million and 89 million U.S. television households, respectively. DIY Network reaches about 36 million households and Fine Living can be seen in about 37 million households. GAC reached 41 million U.S. households in April.

At the company's newspapers, total revenue was up 13 percent to \$66.0 million. Newspaper advertising revenue grew 14 percent during April. Newspaper revenue growth includes the effect of having five Sundays in the month compared with four in the same month a year ago.

Broken down by category, newspaper advertising revenue during the month was:

- Local, up 6.3 percent to \$14.4 million.
- Classified, up 17 percent to \$22.4 million.
- National, up 5.6 percent to \$3.4 million.
- Preprint, online and other, up 23 percent to \$13 million.

At the company's broadcast television stations, April revenue was up 8.7 percent to \$28.3 million. Broken down by category, broadcast television revenue was:

- Local, up 4.4 percent to \$17.4 million.
- National, up 6.5 percent to \$8.7 million.
- Political, \$1.3 million compared with \$100,000 in the year-ago period.

For competitive reasons, Scripps does not report monthly revenue and statistics for its interactive media division, which includes online search and price comparison services Shopzilla and uSwitch. The company reports revenue from the interactive media division on a quarterly basis.

About Scripps

The E.W. Scripps Company (NYSE: SSP) is a diverse and growing media enterprise with interests in national cable networks, newspaper publishing, broadcast television stations, electronic commerce, interactive media, and licensing and syndication.

The company's portfolio of media properties includes: **Scripps Networks**, with such brands as HGTV, Food Network, DIY Network, Fine Living, Great American Country and HGTVPro; **daily and community newspapers** in 18 markets and the Washington-based Scripps Media Center, home to the Scripps Howard News Service; 10 **broadcast TV stations**, including six ABC-affiliated stations, three NBC affiliates and one independent; leading online search and comparison shopping services, **Shopzilla** and **uSwitch**; and **United Media**, a leading worldwide licensing and syndication company that is the home of PEANUTS, DILBERT and approximately 150 other features and comics; and **Shop At Home**, which markets a growing range of consumer goods directly to television viewers in roughly 57 million U.S. households and online through shopathometv.com.

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REVENUE AND STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR SELECTED OPERATING SEGMENTS

<i>(amounts in millions, unless otherwise noted)</i>	April			Year-to-date		
	2006	2005	%	2006	2005	%
SCRIPPS NETWORKS						
Operating Revenues						
Advertising	\$ 75.9	\$ 65.2	16.4%	\$ 262.7	\$ 224.7	16.9%
Affiliate fees, net	15.9	12.7	25.2%	64.1	54.6	17.4%
Other	0.8	0.9	(10.9)%	3.2	2.1	57.5%
Scripps Networks	<u>\$ 92.5</u>	<u>\$ 78.7</u>	<u>17.5%</u>	<u>\$ 330.1</u>	<u>\$ 281.4</u>	<u>17.3%</u>
Subscribers (1)						
HGTV				89.6	88.3	1.5%
Food Network				89.1	87.2	2.2%
Great American Country				<u>40.9</u>	<u>37.7</u>	<u>8.5%</u>
NEWSPAPERS (2, 3)						
Operating Revenues						
Local	\$ 14.4	\$ 13.6	6.3%	\$ 55.3	\$ 54.1	2.2%
Classified	22.4	19.1	16.9%	84.0	74.8	12.3%
National	3.4	3.2	5.6%	13.1	13.4	(2.6)%
Preprints, online and other	13.0	10.6	23.1%	48.5	42.9	13.2%
Newspaper advertising	53.2	46.5	14.4%	200.9	185.2	8.5%
Circulation	11.0	10.6	4.3%	43.3	43.7	(0.8)%
Other	1.8	1.7	9.7%	6.0	5.6	6.2%
Newspapers managed solely by us	<u>\$ 66.0</u>	<u>\$ 58.7</u>	<u>12.5%</u>	<u>\$ 250.2</u>	<u>\$ 234.5</u>	<u>6.7%</u>
Ad inches (excluding JOAs) (in thousands)						
Local	468	467	0.4%	1,838	1,855	(0.9)%
Classified	888	772	15.0%	3,295	2,948	11.8%
National	81	92	(12.2)%	338	372	(9.0)%
Full run ROP	<u>1,437</u>	<u>1,331</u>	<u>8.0%</u>	<u>5,472</u>	<u>5,175</u>	<u>5.7%</u>
BROADCAST TELEVISION						
Operating Revenues						
Local	\$ 17.4	\$ 16.7	4.4%	\$ 70.8	\$ 61.6	15.0%
National	8.7	8.2	6.5%	35.3	31.7	11.6%
Political	1.3	0.1		2.3	0.1	
Other	0.8	1.1	(23.3)%	3.6	4.9	(26.9)%
Broadcast Television	<u>\$ 28.3</u>	<u>\$ 26.0</u>	<u>8.7%</u>	<u>\$ 112.1</u>	<u>\$ 98.3</u>	<u>14.0%</u>

(1) Subscriber counts are according to the Nielsen Homevideo Index of homes that receive cable networks.

- (2) On February 1, 2006, we contributed the Boulder Daily Camera, the Colorado Daily and the twice-weekly Broomfield Enterprise in exchange for a 50% interest in a partnership we jointly operate with MediaNews Group Inc. To enhance comparability the reported revenues do not include operating revenues of these newspapers prior to the formation of the partnership. Our 50% share of the operating profit (loss) of the partnership is reported as "Equity in earnings of JOAs and other joint ventures" in our financial statements.
- (3) April 2006 had 5 Sundays, versus 4 Sundays in 2005.