### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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): February 6, 2003

GANNETT CO., INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware1-696116-0442930State or other jurisdiction(Commission file number)(IRS employerjurisdiction of incorporationidentification number)

7950 Jones Branch Drive, McLean, VA22107-0910(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 703-854-6000.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On February 6, 2003, Gannett Co., Inc. announced its consolidated financial results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 29, 2002. A copy of the company's press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

#### 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.

Gannett Co., Inc.

Date: February 6, 2003

By:/s/George R. Gavagan

George R. Gavagan Vice President and Controller

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Exhibit Description

99.1 Gannett Co., Inc. Press Release dated February 6, 2003

Gannett Co., Inc. Reports Fourth Quarter And 2002 Full-Year Results

McLEAN, VA Gannett Co., Inc. (NYSE: GCI) reported today that 2002 fourth quarter earnings per diluted share, on a GAAP (generally accepted accounting principles) basis, were \$1.29 versus 93 cents per share for the fourth quarter of 2001, a 39 percent increase. For the full year 2002, diluted earnings per share, on a GAAP basis, were \$4.31, a 38 percent increase over the \$3.12 for 2001.

Net income increased 40 percent to \$347 million in the fourth quarter of 2002 versus \$248.4 million in the same quarter of last year. Operating cash flow (defined as operating income plus depreciation and amortization) rose 14 percent to \$624.6 million in 2002's fourth quarter from \$547.3 million in the year earlier quarter, reflecting very strong television results and another quarter of improved newspaper performance. Total operating revenues for the company increased 7 percent to \$1.73 billion in the quarter from \$1.61 billion in the similar interval in 2001. For the full year net income rose 40 percent to \$1.16 billion from \$831.2 million in 2001. Operating cash flow rose 6 percent to \$2.1 billion from \$2.0 billion in 2001. Operating revenues increased 2 percent to \$6.42 billion for the year.

If SFAS No. 142 (which changes the accounting rules for goodwill and intangible assets) had been in effect for all of 2001, defined as "comparable basis," earnings per diluted share would have increased 13 percent for the quarter from \$1.14 in 2001 to \$1.29 in 2002. For the full year, earnings per diluted share would have risen 10 percent to \$4.31 from \$3.92. On a comparable basis, operating income for the fourth quarter would have been up 14 percent from last year's \$498.3 million. Net income would have increased 14 percent from \$305.5 million to \$347 million in the fourth quarter and 11 percent, from \$1 billion to \$1.2 billion, for the full year on a comparable basis. Included in the press release are "comparable basis" schedules detailing fourth quarter and full year results for 2001 as if SFAS No. 142 had been adopted at the beginning of 2001.

Average diluted shares outstanding in the fourth quarter totaled 269,799,000 compared with 267,352,000 in 2001's fourth quarter. Average diluted shares outstanding for all of 2002 were 269,286,000 versus 266,833,000 in 2001.

Commenting on the company's performance, Douglas H. McCorkindale, Chairman, President and CEO, said: "We are very pleased to report another quarter of strong year-over-year earnings growth led by robust television results and another solid performance by our newspaper operations. Our television properties achieved strong year-over-year gains propelled by record political advertising spending and a continued favorable advertising environment for our highly rated television stations. Our newspaper operations reported their best quarter of revenue and operating cash flow gains all year. Newsprint expense declined 13 percent for the quarter. In the UK, our Newsquest properties achieved their strongest advertising revenue gains all year in the fourth quarter and made a strong contribution to earnings."

#### NEWSPAPERS

Total newspaper segment operating cash flow increased 8 percent to \$506.3 million in the fourth quarter, versus \$468.8 million in the same quarter of 2001. Operating revenues were \$1.5 billion for the quarter. Assuming Gannett had owned the same group of newspapers in both the fourth quarter of this year and last year, advertising revenues would have risen 4 percent. On the same basis, local advertising revenues were 3 percent higher, classified increased 6 percent and national revenues rose 5 percent. Newspaper ad volume increased 4 percent. Reported newsprint expense declined in the quarter, reflecting substantially lower year-over-year prices but a small uptick in consumption.

At USA TODAY, advertising revenues increased 2 percent in the

fourth quarter, the first year-over-year gain in advertising revenues since the fourth quarter of 2000. Paid advertising pages totaled 1,438 compared with 1,512 in the same quarter of 2001. For the full year, USA TODAY's advertising revenues declined 6 percent to \$314 million and paid pages totaled 4,869, an 11 percent decline.

## TELEVISION

In the fourth quarter of 2002, television operating cash flow jumped 41 percent to \$128.7 million from \$91.2 million in the year earlier quarter. Television revenues rose 27 percent to \$228.8 million reflecting record political advertising and solid growth in other categories.

At the end of the year, Gannett had more than 100 domestic publishing Web sites, including USATODAY.com, one of the most popular newspaper sites on the Web. The company also had Web sites in all of its 19 television markets. In December, Gannett's consolidated domestic Internet audience share was 11.8 million unique visitors reaching about 9 percent of the Internet audience according to Nielsen//Net Ratings. Newsquest is also an Internet leader in the United Kingdom where its network of Web sites attracts more than 14.3 million monthly page impressions from more than 1.1 million unique users. For the year, the company generated approximately \$91 million of revenues from Internet activities, about a 27 percent increase over last year.

All references in this release to "comparable" financial results and "operating cash flow" are to non-GAAP financial measures. Management believes that this use allows management and investors to analyze and compare the Company's results in a more meaningful and consistent manner.

Gannett Co., Inc. is a leading international news and information company that publishes 94 daily newspapers in the USA, including USA TODAY, the nation's largest-selling daily newspaper. The company also owns in excess of 400 non-daily publications in the USA and USA WEEKEND, a weekly newspaper magazine. Gannett subsidiary Newsquest is the United Kingdom's second largest regional newspaper company. Newsquest publishes more than 300 titles, including 15 daily newspapers, and a network of prizewinning Web sites. Gannett also operates 22 television stations in the United States and is an Internet leader with sites sponsored by most of its TV stations and newspapers including USATODAY.com, one of the most popular news sites on the web.

Certain statements in this press release may be forward looking in nature or "forward looking statements" as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The forward looking statements contained in this press release are subject to a number of risks, trends and uncertainties that could cause actual performance to differ materially from these forward looking statements. A number of those risks, trends and uncertainties are discussed in the company's SEC reports, including the company's annual report on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q. Any forward looking statements in this press release should be evaluated in light of these important risk factors.

Gannett is not responsible for updating the information contained in this press release beyond the published date, or for changes made to this press release by wire services, Internet service providers or other media.

For investor inquiries, contact:

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME Gannett Co., Inc. and Subsidiaries Unaudited, in thousands of dollars (except per share amounts)

Not Operating Devenues		weeks ended Dec. 30, 2001	% Inc (Dec)
Net Operating Revenues: Newspaper advertising Newspaper circulation Television Other	\$ 1,100,021 296,192 228,779 101,230	\$ 1,052,895 296,959 180,118 83,185	4.5 (0.3) 27.0 21.7
Total	1,726,222	1,613,157	7.0
Operating Expenses: Cost of sales and operating expenses, exclusive of depreciation		820,765	2.2
Selling, general and administrative expenses, exclusive of depreciation Depreciation	262,893 53,814	245,102 47,200	7.3 14.0
Amortization of intangible assets	1,830	61,254	
Total	1,157,287	1,174,321	(1.5)
Operating income	568,935	438,836	29.6
Non-operating income (expense):			
Interest expense Other	(36,795) (7,034)	1,110	(733.7)
Total	(43,829)	(29,974)	46.2
Income before income taxes Provision for income taxes	525,106 178,100	408,862 160,500	28.4 11.0
Net income	\$	\$ 248,362	39.7
Net income per share-basic	\$1.30 =====	\$0.94 =====	38.3 ======
Net income per share-dilute	d \$1.29	\$0.93	38.7
Dividends per share	===== \$0.24 =====	===== \$0.23 =====	====== 4.3 ======

Note: Certain immaterial charges relating to sales promotions have been reclassified from cost of sales and operating expenses to a reduction of circulation revenue; the reclassification had no effect on operating income or net income.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

Gannett Co., Inc. and Subsidiaries Unaudited, in thousands of dollars (except per share amounts)

Net Operating Revenues:	Fifty-two Dec. 29, 2002	weeks ended Dec. 30, 2001	% Inc (Dec)
Newspaper advertising Newspaper circulation Television Other	<pre>\$ 4,122,685 1,182,103 771,303 346,158</pre>	\$ 4,119,773 1,188,467 662,652 328,714	0.1 (0.5) 16.4 5.3
Total	6,422,249	6,299,606	1.9
Operating Expenses: Cost of sales and operating expenses, exclusive of depreciation Selling, general and		3, 275, 522	
administrative expenses, exclusive of depreciation Depreciation Amortization of intangible	1,019,493 215,117	990,472 202,456	
assets	7,327	241,321	(97.0)
Total	4,495,940	4,709,771	(4.5)
Operating income	1,926,309	1,589,835	21.2
Non-operating income (expense):			
Interest expense Other	(146,359) (15,422)	2,616	(34.0) (689.5)
Total	(161,781)	(219,238)	(26.2)
Income before income taxes Provision for income taxes	1,764,528 604,400	1,370,597 539,400	28.7 12.1
Net income	\$ 1,160,128	\$ 831,197	39.6
Net income per share-basic	\$4.35 =====	\$3.14 =====	38.5 ======
Net income per share-dilute	ed \$4.31	\$3.12	38.1
Dividends per share	===== \$0.94 =====	===== \$0.90 =====	====== 4.4 ======

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# BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION Gannett Co., Inc. and Subsidiaries Unaudited, in thousands of dollars

	Dec			ended . 30, 2001	% Inc (Dec)
Net Operating Revenues: Newspaper publishing Television		1,497,443 228,779		1,433,039 180,118	4.5 27.0
Total	\$		\$	1,613,157	7.0
Operating Income (net of depreciation and amortization): Newspaper publishing		461,438		379,483	21.6
Television Corporate		122,394 (14,897)		74,771 (15,418)	63.7 3.4
Total	\$	568,935	\$	438,836	29.6 ======
Depreciation and Amortization:					
Newspaper publishing Television Corporate	\$	44,867 6,281 4,496	\$	89,363 16,458 2,633	(49.8) (61.8) 70.8
Total		55,644		108,454	(48.7)
Operating Cash Flow (1): Newspaper publishing Television Corporate		506,305 128,675 (10,401)	\$	468,846 91,229 (12,785)	8.0 41.0 18.6
Total	\$	624,579	-	547,290	14.1
After-tax Cash Flow (2): Total	\$	402,650	\$		12.8 ======

- (1) Operating Cash Flow represents operating income for each of the company's business segments plus related depreciation and amortization expense.
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# BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION Gannett Co., Inc. and Subsidiaries Unaudited, in thousands of dollars

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Net Operating Revenues: Newspaper publishing Television	5,650,946 771,303	\$    5,636,954 662,652	0.2 16.4
Total	6,422,249		1.9
Operating Income (net of depreciation and amortization): Newspaper publishing Television Corporate	5 1,615,664 371,132 (60,487)	\$ 1,400,609 249,783 (60,557)	15.4 48.6 0.1
Total	1,926,309	\$ 1,589,835	21.2
Depreciation and Amortization: Newspaper publishing Television Corporate	181,669 25,429 15,346	\$ 369,044 67,639 7,094	(50.8) (62.4) 116.3
Total	222,444		(49.9)
Operating Cash Flow (1): Newspaper publishing Television Corporate	5 1,797,333 396,561 (45,141)	\$ 1,769,653 317,422 (53,463)	1.6 24.9 15.6
Total	2,148,753	\$ 2,033,612	5.7 ======
After-tax Cash Flow (2): Total	5 1,382,572 ========	\$ 1,274,974	8.4

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COMPARABLE BASIS CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (1) Gannett Co., Inc. and Subsidiaries Unaudited, in thousands of dollars (except per share amounts)

Not Operating Devenues	Thirteen w Dec. 29, 2002	weeks ended Dec. 30, 2001	% Inc (Dec)
Net Operating Revenues: Newspaper advertising Newspaper circulation Television Other	\$ 1,100,021 296,192 228,779 101,230	\$ 1,052,895 296,959 180,118 83,185	4.5 (0.3) 27.0 21.7
Total		1,613,157	7.0
Operating Expenses: Cost of sales and operating expenses, exclusive of depreciation Selling, general and	838,750	820,765	2.2
administrative expenses, exclusive of depreciation Depreciation Amortization of intangible	262,893 53,814	245,102 47,200	
assets	1,830	1,834	(0.2)
Total	1,157,287	1,114,901	3.8
Operating income	568,935	498,256	14.2
Non-operating income (expense):			
Interest expense Other	(36,795) (7,034)	(31,084) 1,110	
Total	(43,829)	(29,974)	
Income before income taxes Provision for income taxes	525,106 178,100	468,282 162,800	12.1 9.4
Net income	\$	\$	13.6 ======
Net income per share-basic	\$1.30 =====	\$1.15 =====	13.0 ======
Net income per share-dilute	d \$1.29 =====	\$1.14 =====	13.2 ======
Dividends per share	\$0.24 =====	\$0.23 =====	4.3 ======

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exclusive of depreciation Depreciation		1,019,493 215,117	990,472 202,456	
Amortization of intangible assets		7,327		(0.1)
Total		4,495,940	4,475,783	0.5
Operating income		1,926,309	1,823,823	
Non-operating income (expense): Interest expense Other		(146,359) (15,422)	(221,854)	(34.0)
Total		(161,781)	(219,238)	(26.2)
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