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February 24, 2003

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): February 20, 2003

Commission File Number 1-14959

BRADY CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Wisconsin 39-0971239  
(State of Incorporation) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

6555 West Good Hope Road  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53223  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

(414) 358-6600  
(Registrant's Telephone Number)

Item 5. Other Events

On February 20, 2003, Brady Corporation issued a press release announcing the election of Frank M. Jaehnert as President and Chief Executive Officer, and Katherine M. Hudson as Chairman of the Board, effective April 1, 2003. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of Brady Corporation, dated February 20, 2003.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

BRADY CORPORATION

Date: February 21, 2003

/s/ Katherine M. Hudson

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Katherine M. Hudson  
President & Chief Executive Officer

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