UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND Washington, D.C. 20549	EXCHANGE COMMISS	ION								
FORM 4 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEF	ICIAL OWNERSHIP									
] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.  Name and Address of Reporting Person(s) West, David J 100 Crystal A Drive										
Hershey, Pennsylvania 170 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Hershey Foods Corporation 3. I.R.S. Identification Numb	Trading Symbol (HSY)	Person, if a	an entity	(Volu	ntary)					
<ol> <li>Statement for Month/Day/Ye 1/6/03</li> <li>If Amendment, Date of Orig 01/06/03</li> <li>Relationship of Reporting         [ ] Director         [X] Officer (give title be President, Sales</li> <li>Individual or Joint/Group         [X] Form filed by One Repo         [ ] Form filed by More tha</li> </ol>	inal (Month/Day/ Person(s) to Iss [] 10% Own low) [] Other ( Filing (Check Ap rting Person	uer (Check a er specify belo plicable Lir	ow) Senior	,						
Table I Non-Derivative Secu			, or Bene	ficia	lly Owned					
1)Title of Security		2)Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/Year)	3.Trans- action Code	or Beneficially Owned  3.Trans- 4.Securities Acquired(A) action or Disposed of (D) Code A or Code V Amount D Price		uired(A) D) Price	S)Amount of 6) 7)Nature o Securities Indirect Beneficially D Beneficial Owned at or Ownership End of Month I			
Common Stock Common Stock		01/02/03	J	9,39	2.0000 (1)D	\$67.65000	9,393.0000 116.6700	D Direct I 401(k) Plan		
Table II (PART 1) Derivative Owned (Columns 1 through 6)	Securities Acqui	red, Dispose	ed of, or	Benef	icially					
1)Title of Derivative 2)Conversion Security or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3)Trans- action Date	acti Code		5)Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		6)Date Exercisable and Expiration Date  Exercisable Expiration			

Table II (PART 2) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1,3 and 7 through 11)

1)Title of Derivative	3)Trans-	7)Title and Amount		8)Price	9)Number of	10)	11)Nature of
Security	action	of Underlying		of Deri-	Derivative		Indirect
	Date	Securities		vative	Securities	D	Beneficial
			Amount or	Security	Beneficially	or	Ownership
			Number of		Owned at	I	
-		Title	Shares		End of Month		

## Explanation of Responses:

(1) Settlement with the Corporation, in cash, of Restricted Stock Units granted under the Corporation's Key Employee Incentive Plan.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /S/ West, David J DATE 04/29/03