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July 17, 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): JULY 17, 2003

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

ILLINOIS  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

36-3873352  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

727 NORTH BANK LANE  
LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS 60045  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(847) 615-4096  
(Registrant's Telephone Number,  
Including Area Code)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On July 17, 2003, Wintrust Financial Corporation (the "Company") announced earnings for the second quarter of 2003. A copy of the press release relating to the Company's earnings results is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, and incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7(C). EXHIBITS.

Exhibit 99.1 2nd Quarter 2003 Earnings Release dated July 17, 2003.

ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Certain supplemental information relating to non-GAAP financial measures reported in the attached press release is included on page 9 of Exhibit 99.1.

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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.

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: July 17, 2003

/s/ David L. Stoehr

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Executive Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer

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