PEOPLES FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP/ Form 8-K October 23, 2003

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

# FORM 8-K

(X) CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report - October 23, 2003

PEOPLES FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

PENNSYLVANIA

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 000-23863 (Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

23-2931852

50 Main Street, Hallstead, PA 18822

(Address of Principal Executive Officer)

(570) 879-2175

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if changed since last report)

Item 1. <u>Changes in Control of Registrant</u> Not Applicable

- Item 2. <u>Acquisition or Disposition of Assets</u> Not Applicable
- Item 3. <u>Bankruptcy or Receivership</u> Not Applicable
- Item 4. <u>Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant</u> Not Applicable

# Item 5. <u>Other Events</u>

Registrant files this Current Report on Form 8K to submit a copy of Registrant's Press Release of Peoples Financial Services Corp., dated Ocotber 23, 2003, regarding third quarter earnings

## Item 6. <u>Resignations of Registrant's Directors</u> Not Applicable

- Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits
  - (a) Not Applicable.
  - (b) Not Applicable.
  - (c) Exhibit:
    - 99 Press Release of Peoples Financial Services Corp. dated October 23, 2003, regarding third quarter earnings announcement.
- Item 8. <u>Change in Fiscal Year</u> Not Applicable
- Item 9. <u>Regulation FD Disclosure</u>

Not Applicable

## 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, thereunto duly authorized.

## PEOPLES FINANCIAL SERVICES, CORP. (Registrant)

Dated October 23, 2003

/s/ Debra E. Dissinger By Debra E. Dissinger Executive Vice President EXHIBIT INDEX

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Exhibit

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Press Release of Peoples Financial Services Corp. dated October 23, 2003.

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### EXHIBIT 99

#### Peoples Financial Services Corp Announces 9 Month Earnings

Net income for the quarter ending September 30, 2003, was \$1,603,000 compared to \$1,502,000 in the same period in 2002. For the 9 month period, net income was \$4,175,000 vs. \$3,438,000 at September 30, 2002, an increase of over 21%.

Balance sheet highlights are as follows:

	9-30-03	9-30-02
Total Assets	365,311,000	344,299,000
Total Deposits	275,738,000	259,493,000
Total Loans	229,441,000	214,656,000

Peoples Financial Services Corp is the parent company of Peoples National Bank, an independent community bank with offices in the Hallstead Plaza, Hop Bottom, Susquehanna, and Montrose in Susquehanna County and in Nicholson, Tunkhannock, and Meshoppen in Wyoming County and Conklin, Broome County NY.

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements as that term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual results and trends could differ materially from those set forth in such statements due to various factors. Such factors include the possibility that increased demand for prices for the Company s financial services and products may not occur, changing economic, interest rate and competitive conditions, technological developments, and other risks and uncertainties including those detailed in the Company s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.