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January 29, 2004

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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): January 28, 2004

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware ----- | 1-15781 ----- | 04-3510455 ----- |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

24 North Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201

(Address of principal executive offices)

(413) 443-5601

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OTHER EXHIBITS

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release Dated January 28, 2004

ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATION AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On January 28, 2004, Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. announced: (1) its financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2003; (2) earnings guidance for the 2004 fiscal year; (3) the declaration of a quarterly dividend

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of \$0.12 per share; and (4) that its 2004 annual meeting of stockholders would be held on May 6, 2004. The press release containing these announcements is filed as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.

Dated: January 28, 2004

By: /s/ Wayne F. Patenaude

Wayne F. Patenaude
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer